

Academic information

Employment Opportunities

Surgical Technologists are employed in the operating room, surgical office, delivery room, emergency departments, physician and dentist offices, central supply services, cardiac catheterization clinics, tissue banks and ambulatory surgical care sites.

Program hours

Classes begin each year in March and September and take 12 months to complete. Provisions are made for legal holidays and vacation periods.

Classroom: 9 AM–2:30 PM, Mon.–Fri.

Clinical: times may range from 7 AM–4 PM, Mon.–Fri.

Curriculum

Study Skills

Communications

Human Body I & II

Microbiology

Fundamentals of Surgical Care

Surgical Procedures I & II

Pharmacology

Capstone

Clinical Practice

Clinical Affiliates

Brookhaven Memorial Hospital Medical Center

Good Samaritan Medical Center

John T. Mather Memorial Hospital

Northport Veterans Administration Medical Center

NSLIJ Huntington Hospital

NSLIJ Southside Hospital

St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center

St. Charles Hospital

St. Francis Hospital

St. Joseph Hospital

Progression and Retention Policy

Academic: a minimum grade of 75% must be maintained in each course.

Lab: Passing grade must be achieved in all skills with a grade of 80% in the OR practicum.

Clinical: a grade of 70% in the first clinical rotation and a grade of 75% in the second clinical rotation.

Each student will again be evaluated by means of clinical competencies. The clinical competencies will be administered after the student has completed the didactic, clinical, and laboratory experience in each subject.

Graduation Requirements

Criteria for successful completion of the program are:

- a grade of 75% or better for each area of study
- satisfaction of all financial obligations
- fulfillment of attendance requirements
- satisfactory completion of a total of 120 standard procedures in the first scrub role or first scrub with assist role in the designated areas
- satisfactory completion of the comprehensive assessment exam/remediation given prior to graduation
- completion of the NBSTSA CST certification exam

Transfer Credit

BOCES does not accept credit(s) from other educational institutions. All BOCES programs must be successfully completed in entirety to obtain a certificate of completion.

School of Surgical Technology



a Western Suffolk BOCES program
located at Wilson Tech's Northport campus

152 Laurel Hill Road
Northport, N.Y. 11768

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Western Suffolk BOCES has been approved as an Authorized Provider by the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), 8405 Greensboro Drive, Suite 800, McLean, VA 22102

Mission Statement

Western Suffolk BOCES provides career training and literacy programs to help adults meet their career goals by developing skills essential for gainful employment, job advancement and new career opportunities.

Western Suffolk BOCES Non-Discrimination Notice

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Accreditation

Western Suffolk BOCES is accredited by: The Commission of the Council on Occupational Education. They may be contacted at: 41 Perimeter Center East, NE, Suite 640, Atlanta, GA 30346, (800) 917-2081, www.council.org

The School of Surgical Technology at Western Suffolk BOCES is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs upon the recommendation of the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC-STSA). They may be contacted at 1361 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33756; (727) 210-2350 or www.caahep.org

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About us

You can train for an exciting career in surgical technology in just 12 months. Western Suffolk BOCES' accredited School of Surgical Technology offers this 1200-hour program for you to become a certified Surgical Technologist. A Surgical Technologist works closely with the surgeon, anesthesiologist and registered nurse to set up and assist in all types of surgical procedures.

You will learn how to perform many duties that help keep the operating room functioning safely before, during and after operations from a caesarian section to open heart surgery. Practice the skillful handling and passing of surgical instruments, sterilizing operating room equipment and maintaining inventory in BOCES' simulated OR.

BOCES' program offers a low student-to-teacher ratio for highly personalized instruction. Students are assigned to a clinical site at one of Long Island's excellent health care facilities and spend 590 hours working under the guidance of an experienced health care professional.

Classes are held at Wilson Technological Center's Northport campus. Enrollment is limited to 10 students per class.

