

Veterinary Assistant

- **DESCRIPTION:**

In this career option, students will master the skills that employers need for a career as a Veterinary Assistant. Students will also learn Basic Life Support Healthcare Provider CPR/First Aid. Veterinary Assistants feed and bathe animals, administer medication as prescribed by the veterinarian and assist the veterinary team with animal nursing techniques. Students learn how to do basic office procedures and how to provide large and small animal care including how to perform diagnostic procedures. Upon completion of this career option, students have the experiences and skills necessary to become employed in a veterinary clinic or hospital. NWTC is accredited by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, The Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

- **CERTIFICATIONS/CREDENTIALS:**

- CPR
- First Aid
- WorkKeys Certifications

- **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Certified Veterinary Technician
- Emergency Veterinary Technician
- Veterinary Nurse
- Vet Tech
- Vet Lab Tech
- Vet Internal Medicine Technician

- **SALARY:** **NWOK(AVG.) \$34,740**

By utilizing the SOC Code: 31-9096 for Veterinary Assistants at www.onetonline.org additional information including working conditions, physical requirements, knowledge skills and salary range can be found. Including related occupations, program costs, length, on-time completion/graduation rates, job placement rates, and median loan debt is available at <http://www.nwtech.edu/gainful-employment/>.

- **COST OF ATTENDANCE:**

High School In-District Students- No Tuition Charge

Adult In-District (Full Time)	\$1050
Adult Out-of-District (Full Time)	\$2100
Book/Material Use Fee	\$262.50

This career option is not eligible for Federal Financial Assistance. Testing and certification fees may apply. This career option is for high school juniors and seniors only.

More information on tuition, fees, estimated cost of attendance, estimated living expenses and financial aid for adult students can be found at <https://nwtech.edu/student-services/financial-aid-tuition/>.

- **COURSE INFORMATION** 525 Hours

Health Careers Curriculum	225 Hrs.
Vet Medical Terminology	40 Hrs.
Anatomy and Physiology	120 Hrs.
Vet Office Management Procedures	10 Hrs.
Large and Small Animal Medicine	15 Hrs.
Large and Small Animal Care	15 Hrs.
Diagnostic Procedures for Vet Asst.	15 Hrs.
Surgical Procedures for Vet Asst.	30 Hrs.
Routine Duties in a Vet Clinic	20 Hrs.
Principles of Pharmacology-Vet Asst.	15 Hrs.

High school students may earn high school science credit upon successful completion of the Anatomy and Physiology course.

- **INSTRUCTOR:**

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- **SCHEDULES AVAILABLE:**

8:20 am - 11:20 am
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Full-time adult students attend both sessions.

- **APPLICATION & ADMISSIONS:**

Complete an application at <https://nwtech.edu/student-services/enrollment-processes/>. For Admission Questions or To Schedule a Visit: Call NWTC at 580.227.3708. Financial assistance is available to adult students who qualify. ID=In-District; OD=Out-of-District

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