

Kankakee Community College
**2010 Respiratory Therapist
Eligibility Check Sheet**

This program is a **restricted admissions program**. If there are more eligible applicants at the **initial deadline – Oct. 1, 2010** – than can be accepted, the eligible applicants compete for entry according to a point system. Those eligible after the initial deadline will be added to the alternate list according to their points. Information on the point system is in the “Information on Health Degree Programs” handout and at www.kcc.edu.

To be eligible for entry to KCC’s Respiratory Therapist program, all of the following must be completed and **on file with the office of Admissions and Registration**:

- A KCC Admissions Form
- Official high school transcript or official GED scores received directly from the high school or testing institution. (High school seniors must have a seventh semester transcript on file followed by a final transcript upon graduation.)
- Official college transcripts from every college ever attended must be received directly from each college.
- Foreign transcripts must be evaluated by a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) before the degree is confirmed as equivalent to a U.S. degree/diploma or points/credit for any coursework may be awarded. Visit www.naces.org/members.htm for more information.
- Scores from the COMPASS test taken no more than two years prior to the month of the program deadline.

To be eligible for entry into the Respiratory Therapist program, all of the following **academic minimum requirements** must have been met:

- High school graduation or GED equivalency. (High school seniors will be considered to tentatively meet that requirement, but must graduate at the end of the academic year to retain eligibility.)
- A 2.0 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale at KCC, if KCC course work has been completed before the applicant is being considered for acceptance. (Cooperative agreement students should see an advisor.)
- A grade of **C or better** in each of the following
 - a year of high school or a semester of college biology in the last seven (7) years
 - high school Algebra I in the last five (5) years **or**
A semester of algebra in college in the last five (5) years **or**
A score of 38 or higher on the algebra portion of the COMPASS test within the last two (2) years **or**
A GED math score of 600 or higher within the last two (2) years **or**
An ACT math score of 20 or better within the last two (2) years.
- Minimum reading and writing eligibility requirements must be met in **one** of the following ways. Course work must have been completed within five (5) years of the deadline; test scores must be from tests taken within two (2) years of the deadline.
 - COMPASS reading score added to the writing score is 156 or higher, and reading score is 79 or higher **or**
 - ACT reading score added to the English score is 42 or higher, and the reading score is 22 or higher **or**
 - A grade of B or better in ENGL 1413 and READ 1484. English I with a “C” or better may be substituted for ENGL 1413 **or**
 - A grade of B or better in ENGL 1413 (or “C” in English I) **and** either a minimum COMPASS reading score of 79 or a minimum ACT reading score of 22 **or**
 - A grade of B or better in READ 1484 **and** either a minimum COMPASS writing score of 77 or a minimum ACT English score of 20.
- A minimum of six (6) points. See the “Information on Health Degree Programs” handout or visit www.kcc.edu

It is recommended that students complete as many general education courses as possible for the curriculum prior to beginning program-specific courses. See curriculum outline in the catalog, brochure or online.

A list of minimum abilities a person must possess in order to successfully complete KCC’s Respiratory Therapist program is available in the Department of Student Services. Students considering entering the program should read the list prior to beginning work toward entrance into the program.

A negative drug screen and background check are required before admission to this program. Students with questions about these requirements should contact the program director, Nancy Stephens, at 815-802-8842.