



**Please review the following before you complete your application:**

**Classes will start August 26, 2019.** All Dental Assisting Program classes will be held in Fayetteville at the Regional Technology Center (Fayetteville High School ALLPS School of Innovation, formerly West Campus). The address is **2350 Old Farmington Rd., Fayetteville, AR 72701**. We are very close to the Hwy. 62— Interstate 49 intersection. Classes are scheduled to meet Monday thru Friday with a start time of 7:45. Ending time will vary on M-W-F and T-Th but plan on being available until noon. There are on-site clinicals and observation opportunities throughout the year and internships during the Spring semester. Professionalism, infection control, procedures, materials, x-rays, instruments, and many other dental related topics will be covered. Full course descriptions are listed in the college catalog. The required clinical days will require additional time, clinic dates will be announced after classes start. Classes and clinics are expected to end by 12:30 but clinics may run later.

**Please DO NOT schedule anything during your scheduled class time.**

#### **Program Details:**

The NWACC Dental Assisting Program offers a [Technical Certificate](#) in Dental Assisting. There will be 18 Dental Assisting hours offered in the fall and 18 Dental Assisting hours in the spring with classes finishing in May for a total of 36 hours. This will complete the dental credits needed for the Dental Assisting Technical Certificate. The Technical Certificate includes English Comp I (3 Hours) that is required along with the Dental Assisting classes to earn the Technical Certificate. The Dental Assisting hours can count as elective hours towards the [NWACC Associate of General Studies](#)

Students must be eligible to enroll at NWACC. For more enrollment information go to:

[NWACC Enrollment Information](#)

**All dental classes must be taken as listed in the degree plan each semester.**

Applicants are interviewed on a first to apply, first to interview basis until all roster slots are filled. There is a limit of 15 seats and courses are with instructor approval. Interviews will begin mid-April. Applications received after the roster is filled will be placed on a waiting list for potential openings. There are frequent changes during the summer months prior to classes beginning in August. Changes can occur right up to time for classes to start.

The following courses will be offered in the fall:

- DNTA 1014—Dental Science I
- DNTA 1113—Clinical Dentistry
- DNTA 1213—Dental Assisting Procedures I
- DNTA 1313—Dental Materials I
- DNTA 1413—Dental Radiography I
- DNTA 1512—Preventative Dentistry

The following courses will be offered in the spring:

- DNTA 1023—Dental Science II
- DNTA 1223—Dental Assisting Procedures II
- DNTA 1322—Dental Materials II
- DNTA 1422—Dental Radiography II
- DNTA 1128—Clinic Practice and Seminar



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There are 18 hours each semester for 2 semesters, all 18 hours each semester must be taken together. Tuition is based on the current per hour schedule. There are also student supply fees each semester. Detailed cost will be discussed during the interview. Each student will also need one set of scrubs, complete information will be provided when classes begin in August. Required book information will be sent to students upon acceptance to the program. Most of the books used in the fall semester will be used in the spring semester reducing the book cost for the second semester. Students will need to meet minimum of 19 ACT Reading score or equivalent (ACCUPLACER 83, ASPIRE 428, COMPASS 80, and SAT 480) and non-native speakers of English will need to test at a Level 3 or higher on the ESL Listening test or equivalent test. Completion of freshman level courses (non- developmental) will meet this qualification.

You will need to [apply to NWACC](#) if you are not currently enrolled; the **next step** is to apply for the Dental Assisting Program. The program application will be available beginning April 1, 2019. **You can apply for the dental program before your acceptance to NWACC but you must complete your application as soon as possible to make sure all details are settled in a timely manner.** A Reading score of 19 ACT (Accuplacer-78, Aspire-428, Compass-83, SAT-480) will be required for all students. We will discuss this during your interview.

#### **ECE Students:**

Students who were enrolled in the Early College Experience (ECE) Dental Assisting Program will have a NWACC transcript with their courses recorded. These courses will apply to the courses required the first semester and students will not have to retake any course they have completed credit (C or higher) on their transcript. Please provided the year you attended on the application. **(ECE Dental Students have completed Dental Science I, Preventative Dentistry, & Dental Assisting Procedures I unless transcript states different)**

#### **Tuition:**

When you start looking at the tuition cost for the different areas, **In-district** is Rogers and Bentonville School Districts. Anywhere else in Benton and Washington County is considered **Out-of-district**. There are also course fees (\$630.00in the fall, \$270.00 in the spring) for supplies and insurance. Book expenses will be approximately \$300.00 for the full year. All students will be required to purchase a set of scrubs, full details will be discussed in class in August.

