GETTING STARTED in the Licensed Vocational Nursing Program

**Step One:** Call or visit the Tulare Adult School at: 575 W. Maple Ave.
Tulare, CA 93274
559-686-0225

**Step Two:** Take the required prerequisites. The following are the required prerequisites classes that must be taken prior to enrollment:

- Certified Nurses Assistant: Applicants must have a current CNA certificate.
- Anatomy & Physiology
- Medical Terminology
- Nutrition
- Medical Math

Applicants must earn a "C" or better in all prerequisite courses to be accepted into the program. Applicants must be at least 18 and a legal resident of the United States, and must be financially prepared to begin the course (approx. cost is \$4,200).

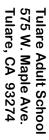
**Step Three:** Take the TEAS exam at the Tulare Adult School. Once the prerequisites are met, students will be eligible to take the TEAS entry examination for nursing. TEAS results from other testing centers may be accepted providing they are within one year from the program start date.

**Step Four:** Candidates will be screened upon receiving the results of the TEAS exam. Selected candidates will be invited to apply to the program and an interview will be scheduled. Submit the following prior to interview;

- Completed application form
- Official transcripts
- Three professional letters of recommendation.

**Step Five:** 30 applicants will be offered a position in the program and 3 will be offered alternative positions. The following must be met prior to the start of the program:

- Completed physical exam, drug screen, and immunization requirements
- Register and pay fees
- (Livescan and CPR will be offered)



### **Career & Technical Education**

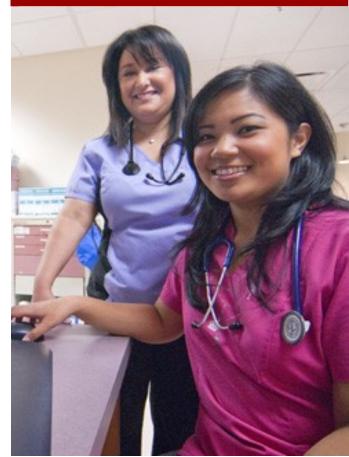
# Vocational Nursing Program













#### **Career & Technical Education**

#### **Licensed Vocational Nursing**

The Licensed Vocational Nursing (LVN) program provides educational opportunities for students seeking careers as LVNs in a variety of settings where health care services are provided. This program takes 18 months to complete and is scheduled for Monday - Wednesdays. On occasion, a Thursday class may be scheduled. Upon completion students are eligible to take the National Council Licensing Exam for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN).

Completion of high school or equivalent, along with the prerequisites listed on the back of this brochure, are required for entry into the program.

Graduates of the LVN Program will be able to:

- Incorporate principles from nursing, behavioral and physical sciences in the promotion of competent care to clients of different ages with biopsychosocial needs.
- Apply knowledge of specific disease conditions in the prevention, treatment, nursing care and rehabilitation of all clients.
- Differentiate the role of the Licensed Vocational Nurse in the health care team
- Conform to professional standards incorporating legal and ethical responsibilities of the LVN.
- Utilize critical thinking in data collection, planning, intervention and evaluation of client care and in the development and implementation of a teaching plan within the scope of LVN practice.

#### Did You Know.....

- The median wage across the country for LVNs is \$45,000 per year.
- LVNs may be employed in Acute Care Hospitals, Ambulatory Care Clinics, Assisted Living facilities, Home Heath Care, Hospice Care and a variety of other medical and care facilities.
- The LVN license is a transferable license to other states.

### LVN Careers Include:

- Long-Term Care of Skilled Nursing Settings
- Ambulatory Care Staff Nurse
- Corrections
- Education

## Career Pathways in Nursing

Tulare Adult School offers a LVN Program that gives students an opportunity to progress to eligibility to take National Council Licensing Exam for Practical Nursing and is Board of Vocational Nursing approved. Licensees may be eligible to enter Registered Nursing (RN) Bridge programs upon approval.

### **About TAS**

Established in 1928, Tulare Adult School serves over 7,000 each year. Tulare Adult School (TAS) serves a diverse population. TAS's main campus is located at 575 W. Maple Ave. in Tulare and the Health Careers campus is located on the 300 block of K street in Tulare.

TAS offers a wide variety of accessible learning Opportunities, including online classes and other distance education options. TAS offers a wide variety of career and technical education certificates for vocational and professional development. TAS is committed to the success of each student.

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Approximate cost of the program is \$4,200.

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"With successful completion of this program and experience, graduates will be eligible to pursue further education towards Registered Nursing."

