

Dental Careers

Chantilly Academy

Course Description

The two year Dental Careers program introduces students to all careers in dentistry. The program's academic content includes general health occupation topics as well as a general overview of specific dental topics. In addition, students learn clinical skills necessary to perform as a dental assistant. The skills are practiced in a simulated office setting. Second year students are certified in radiology and participate in an internship.

Curriculum

- Introduction to all dental careers
- Head and neck anatomy
- Infection control
- Tooth numbering and charting
- Instrumentation
- Oral Health Education
- Dental specialties of oral surgery, orthodontics and periodontics and endodontics
- Participate in patient care at local dental offices
- Dental radiology

Prerequisites

- Strong science background, human relation skills and manual dexterity
- Lab coats must be purchased
- Membership in H.O.S.A.

Internships

Second year students must purchase liability insurance and if desired, receive a Hepatitis B vaccine prior to the clinical internship. During the internship, students are responsible for their own transportation to the assigned clinical facility.

Program Features

- Participation in Community Health Events
- Health Occupation Student Association (HOSA) skills competition

Certifications

Dental Radiology Certification

Colleges/Universities

Academy graduates interested in Dental Careers can continue their studies at a large variety of schools. A sample of programs includes:

- Virginia Commonwealth University/Medical College of Virginia
- Old Dominion University
- University of Maryland – Baltimore Campus
- Northern Virginia Community College
- Huntington Junior College
- Howard University
- Allegany College
- Lord Fairfax Community College
- University of Pittsburgh
- Pennsylvania College of Technology

Careers

The study of Dental Careers may lead to these careers:

- Dentist
- Dental Hygienist
- Dental Assistant
- Dental Lab Technician
- Dental Office Manager
- Dental Receptionist
- Dental Sales
- Dental Insurance
- Orthodontist
- Oral Surgeon

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