Program Strand: Veterinary Assisting Technology

Students who choose a career in Veterinary Assisting Technology have formal training and appropriate experience to perform various medical tests along with treating and diagnosing medical conditions and diseases in animals; prepare samples for laboratory examinations; and record information on an animal's genealogy, diet, weight, medications, food intake, and clinical signs of pain and distress

Secondary Career Academy Development Timetable Academy classes are listed in bold type.

| Pre-Academy Grades 6 – 8 | Grade 9 | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
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| 6 th grade—Middle Moves 7 th grade—Career Preparation Requirement 8 th grade—Transition Tools | English I | English II | English III | English IV |
| | Algebra or higher | Geometry or higher | Algebra II or higher | Pre-calculus or Other Mathematics Course |
| | Earth & Space Science or Biology | Biology or Chemistry | Chemistry or Physics or Physical Science | Science Elective or Other Elective |
| Introduction to Agriscience 810012002 Orientation to Agriscience 810011011 Exploration of Agriscience 810021002 | World History | Elective | American History | American Government / Economics |
| | 9 th Grade Transition | Foreign Language or Other Elective | Foreign Language or Other Elective | Foreign Language or Other Elective |
| | Veterinary Assisting 811151001 | Veterinary Assisting 2 811154001 | Veterinary Assisting 3 811155001 | Veterinary Assisting 4 811152001 |
| | Elective | Elective | Elective | Elective |
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Suggested Electives:

 Students may in their Junior or Senior year opt to participate in the Career Experience Opportunity (CEO) internship program using the following course numbers: Workplace Essentials – 83003101A (Honors .5) and CEO internship – 0500330CE (Honors .5).

- Students may complete more than one program within the Academy of Veterinary Science providing courses are offered at the school site.
- In addition, students can choose to enroll in Advanced Concepts of Agriscience, Agricultural Education Directed Study, Agricultural Education Directed Study, A.P. Environmental Science classes to enhance their marketability.

To find a Miami-Dade County Public High School with this Program Strand, please link to http://ssr.dadeschools.net/acad_tally_schls.pdf.

| Internship Opportunities | Student Organizations / Clubs Earn Upon Completion | |
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| Scientific Research Internship (Univ of FI. Tropical Research Education Center; USDA Chapman Field Research Facility) Local Veterinary Offices School-Based Enterprise Service Learning Dual Enrollment (MDC, FIU) Cooperative Education Job Shadowing Portal to CEO | The National FFA Organization Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition Agriculture Ambassadors Program United States Department of Agriculture – Ambassador Program 4-H Club | Industry Title & FLDOE OCP's correlated to the individual areas. For more information on the Florida Department of Education Bright Futures Scholarship Programs: Florida Academic Scholars Award (FAS), Florida Medallion Scholars Award (FMS), and Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars Award (GSV) please contact a guidance counselor or visit: http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/factsheets/BF.htm. For more information on advanced standing at local public and private post secondary institutions as established per articulation agreements please contact a guidance counselor |

POSTSECONDARY OPTIONS

| Certification Programs | Community College (A.A./A.S.) or Proprietary Programs | Four-Year College and University Programs | Other |
|---|---|---|---|
| Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician Laboratory Animal Technician Laboratory Animal Technologist American Association for Laboratory Animal Science Certification <u>American Association for Laboratory</u> <u>Animal Science Certifications</u> | Animal Science Veterinary Technician Animal Science: Equine Journalism (Livestock Publications) Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Animal Science Program Santa Fe Community College Zoology Program Miami Dade College Agricultural Programs | Animal Science Animal Science and Management Pre-Veterinary Science Animal Production/Management Veterinary Technologist Animal Industries | University of Florida College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Agricultural Programs |

CAREER OPTIONS

| Entry Level | | After Post-Secondary Education | |
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| Veterinary Technician Animal Breeder Animal Caretaker Veterinary Technologist | Veterinary Assistant Independent Business Owner Animal Technician Kennel attendants | Veterinarian Food Research and Development Meat Production Supervisor Food Industry Quality Control | Animal Control Officer Animal Agribusiness Animal Scientist Veterinary Pharmaceuticals |