Introduction to Health Occupations

Course Description:
This is an exploratory course exposing the student to health career destinations in therapeutic, diagnostic, informational, and environmental fields. This course will also provide students with the background knowledge needed to continue successfully on their educational path as health care professionals. Integrated theoretical concepts, skills and attitudes are integrated throughout the course, helping the students to become successful in gaining employment and/or continuing their education.

Successful students may progress to Nursing Assistant, New Visions in Healthcare, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) (if available), or Licensed Practical Nursing 1 (PN 1).

Course Highlights:
- Overview of the Healthcare Industry
- Career Awareness and Exploration
- Medical Terminology
- Communications in Healthcare
- Patient and Employee Safety
- Legal and Ethical Responsibilities
- Infection Control
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Growth and Development
- Nutrition
- Wellness and Healthy Life Practices
- First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification
- On-site Field Observations (locations vary.)
  (Examples: nursing homes, laboratories, emergency medical services, physical therapy office, veterinary facility etc.)

Possible Career Pathways:
- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- Registered Nurse (RN)
- Home Healthcare Aide
- Laboratory Assistant
- Physician’s Assistant
- Physical Therapy Aide
- Respiratory Aide
- Radiological Technician
- Medical Technician
- Medical Coding
- Medical Secretary
- Dental Assistant

Quick Reference Guide:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Approved for CTE Diploma Endorsement</th>
<th>N/A</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Program Credits</td>
<td>4 per year</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Integrated Academic Credits</td>
<td>CTE English</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Specialized Academic Credits</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>National Competency Exam</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Work Based Learning</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Articulations</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transcript Credits Available</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pull-Out Academics Available</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For additional information, please see your Guidance Counselor or check out our website at www.dcboces.org/CTI

5 BOCES Road • Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 • 845.486.8001

Revised 11/09