Dental Hygiene Program Admissions Criteria

50% Academic Performance

Core Grade Point Average
- Each core class must be passed with a grade of “C” or better to receive program credit.
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 with the core classes is required for entry into the DHYG program at Lanier Technical College.
- Points are calculated on a percentage basis from the maximum number of points of 50. (Example: 3.45 GPA 3.45/4.00 = .8625 x 50 = 43.125 points)
- Points are awarded based on the amount of core classes completed at the time of the interview. (Example: 34 of 38 core hours completed with GPA from previous example. 34/38 = .8947 x 43.125 = 38.58 points)

Core Curriculum Completed
The following courses (or their equivalent) are recognized as core classes:

- ENGL 1101 (3)  BIOL 2113 / 2113L (3/1)
- PSYC 1101 (3)  BIOL 2114 / 2114L (3/1)
- HUMN 1101 or ENGL 2130 (3)  BIOL 2117 / 2117L (3/1)
- MATH 1101 or MATH 1111 (3)  CHEM 1151 / 1151L (3/1)
- SPCH 1101 (3)  CHEM 1152 / 1152L (3/1)
- SOCI 1101 (3)

- All the core classes total 38 semester hours.
- Only core classes which have been completed before the interview will contribute points towards the interview process.
- The above core classes must be completed prior to entry into the dental science phase of the program in the Fall semester. If not, then the candidate will be dropped from the program and the next alternate will be contacted.

10% Dental Experience
- 100 hours equals 10 points.
- Points are awarded based on previous dental experience.
- The applicant is encouraged to gain experience working as a a chairside dental assistant with a dentist.
- Other ways to gain experience include dental hygiene assisting and shadowing / observation in the dental office.
- Working in the front office or as a laboratory technician does not involve direct patient care and counts as half the point value.

5% Application Materials
- Three letters of recommendation
- Personal essay

35% Interview Score
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