



Thank you for your interest in the Dental Hygiene Program at Coastal Bend College. We have an excellent record of educating future dental hygienists and we look forward to helping you meet your goals. Class size is limited; therefore, admission is competitive using criteria indicative of probable success in the program. The application with all essential information should be submitted with the \$50 non-refundable application fee, paid by money order, prior to **March 1** for the best chance of acceptance.

The **essentials** for a completed application include the following:

- 1) Completed Coastal Bend College and Dental Hygiene applications for admission.
- 2) Original college transcripts for all colleges attended. International students also need to submit original high school transcripts.
- 3) A copy of THEA and/or alternative exam scores and, if available, an original copy of the ACT scores, or SAT scores, unless criteria has been previously met at another Texas college or university.
- 4) A letter providing proof of dental office chair side experience and length of employment or proof of dental assistant certification if applicable.
- 5) A \$50.00 money order payable to Coastal Bend College (U.S. Currency).

**IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO MAKE SURE ALL REQUIRED PAPERWORK AND INFORMATION IS RECEIVED IN THE DENTAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT. THIS INCLUDES UPDATING PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED TRANSCRIPTS. THE DENTAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT FOLLOW UP ON ANY INFORMATION THAT IS NOT IN YOUR FILE. YOUR FILE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF ALL INFORMATION IS NOT INCLUDED.**

**Please submit the college application and official transcripts to:**

Coastal Bend College  
**Department of Dental Hygiene**  
3800 Charco Rd.  
Beeville, TX 78102

The Admissions Committee begins to consider applications in early spring and will continue until the class has been filled. They select the strongest possible applicants for the class; therefore, the better the qualifications, the better the opportunity for selection. Letters of recommendation are not required, but will be considered if sent. The determinants for admission are **college course work, college placement test scores, previous degrees awarded (bachelor, master), and dental chair side experience.** **All applicants will be notified of acceptance or denial by August 2017.**

#### Prerequisites

- Chemistry (CHEM 1306) Allied Health Emphasis
- Chemistry Lab (CHEM 1306)
  
- Anatomy and Physiology I (BIOL 2301)
- Anatomy and Physiology I Lab (BIOL 2101)
  
- Anatomy and Physiology II (BIOL 2302)
- Anatomy and Physiology II Lab (BIOL 2101)

## **Updating transcripts in these courses is the responsibility of the applicant.**

It is **strongly recommended** that the other general studies courses within the dental hygiene curriculum be completed before applying. Coastal Bend College has a four day instructional week, making enrollment in courses other than dental hygiene in the fall and spring semesters difficult. Options to consider would be to take these general studies courses during summer sessions or online.

Grades for **ALL** courses in the dental hygiene curriculum, whether transferred from another college or on our campus, must have a grade of at least **C** to satisfy requirements of the program, and the applicant must be in good standing with the institution. Most courses will transfer from an accredited college with a **C** or better, but we must have an official transcript with a description of the course before credit can be awarded. Academic performance in these courses is scored according to the grade achieved, with three science courses weighted more heavily than the non-science classes. A grade of D or F in any of the dental hygiene program general studies courses will be factored into the process. For example, there will be seven general education courses. The grades for the courses in this section will be divided by seven giving an average in that category. There are three science courses in prerequisites. The grades for the courses in this section will be divided by three and multiplied by two giving an average in that category. If a course is retaken to improve a C, the higher grade is used with no penalty. If, however, a course is retaken to replace a D or F, that attempt will be factored as an additional course-sum of grade category divided by the number of attempts such as five rather than four.

The program begins in the fall semester, but the basic courses can be taken starting at the beginning of any semester.

The practice of Dental Hygiene has hazards and an inherent risk of exposure to blood and/or blood-containing body fluids thereby risking exposure to microbial infection. This risk includes, but is not limited to, possible exposure to Hepatitis B and Human Immunodeficiency virus - Type I (HIV-1).

The CBC Dental Hygiene Program shall not inquire about the blood borne infectious disease (BBID) status of any applicant for admission to the program; however, once accepted, the BBID status must be reported.

The admission of an applicant with a BBID can only be denied on the basis of such infection if an appointed group consisting of the Dean of Student Services, the student, the student's physician and/or the State Health Department determines that the student might pose a risk of transmission to others in the classroom and the college program. The student may also be denied admission to the Dental Hygiene Program if the applicant's infectious status would prevent him/her from completing essential degree requirements and that a reasonable accommodation could not be made to enable the applicant to do so. The Dental Hygiene Program will not initiate mandatory BBID screening of students, faculty, and staff unless justified by evidence of significant risk to patients. If screening becomes necessary, care will be taken to assure confidentiality and preservation of rights.

Coastal Bend College offers financial aid. Please call (361) 354-2238 for more information.

We hope that you will make two excellent choices: Coastal Bend College for your education and dental hygiene for your career. We look forward to hearing from you!

Please call us at (361-354-2555) if we can help you further.



## Coastal Bend College Dental Hygiene Application Form

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Name	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Last	First	Middle	Maiden
Address	_____			
	_____	_____	_____	_____
	City	State	Zip	
Phone	_____			
	_____	_____	_____	
	Home	Work	Cell	
Email	_____			
	Social Security Number			
<p>Application is submitted for Fall _____ of CBC Dental Hygiene Program school year</p> <p>Do you meet age requirement of 18-year old? Yes ____ No ____ U.S. Citizen__ Other _____</p> <p>Have you previously attended any dental hygiene program? Yes ____ No ____ If yes, what school _____</p> <p><b>If yes, you must provide a letter of good standing with this application.</b></p>				

**List all Dental Hygiene Programs to which you are applying (for CBC research data only):**

Name	Address	City	State	Zip

**WORK RECORD-Include only dental-related work experience (6-month minimum)**

Firm's Name	Address <i>Work Experience is NOT required</i>	Employment Dates	Position	Reason for leaving

**EDUCATION HISTORY - Complete all applicable spaces**

<p>High School Attended _____ Graduated ____ GED ____ Date of Graduation _____</p> <p>ACT Test Taken within 5 years: Yes ____ No ____ Date Taken _____ Location _____</p> <p>ACT Composite Score ____ Chemistry Taken: High School ____ College ____ College Hours Completed _____</p> <p>TSI Complete _____</p>					
Prerequisites	Name of School	Semester	Year	Grade	In Progress
BIOL 2301 Anatomy/Phys. I & BIOL 2101 Lab					
BIOL 2302 Anatomy/Phys. II &BIOL 2102 Lab					
CHEM 1306 Introduction Chemistry & 1106 Lab (Allied Health Emphasis)					

