

Health Science Career Cluster

The Health Science Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing therapeutic services, diagnostics services, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development. To pursue a career in the health science industry, students should learn to reason, think critically, make decisions, solve problems, communicate effectively, and work well with others.

Healthcare Therapeutic Statewide Program of Study



The Healthcare Therapeutic program of study introduces students to occupations and educational opportunities related to diagnosing and treating acute, episodic, or chronic illness independently or as part of a healthcare team. This program of study also includes an introduction to the opportunities associated with providing treatment and counsel to patients as well as rehabilitative programs that help build or restore daily living skills to persons with disabilities or developmental delays.

Sharyland ISD Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1

- Principles of Health Science [1 Credit]

Level 2

- Medical Terminology [1 Credit]
- Pharmacy I [1 Credit]

Level 3

- Anatomy and Physiology [1 Credit] **(Advanced Course)**
- Health Science Theory/Health Science Clinical [2 Credits] **(Advanced Course)**
- Medical Microbiology [1 Credit] **(Advanced Course)**

Level 4

- Pharmacology [1 Credit] **(Advanced Course)**

Postsecondary Opportunities

Associates Degrees

- Dental Hygienist
- Medical/Clinical Assistant

Bachelor's Degrees

- Dental Hygienist

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Dentist
- Physician Assistant
- Family and General Practitioners
- Pharmacist

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Exploration Activities

- Participate in SkillsUSA or Health Occupation Students of America

Work-Based Learning Activities

- Volunteer at a community wellness center, hospital, assisted living, or nursing home

Sharyland ISD Industry-Based Certifications

- Pharmacy Technician



Aligned Occupations

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
Medical Assistants	\$29,598	8,862	30%
Surgical Technologists	\$45,032	1,150	20%
Dental Hygienists	\$73,507	1,353	38%
Physicians and Surgeons	\$213,071	1,151	30%

Successful completion of the Healthcare Therapeutic program of study will fulfill requirements of a Public Service endorsement or STEM endorsement if the math and science requirements are met. Revised – March 2023

Healthcare Therapeutic Course Information

Level 1

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Principles of Health Science	13020200 (1 credit)	None	None

Level 2

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Medical Terminology	13020300 (1 credit)	None	None
Pharmacy I	N1302127 (1 credit)	None	None

Level 3

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Anatomy and Physiology	13020600 (1 credit)	One credit in Biology, one credit in Chemistry, Integrated Physics and Chemistry, or Physics.	None
Health Science Theory/ Health Science Clinical	13020410 (2 credits)	Biology	None
Medical Microbiology	13020700 (1 credit)	Biology and Chemistry	None

Level 4

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Pharmacology	13020950 (1 credit)	Biology and Chemistry	None

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE HEALTH SCIENCE CAREER CLUSTER,
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Your Junior High or High School Counselor

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