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## **BASIC DENTAL ASSISTING**

Dental Assistants are trained to sit with the dentist to work on and assist the dentist with live patients. During the course of this special industry program, you will learn the basic principles of dental instruments, dental materials, and office procedures. You will also learn what is expected of a dental assistant. TCAT Pulaski strives to provide technical instruction and skill development to enable our students to become successful dental assistants. Upon successful completion of this special industry program, our students will receive a Basic Dental Assistant certificate. As a registered dental assisting program through the Tennessee Board of Dentistry, students successfully completing are eligible to apply to become a Registered Dental Assistant. This unique learning experience allows our students to also obtain interpersonal skills essential for career success and advancement.

#### **Employment Opportunities:**

- Dental Offices
- Hospitals

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	ENROLLMENT INFORMATION	
Program Length:		175 hours (roughly 7-8 months) 5:30 pm-8:30 pm; MonWed. and TuesThurs.
Program Location:		<b>Pulaski Campus</b> 1233 East College Street, Pulaski, TN 38478
Program including Fees plus Books/Su	Tuition,	\$930.00.00 - tuition; \$465 per trimester \$ 202.00 Books/Supplies, \$27-CPR; \$20-Liability Insurance; \$35.12-Graduation (optional) Academic fee-\$100 (first trimester only). Total Cost \$1,314.12* *These costs are subject to change.
Requirem	ients:	Complete the Admissions Process Checklist
Financial	Aid:	Eligible for TN state aid (i.e., Wilder-Naifeh/Lottery, TN, TN Promise, TN Reconnect. Not eligible for Title IV federal financial aid (i.e., Pell Grant) Other aid sources possibly available.

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#### Career Training

Administrative Office Technology Advanced Manufacturing Education **Basic Dental Assisting Building Construction Technology CNC** Machining Technology **Computer Operating Systems and Network Technology Criminal Justice: Correctional** Officer **Electrical and Plumbing Construction Technology** Heating, Ventilation, Air **Conditioning and Refrigeration Industrial Electricity** Industrial Maintenance Technology Patient Care Technology/Medical Assisting Pharmacy Technology **Practical Nursing Residential/Commercial Wiring** Plumbing Welding Technology

### Training Locations

Main Campus (Pulaski, TN) Lawrence County Instructional Service Center Lawrenceburg Instructional Service Center North Lawrence Instructional Service Center South Lawrence Instructional Service Center

# **Basic Dental Assisting COURSE OUTLINE**

Worker Characteristic	6 Hours
Professional Orientation	6 Hours
Dentistry Science	21 Hours
Oral Health	15 Hours
Infection Prevention	12 Hours
Health & Safety	9 Hours
Patient Information	19 Hours
Worker Characteristic	6 Hours
Clinical Dentistry	16 Hours
Radiographic Imaging	17 Hours
Dental Materials	12 Hours
Dental Care Assisting	31 Hours
Dental Admin & Communication	5 Hours
Basic Dental Assistant Certificate	175 Hours