

The faculty at Jefferson County-Dubois Area Vocational-Technical (JEFF TECH) School of Practical Nursing are eager to assist you with the opportunity to learn more about the program. The following is an explanation of the process that will be able to assist you with the application and admission process. If at any time you have questions, please feel free to email the faculty at [pn@jefftech.us](mailto:pn@jefftech.us) or call 814-653-8420.

The first step in the process is to fill out and application and email it to [pn@jefftech.us](mailto:pn@jefftech.us). We will then contact you to discuss possible dates for a pre-entrance exam called the ATI TEAS V Test. This aptitude test is required for entrance consideration into Practical Nursing Program at a cost of \$58 due at the time of the testing, paid by credit/debit card. For more information regarding the TEAS test, visit the TEAS website at [ATI Teas Website](#)

After an applicant has received a satisfactory score on the TEAS test, submission of 3 letters of reference (non-relative), and OFFICIAL transcripts (high school or GED and post-secondary) may be forwarded to the Jeff Tech Practical Nursing Program. A onetime retest is allowed for those applicants who did not score satisfactory on the TEAS test. Those who score low in an individual area, may be encouraged to seek remediation prior to further consideration.

Pending receipt of the reference letters and transcripts, an interview and information session will be set up. During the interview, policies and procedures of the school, financial aid sources, and what is expected of you as a student nurse will be explained.

Please note that the application to the school, testing, and interviewing do not obligate you in any way. We encouraged you to find out about our school before making your decision.

## Admission Requirements

1. 17 years of age or older
2. Graduate of an accredited high school or GED equivalent
3. Satisfactory scores on the pre-entrance test
4. Evidence of good mental and physical health determined by a pre-entrance medical clearance
5. Valid Healthcare Provider CPR Certification that includes a hands on test
6. Personal qualifications will be evaluated through three (3) references and interview
7. Clear Background Checks (FBI, State Police and Child Abuse)

Final acceptance or rejection is based upon the preparation and fitness of the prospective student without any discrimination in regard to race, religion, creed, state, or national origin.

## Medical Clearance

1. Medical History and Physical by a licensed healthcare provider
2. PPD Testing – Proof of previous negative 2 step with consecutive yearly negative one step OR

### Baseline Testing: Two-Step Test

Two-step testing with the Mantoux tuberculin skin test (TST) should be used for baseline or initial testing. Some people with latent TB infection have a negative reaction when tested years after being infected. The first TST may stimulate or boost a reaction. Positive reactions to subsequent TSTs could be misinterpreted as a recent infection.

#### Step 1

Administer first TST following proper protocol

Review result

- Positive — consider TB infected, no second TST needed; evaluate for TB disease.
- Negative — a second TST is needed. Retest in 1–3 weeks after first TST result is read.

Document result

#### Step 2

Administer second TST 1-3 weeks after first test

Review results

- Positive — consider TB infected and evaluate for TB disease.
- Negative — consider person not infected.

Document result

3. Lab Tests- Urinalysis Drug Screen – 7 to 10 panel
4. Verification of Immunities by lab titer or proof of immunization
  - a. DPT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) booster within 10 years
  - b. Hepatitis B (3 injections, 1<sup>st</sup> done before clinical begins) or booster if > 15 years since vaccination
  - c. Varicella
  - d. Rubella, Rubeola, Mumps (MRR or MMR)
  - e. Flu Shot—may refuse but will need to wear a mask during clinical experiences