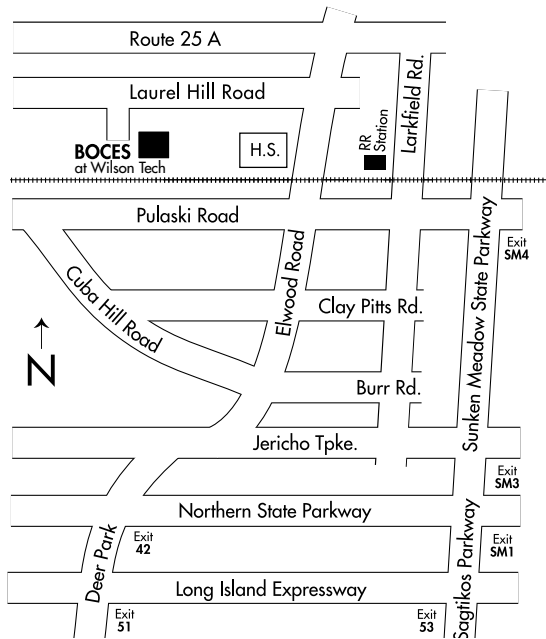


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**Mission Statement**  
 Western Suffolk BOCES provides career training and literacy programs to help adults meet their career goals by developing skills essential for gainful employment, job advancement and new career opportunities.

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*The nurse assistant is a key person in today's health care*

While studying to become a certified nurse assistant in this NYS-approved program at Western Suffolk BOCES, you will learn many different procedures that make a difference in the daily care of people. You'll learn everything from communicating effectively with those who are ill to making a bed with a person in it. You'll also learn how body organs function and what you can hear with a stethoscope.

Graduates of BOCES Nurse Assisting program work in skilled nursing facilities, hospitals, rehabilitation facilities and adult homes where they perform basic nursing functions and procedures relating to personal hygiene, safety, nutrition, exercise, vital signs and communication needs under the supervision of a registered nurse.

Western Suffolk BOCES will prepare you for an important role in health care in as few as three months. BOCES has an experienced faculty with diversified educational and clinical background. Students receive hands-on training in fully-equipped classrooms and laboratories at Wilson Technological Center's Northport campus and at local modern health care facilities.

## Employment Opportunities

A position as a nurse assistant opens the door to many other career opportunities in the expanding health care field. Upon successful completion of the BOCES program, a student qualifies to take the NYS Nurse Aide Competency Examination. In order to sit for this examination, candidates must present current government issued photo ID with signature or current signature ID. Graduates who pass this exam are entitled to work in health care facilities and are listed in the NYS registry.

Western Suffolk BOCES' offers lifetime job placement services at Wilson Tech to help graduates find jobs upon graduation and even years later.

Nurse assistants can advance their careers through BOCES' Schools of Practical Nursing, Surgical Technology, Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Medical Assisting Programs. Cross training opportunities in phlebotomy and EKG technician certifications are available through adult education classes at Wilson Tech Center, the career and technical education division of Western Suffolk BOCES.

## Admission Requirements

1. To be admitted to the Nurse Assisting program, a student **MUST** first earn a successful score on a reading and math assessment. The Test of Basic Education (TABE) is given several times each month. Note: TABE test can only be taken once in a 6-month period. If you are concerned about your math skills, take the Basic Skills Class to boost your skills before you take the TABE.
2. Physical exam.
3. Good physical and mental health.
4. Have the ability to clearly hear a patient calling for assistance from a minimum of 10 feet away.
5. Have the ability to clearly communicate verbally to the patient/doctor.
6. Personal interview. After individual counseling and review of the student's ability to succeed, a counselor may recommend a period of remediation before entry into the program. Call (631) 667-6000, x327 for a pre-admission interview.

## Financial Information

**Tuition:** \$2,199 ( subject to change July 1)  
Additional costs for designated uniform, physical examination, textbooks ([www.wilsontech.org/bookstore](http://www.wilsontech.org/bookstore)), and fee for NYS competency evaluation.

## Full-time Day Program

Programs are scheduled to begin every 3 months. You can complete the program in just 2½ months.

- 140 hrs of classroom instruction, M–F, 9 AM–2 PM.
- 60 hours of practical experience in a clinical setting supervised by an RN.

## Part-time Evening Program

Programs begin in September and March of each year. You can complete the program in just six months.

- 140 hrs of classroom instruction, M/W, 5–10 PM.
- 60 hours of practical experience in a clinical setting supervised by an RN.

## Promotion Policy

Students must achieve a final grade of 80% or better on classroom theory, laboratory and clinical performance. Absences must not exceed 10% of total program hours.

## Clinical Sites

Carillon House Nursing Facility  
Huntington Hills Center for Health & Rehabilitation  
St. Catherine of Siena Nursing Home

## Other BOCES Services

- Student counseling through the Career Center
- Classes are available to help students prepare for the high school equivalency examination (GED) or earn your diploma.