The Emergency Medical Technician’s scope of practice includes basic skills focused on the acute management and transportation of critical and emergent patients. This may occur at an emergency scene until transportation resources arrive, from an emergency scene to a health care facility, between health care facilities, or in other health care settings. Emergency Medical Technicians work alongside other EMS and health care professionals as an integral part of the emergency care team. Emergency Medical Technicians’ scope of practice includes basic, non-invasive interventions to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with acute out-of-hospital medical and traumatic emergencies. Emergency care is based on assessment findings. Additionally, Emergency Medical Technicians provide care to minimize secondary injury and provide comfort to the patient and family while transporting the patient to an emergency care facility.” (NREMT)

The goal of this 272-hour program (clinical time included) is to train and develop the individual student into a functioning member of the emergency medical workforce. The 72-hour clinical and internship portion of the EMS training program will provide the student the opportunity to acquire their newly learned knowledge and skills in the hospital and the field setting under the supervision of a clinical preceptor. Additionally, an AHA BLS Provider Course is provided within this course and a requirement prior to attending clinical rotations. This program will provide the necessary training and skills required to take the National Registry exam for EMT. Upon successful completion of the exam, the student will be eligible to become certified by the National Registry as well as by the Texas Department of State Health Services. Charges for the exam and the DSHS application for certification are not included in the cost of the course.

**ESTIMATED TUITION**

Cost of program is $1675. Additional costs include an online background check ($40, payable by student), drug screen ($40, payable by student), textbooks, and supplies. Designated uniform:

Textbooks: (available at Lee College Bookstore)
- The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons and Emergency Medical Services (EMS), 11th Edition
- The American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons and Emergency Medical Services (EMS), 11th Edition Workbook

Estimated future cost upon graduation: NREMT Exam fee – $80, DSHS Certification Fee – $64, DSHS fingerprint and background check $40.

**PREREQUISITES**

ALL prerequisites MUST be completed ONE WEEK PRIOR to start of class including online background check, drug screen, High School Diploma or GED, copy of Social Security Card, State-Issued ID or TDL (names must match), and all immunization requirements. See page 2 (back page) for complete list and details.

**TIME COMMITMENT**

Classroom: 192 hrs
AHA BLS for Healthcare Providers: 8 hrs
Clinical Rotations: 72 hrs (Ambulance Clinicals: 48 hrs, Emergency Room Clinicals: 24 hrs)
Total Hours: 272

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**JOB PROFILE**

**EMT**

Local Employment (2017): 20,250

Expected salaries:
- $10.52 (entry)
- $16.05 (average)
- $56,990 (yearly with experience)

Industries with Highest Level of Employment:
- Ambulatory Healthcare Services
- Local Government, excluding schools and hospitals (OES Designation)

Source: U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Bureau of Labor Services
EMT TRAINING PROGRAM

PREREQUISITES

ALL prerequisites MUST be completed ONE WEEK PRIOR to start of class.

- Online Background Investigation ($40, payable by student) at https://portal.castlebranch.com/LK53. The results take 48-72 hours. For assistance, please see a registration clerk at the Center.
- Drug Screen ($40, payable by student) at https://portal.castlebranch.com/LK53. The results take 48-72 hours. For assistance, please see a registration clerk at the Center.
- High School Diploma or GED
- Copy of Social Security Card and State-Issued ID or TDL (names must match).
- All students are required to have the current immunizations listed below.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for clinicals at a facility, you will need to have ALL of your shots PRIOR to the start of class and bring PROOF of all shot and titer records to the Center for Workforce and Community Development when registering.

- Hepatitis B- Series of Three doses are required or a Quantitative Titer will be accepted as long as the result shows positive immunity.
- MMR- Must have two doses of vaccination. Titer accepted.
- TB Skin Test (PPD)- Test must be negative and taken within 12 months of the end date of clinical rotations. If positive, chest X-ray with written results from Dr. showing no symptoms of TB accepted OR Chest X-ray with written results within 2 years of start date of class.
- Tetanus (TDaP)- Must be within 8 years of the start date of the class (or TD + Pertussis immunization)
- Varicella- Must have two doses of vaccination or titre test with positive results if history of Chick Pox.
- Flu vaccine – annual – if clinical rotations are to be completed during flu season (Oct.-March)
- Verbal or written information of not being treated for Hep C.

CAREER PATHWAY

High School Diploma or GED → EMT Program/ Certification → EMT Technician Yearly Salary: $21,880-$56,990 → Further Opportunities: Firefighter or Emergency Management Director

HB 1508 - Students who have a felony conviction should check with the Program Manager of their program to determine if a licensing exam is required to be employed. Some examples include but are not limited to education, nursing, cosmetology, and technology programs. Legislative changes, specifically, HB 1508 from the 85th Texas legislative session section 53.151 (2017), require notification to applicants and enrollees regarding the consequences of a criminal conviction on eligibility for an occupational license. Students may be ineligible for an occupational license upon completion of a program due to prior convictions.