

PROGRAM: **Dental Assisting**
(standards to be developed)

**PROGRAM
CIP CODE:** **51.0600**

DESCRIPTION: The **Dental Assisting** program prepares students to perform technical services involved with planning, organizing, researching, directing and controlling functions and processes related to the provision of medical assisting healthcare services - both front office and clinical responsibilities. An integrated approach to teaching and learning is provided as students develop interpersonal relations, career development skills and technical knowledge and skills associated with a dental assistant. Students completing this program will be prepared to participate in teams, solve problems, think critically, and implement effective solutions. The program will be designed and delivered as a coherent sequence of experiences using technical instruction, experiential learning, supervised clinical experience, and leadership and personal development through the career and technical student organization, HOSA.

RECOMMENDED PROGRAM SEQUENCE OF COURSES:

**Career
Preparation** The following describes the recommended sequence of courses yet to be developed that will be necessary for initial employment or continued related education.

51.0600.10 **Fundamentals of Dental Assisting:** This course prepares students to apply academic, technical knowledge and skills of the Dental Assistant in a clinical or dental office setting or to continue into postsecondary education.

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51.0600.20 **Dental Assisting - Advanced Applications:** This course prepares students to apply academic, technical knowledge and skills of the Dental Assistant in a clinical or dental office setting or to continue into postsecondary education.

And program may elect to add:

51.0600.75 **Dental Assisting - Internship:** This course provides students an opportunity to apply previously developed knowledge and skill into a structured work experience within the specific option they have studied. This work experience doesn't necessarily require classroom instruction, may be paid or unpaid, and is available for 12th graders.

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51.0600.80 **Dental Assisting - Cooperative Education:** This course utilizes cooperative education methodology to combine school-based and supervised work-based learning identified for students within the specific program they have studied.

TEACHER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAM
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CAREER PREPARATION: The instructor must be CTE certified according to the following table

Dental Assisting	CERTIFICATES
	Types: PCTHC, SCTHC
Note:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dental Assisting, 51.0600.70 may be a part of the sequence and the teacher must hold a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN). ▪ Teacher/Coordinator 51.0600.75 is not required to have a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN). ▪ Teacher/Coordinator 51.0600.80 is required to have a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN). 	

CERTIFICATE ABBREVIATIONS FOR THE DENTAL ASSISTING PROGRAM

Certificate Types	
PCTHC	Provisional Career and Technical Education Health Careers
SCTHC	Standard Career and Technical Education Health Careers