

Centennial High

Health Academy Pathway



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and Save a Life

Be part of the
Health Academy

Health

Academy:

Health Science Pathway

9th GRADE

- Introduction to Health Professions *
- Pre-AP Biology (suggested)
- Appropriate level Math, Language Arts, Social Studies & Electives

10th GRADE

- Medical Terminology *
- Law & Ethics for Health Professional *
- Pre-AP Chemistry (suggested)
- Appropriate level Math, Language Arts, Social Studies & Electives

11th GRADE

- Anatomy & Physiology Honors *
- Health Science Studies/Concurrent Enrollment *
- Appropriate level Math, Language Arts, Social Studies & Electives

12th GRADE

- Health Occupations Seminar with Internship *
- Health Science Studies/Concurrent Enrollment *
- AP Chemistry **OR** AP Biology **OR** Microbiology (suggested)
- Appropriate level Math, Language Arts, Social Studies & Electives

Pathway Completion *

What is the Health Academy Pathway?

The Health Academy is the premier pathway for challenging and facilitating high school students as they prepare for health career professions. The pathway provides students with opportunities for certification and post-secondary education in the health care industry in order to meet the growing need for healthcare professionals in Southern Colorado.

According to the projections from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, four of the five fastest growing occupations are in the field of health care. By 2014, statistics show an average increase of 40% in healthcare-related job opportunities. Our unique partnership with the Pueblo health care community, Pueblo City Schools, Pueblo Community College and Colorado State University-Pueblo has made the pathways successful.

The primary instructional site for the Health Academy is located at Centennial High School. The health science classes are occasionally held off campus at St. Mary Corwin Medical Center, Parkview Medical Center, and other local health care facilities. Students have the opportunity to shadow medical professionals or engage in mini-seminars at local hospitals, as well as taught by college instructors. The Health Academy strives to ensure students a smooth transition from high school into meaningful employment and/or further education.

12 Reasons Why You Should Consider Enrolling in the Health Academy

1. Increased opportunities to enroll in Centennial AP and STS courses
2. Flexible scheduling to include extra-curricular activities, such as sports and clubs
3. Smaller health science class sizes
4. Promotes early start on college classes, earning up to 30 PCC credits.
5. 11th & 12th grade courses offer opportunities to earn Health Science certificates:
 - * Nursing Assistant
 - * Phlebotomy Technician
 - * Pharmacy Technician
 - * Emergency Medical Responder
 - * Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
 - * Intro to Occupational Therapy
6. Shadow and volunteer experience in healthcare fields
7. Participate in an internship in your area of interest (12th grade year)
8. Become a HOSA member
9. Encourages Community Service / Volunteering
10. Pueblo City-County Disaster Drill spring participation
11. Friendly, focused learning community with fellow students working toward a common career field
12. Experienced, dedicated instructors

Admission Requirements

Admission to the Health Academy is open to students in Centennial High School who have an interest in a health-related career field.

Effective for the 2017-2018 school year, prospective ninth (9th) grade students must enroll at Centennial High School.

Interested students should be successful in science, language arts, and mathematics. Excellent attendance and good citizenship are also required to qualify for admission.

The required immunizations for entrance into the Academy are TB (Tuberculosis) Tetanus, MMR, and Hepatitis B-3. Also, the seasonal flu shot is mandatory due to the requirements of participating medical facilities.

Transportation must be provided daily by parents and/or students to all Academy sites.

Application Process

Applications are accepted through mid-April

Applications available at Centennial's office; or to print an application, go to sites.google.com/a/pueblocitieschools.us/health-academy/

For more information, call Health Academy office at 719-549-7632

Return the completed application to Centennial High School office by deadline. Please note space is limited.

Accepted applicants will be notified by phone in early May; otherwise, you will receive a letter informing you that your name has been placed on a waiting list.