The Dental Assisting Program does qualify for **Arkansas and Federal student aid**. More information on aid is available through the [Financial Aid Services](#) . Students planning on applying for the Academic Challenge Scholarship (Lottery Scholarship) will need to discuss eligibility with Financial Aid. The Technical Certificate alone doesn't qualify for the Academic Challenge Scholarship. Please discuss your individual situation with the Financial Aid staff.

#### **Background check and immunizations:**

All students are required to provide background check information and immunization records. The following will be collected during the background check process:

- Hepatitis B vaccine series completion or waiver
- MMR vaccine
- Documentation of current (6 months old or less) TB Skin Test Results
- Background Check (process information provided upon acceptance)
- Drug test (process information provided upon acceptance)



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Students entering the Dental Assisting Program will be required to have had a TB skin test in the previous 6 months and to have had the MMR and Hepatitis B immunizations prior to beginning clinicals. Students will also be required to have a background check. More information on these requirements will be provided during the interview process.

For students waiting for a new rotation of dental courses, you can consider the [Certificate of Proficiency-Pre-Health Sciences](#) for courses that will be beneficial to your health-care career.

Please let me know what other questions you may have.

**Glenda E. Lee, RDA**  
**Dental Assisting Program Director**

**2019-2020**

**Directions for completing application:**

- **Applications are accepted from April 1<sup>st</sup> to August 15<sup>th</sup>**
- **Applicants are interviewed on a first to apply, first to interview basis until all roster slots are filled. Applications received after the roster is filled will be placed on a waiting list for potential openings.**
- **Return the application by uploading your files to the drop box address below:**  
<https://api.nwacc.edu/LSS/DentalDropBox>
  - **User: dental**
  - **Password: NWACCDental**
  - **Note accepted file formats: JPG, PNG, GIF, PDF**
- **If you experience any problems with the drop box system, please email Glenda Lee.**
- **Once your application has been received, confirmation and further directions on the interview process will be emailed to you.**
- **The Dental Assisting Program's office is closed from May 31<sup>st</sup> to August 12<sup>th</sup>. Emails will be checked frequently but there may be delays in response.**



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Attn: Glenda Lee  
[glee1@nwacc.edu](mailto:glee1@nwacc.edu)  
479-301-2131

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Home/Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Texting Available \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Work/Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male **or** NWACC Student Id Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Languages that you speak:** \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about our program? \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

Are you currently enrolled at NWACC? \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes** \_\_\_\_\_ **No**

*If not, please contact the Admissions Department at 1-800-995-6922 or 479-619-4386 for admission requirements. You may return the application before you complete your NWACC registration; you must complete your registration in order to enroll in the dental classes.*

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you attend NWACC ECE Dental Assisting? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No What Year? \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

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College Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of College: \_\_\_\_\_



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Name and Address of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**Person to Contact in case of Emergency:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that:

- Attendance is critical for success in this program and is a component in the grading process.
- All courses must be taken concurrently and that both semesters of course work must be taken during the same school year unless there is instructor approval to re-enroll.
- All attached information has been fully read.

Entering your name with the date in the text box below constitutes your signature and agreement that all information on this form is correct. You may be asked to sign in person during your interview.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please selection **one** of the discussion questions below and answer it in ***your own handwriting***. Be thorough but you don't have to write a book! 2-3 paragraphs is appropriate.

1. Everyone has their own story, sometimes you feel your story identifies you to such a degree that only when people know your story can they really understand you. If this is you, tell me your story.
2. Everyone is a collection of their personal experiences, good, bad, setbacks, accomplishments, failures, and successes. Describe an event in your life that fits this description and how it affects your choice of career field and your academic abilities.
3. Tell me about your favorite academic subject and why you like that subject. What kind of academic challenges have you encountered and how has that affected your view of the education process?



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