

Academic Year

The dental assisting program is nine months in length. Classes are regularly scheduled Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 2:45 PM. Clinical externship components are scheduled with consideration for optimal learning experiences, therefore, hours will vary. Students enter the program in early September and graduation takes place during mid-June.

Admissions

The admissions policy assures all candidates that applications will be reviewed and notification made as soon as all required information is received. Applicants are evaluated on the basis of their past academic performance and their potential for further learning.

Cost of Attendance

In-District Tuition: \$1,500.00
Out-of-District Tuition: \$3,000.00

*Rates are per year plus books, uniforms, and fees and are subject to change.

Financial Aid

All students are encouraged to apply for financial aid to help with the cost of higher education by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Our federal school code is 015637. McCann participates in the Federal Pell Grant Program and the MASSGrant Program. All programs are approved for veteran's assistance as provided for by the G.I. Bill.



Our Goal is *Your Success*



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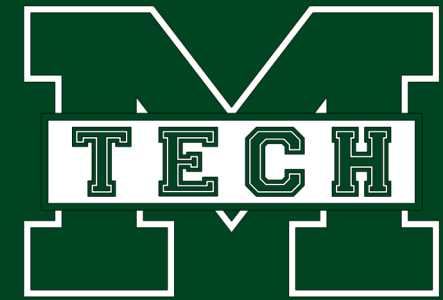
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McCann Technical School Dental Assisting Program



Application packets are available by:

Phone: (413) 663-5383, ext. 181
Email: vtarsa@mccanntech.org

Or by making a written request to:

McCann Technical School
Dental Assisting Program
Attn.: Victoria Tarsa, Administrative Assistant
70 Hodges Cross Road
North Adams, MA 01247

Dental assistants perform a wide variety of tasks such as taking x-rays, preparing equipment, instruments and materials, assisting the dentist in dental procedures, providing oral care instructions to patients, taking impressions of patient's teeth and performing office administration tasks.

Job Outlook*

11% growth in demand for dental assistants projected from 2024 to 2030.

Job Opportunities

Dental Assistant, Specialty Assistant

Skills needed to succeed include physical strength, critical thinking, concentration, and hand/eye coordination.

Dental assistants need organization and communication skills, manual dexterity, and must be conscientious and orderly.

*US. Bureau of Labor Statistics



The dental assistant curriculum provides instruction in chairside assisting procedures, dental materials, infection control, radiology, medical emergencies and clinical rotations in area dental offices.

The Dental Assisting National Board is the nationally recognized premier certification and credentialing agency for dental assistants. The DANB examinations are required or recognized as meeting regulatory requirements in more than thirty states.

In addition, the program has an articulation agreement with Berkshire Community College where graduates may receive 32 credits toward an Associate Degree in Health Science.

The McCann Technical School Dental Assisting program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) of the American Dental Association (ADA) and the Council on Occupational Education (COE).

Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association
211 East Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611-2678
(800) 621-8099

Council on Occupational Education
7840 Roswell Road
Building 300, Suite 325
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Testimonial

“At the age of 45, I made the decision to change my life and make a career change. Having been a hairstylist for over 25 years, I was wanting more. Attending the dental assisting postsecondary program at McCann, although challenging at times, has done so much more for me than just a career change. It has given me a sense of accomplishment and I have gained confidence I never knew I had. I love my new career and my only regret is that I did not do it sooner in life. I hope I can inspire someone, no matter their age, to attend this course.”

Jennifer Boucher, Class of 2017

