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| **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION** |
| The **Veterinary Assisting** program prepares students, under the supervision of veterinarians, laboratory animal specialists, and zoological professionals, to provide patient management, care, and clinical procedures assistance. The **Veterinary Assisting** program includes instruction in animal nursing care, animal health and nutrition, animal handling, clinical pathology, radiology, anesthesiology, dental prophylaxis, surgical assisting, clinical laboratory procedures, office administration skills, patient and owner management, and applicable standards and regulations. |
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| The **Veterinary Assisting** program is designed and delivered as a coherent sequence of school-based and work-based supervised learning. The Professional Skills developed by business and industry leaders across Arizona are integrated throughout the program. The **Veterinary Assisting** students develop leadership, social, civic, and career skills through participation in the Career and Technical Student Organization HOSA(Future Health Professionals).  |
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| The **Veterinary Assisting** instructional program prepares students for entry-level employment, further training, and/or post-secondary education for these and other occupations: Veterinary Assisting, Veterinary Specialty Assisting, Veterinary Administrative Assisting, Animal Caretaker, and Animal Care Attendant |
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| **INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS** |
| The following credentials have been approved for the A-F CCR and are CTED eligible for the **Veterinary Assisting** instructional program:* Approved Veterinary Assistant (AVA)
* OSHA 10 - Healthcare
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| **COHERENT SEQUENCE** |
| 51.0808.10 - Veterinary Assisting I, **and** |
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| 51.0808.20 - Veterinary Assisting II, **and program may elect to add:** |
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| 51.0808.30- Veterinary Assisting III, **or** |
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| 51.0808.40 - Veterinary Assisting IV, **or** |
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| 51.0808.70 - Veterinary Assisting – DCE (Diversified Cooperative Education) **or** |
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| 51.0808.75 - Veterinary Assisting – Internship **or** |
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| 51.0808.80 - Veterinary Assisting – Cooperative Education |

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| **TEACHER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**The instructor must be ADE/CTE certified in one of the following Certificates: PCTA, SCTA, SSCTEA, PCTHC, SCTHC, or SSCTEHC.Note: * Veterinary Assisting 51.0808.70 may be a part of the sequence and the teacher must hold a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN).
* Veterinary Assisting 51.0808.75 is not required to have a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN).
* Veterinary Assisting 51.0808.80 is required to have a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN).
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| CERTIFICATE TYPES |
| **PCTA** | Provisional Career and Technical Education Agriculture |
| **SCTA** | Standard Career and Technical Education Agriculture |
| **SSCTEA** | Standard Specialized Career and Technical Education Agriculture |
| **PCTHC** | Provisional Career and Technical Education Health Careers |
| **SCTHC** | Standard Career and Technical Education Health Careers |
| **SSCTEHC** | Standard Specialized Career and Technical Education Health Careers |