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Certification

Upon successful completion of the program, a student will be awarded a certificate of completion and be eligible to apply to the National Board of Surgical Technology & Surgical Assisting to take the National Certifying Examination provided all the eligibility requirements are met.

Why choose BOCES?

- ✓ Fully accredited program
- ✓ Eligible to apply to take the national certifying exam upon graduation
- ✓ Professional faculty with OR experience
- ✓ Financial Aid counselor available
- ✓ Financial aid and tuition payment plans available to those who qualify
- ✓ Job placement services available
- ✓ Student assistance and counseling at our Career Center
- ✓ Advanced placement is available in this BOCES' Practical Nursing program within one year of graduation.

How do I apply?

Application Process

Applications are accepted throughout the year. Take the Pre-Entrance Examination (Test of Essential Academic Skills). This exam is scheduled several times each year and is administered in BOCES at Wilson Tech's Northport campus.

Successfully passing the Pre-Entrance Exam (TEAS) entitles you to continue with the application process but does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

Admission Requirements

- Candidates must be a minimum of 17 years of age
- Official transcript indicating high school diploma or equivalency
- Completed application form for the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) pre-entrance exam. A non-refundable registration fee of \$125, payable by money order to Western Suffolk BOCES, must accompany your registration form. If you have a current IEP and are requesting testing modifications, call 631/ 261-3721
- Satisfactory achievement (50th percentile in Reading, Math & English) on the TEAS pre-entrance examination to receive an invitation to apply to the program.
- Completed application form and application fee: \$60
- Good physical and mental health

- 20/20, 20/30 vision in both eyes with or without corrective lenses
- Ability to stand for lengthy periods
- Ability to demonstrate basic computer, word processing and internet skills for academic applications
- Three references- 2 business, 1 personal
- Submission of a satisfactory writing sample
- Personal interview

The school of Surgical Technology reserves the right to deny admission based upon failure to complete admission requirements. Enrollment is limited to 10 students per class.

Financial information

Installment payment plan and financial aid are available for those who qualify.

Tuition: \$15,749 (subject to change July 1).

Additional Costs: \$1,500 (approx.)

Student Consumer Information

To help prospective students make an informed choice about the BOCES program in Surgical Technology, details about graduation rates and more are available at www.wsboces.org/consumer.

Federal Student Aid (FSA)

Don't let finances limit your dreams! Financial aid is available to those who qualify. Eligibility is determined by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the U.S. Department of Education. This application can be completed on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov, on paper or by appointment with our Financial Aid Office.

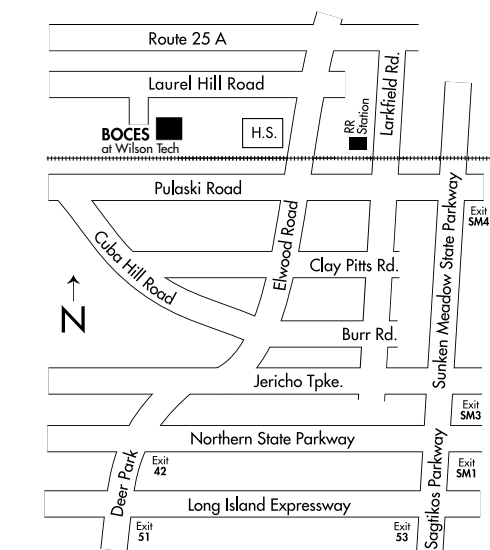
Tuition not covered by Financial Aid is the student's responsibility. An installment payment plan is available for students who desire to use this method. The Financial Aid Office can help you with alternative loans which are available to those who qualify for tuition balances not covered by Federal Financial Aid Funds. BOCES also accepts VISA and Mastercard. BOCES is approved by the VA and ACCESS-VR. Call the Financial Aid Office at 631-261-3600 x214 to discuss financing options.

Note: Students must maintain satisfactory progress to remain eligible for Financial Aid. Initial deposit, due at time of program registration, is not covered by Federal Student Aid funds.

Here we are:

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