Application Instructions

Applications to the Respiratory Therapy (RPT) Program

Will be accepted: March 1 – June 1, 2025, for consideration of Fall semester entry.

Minimal Requirements:

- 1. Apply to Wallace State Community College. There is no fee to apply. Be unconditionally admitted to the college and in good standing. You will receive a student number starting with "A" that you should use on all correspondence, and when you apply to a health science division program.
- Official college transcripts <u>from each college previously attended</u> must be submitted to WSCC Admissions <u>prior to applying to a health science program</u>. We recommend that you have unofficial copies ready for your health science program application.

NOTE: It is the responsibility of each applicant to ensure that all information is on file with the WSCC Admissions Office prior to application deadline.

3. Respiratory Therapy Program:

- A. Minimum of **18** ACT composite score or superscore (National or Residual) is required for admission consideration. Proof of score must be uploaded in online program application. ACT scores are available on Degree Works reports, transcripts including High School, and through ACT.org. While an official score report is not required, if ordering your score report from ACT.org, please use <u>Code 0083</u> and allow 4-6 weeks for processing. WSCC will receive your score from ACT and add it on your myWallaceState account. To use scores available on ACT.org you will need to print to PDF, we do not accept screenshots. We will accept ACT Superscores from ACT, but not manually calculated ACT Superscores. Scan the document to PDF format, save the file, and then upload the document to your online application.
- B. Attain a minimum 2.5 GPA or greater on a 4.0 scale with a grade of "C" or better on all general required pre-RPT courses. GPA calculated for program selection will be on the general required pre-RPT courses excluding ORI 110.
- C. The following general education required courses: BIO 201, ENG 101, and MTH elective, must be completed prior to beginning the Respiratory Therapy major courses. The other general education courses (BIO 202, ENG 102, PSY 200, and IDS 102) may be completed after the student is accepted into the program. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that his or her application is complete and that the required general education courses have been completed.
- D. Submit the online health division application with all required attachments by the deadline.

Student must meet the essential functions and technical standards required for the program as documented on the required **WSCC physical form**. Form to be completed **upon** program acceptance, view **now** for reference only.

The Wallace State Community College Respiratory Therapy Program, CoARC program number 200255, offering the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S) Degree, at its Hanceville campus location, is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (www.coarc.com). Upon graduation the student is eligible to apply to take the registry examination of the National Board for Respiratory Care.

Each health program has an online program application process which requires documents to be uploaded and submitted complete by **June 1st** for evaluation. All information must be uploaded to each online application to be complete. Information will NOT be accepted in person, by mail/email, or via fax. Any missing documentation may result in your application being declined.

<u>The application must be prepared by the applicant.</u> Mailing address, email, and phone number must be current to receive correspondence. Please check your WSCC student email for application notifications. Applicants will be notified by email of your application outcome by **July 1st.** No information regarding individual admission status will be given via telephone; **do not call** Admissions or the program directly to obtain status. Log in to your Dynamic Forms account to review the application.

- 4. The following are **required documents** that are needed before beginning the program application:
 - a. **General Education Worksheet** Completed copy of the 2025 RPT Program General Education Worksheet must be filled out and calculate totals. Save the file.
 - b. **ACT Composite Score** Copy of your ACT Scores (National, Residual, or Superscore) showing both your name & your ACT scores. Scores printed from Degree Works will be accepted for Wallace State students. Transcripts with ACT score are also acceptable. Save the file.
 - c. Transcript Obtain the most current unofficial transcript from each college previously attended and highlight the highest grade received for courses listed on General Education Worksheet. Make sure your name and the college name are clearly visible on each transcript. The <u>unofficial</u> transcript must include all pages (even blank ones). WSCC Admissions office CANNOT print transcripts from other colleges. The WSCC transcript can be obtained from your MyWallaceState account. Save the file.

All of the above documents must be uploaded into the RPT program application

How to Scan to PDF

All documents must be uploaded to the online RPT Program application. Document format must be PDF with 16 MB limit. All documents must be legible to be valid. All pages of the documents (even blank pages, full set of page numbers) must be uploaded to be complete. ** Only one image per page. If document contains multiple pages, these pages MUST be batched together into a single PDF document.

- 1. Download the Free Cam Scanner App to your smart phone, https://www.camscanner.com/
- 2. Set up Free Basic Account. See free tutorial: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZRaIwludu8
- 3. From App, select files to send.
- 4. Add applicant email address. Tap Send.
- 5. Open email from computer, rename document as directed above and upload to online application when prompted.

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5. Apply to the Program

First time users will be required to click on "Create New Account" upon entering the online application. To receive application notifications, use your WSCC student email address to "Create New Account".

• You will use your WSCC student email information to create the account for Dynamic Forms.

Username: firstname.lastname@student.wallacestate.edu
Password: !ACCS010199 (for a January 1, 1999 date of birth)

The application will time out after 45 minutes. A "Save Progress" button is accessible for your convenience. The draft is saved in My Forms. **Application is not complete until all documents are uploaded and completed application has been submitted.**

Application can be reviewed/tracked by signing into your Dynamic Forms account. A confirmation email will be sent when application has been processed.

6. Selection

Meeting Minimal Requirements Does Not Guarantee Acceptance. Students are selected based on completion of all program requirements prior to the deadline and ranked based on General Education Worksheet total.

The Respiratory Therapy Program admits applicants in the fall semester each year.

Program applications will be reviewed for completion of program admission requirements. Written notification of program acceptance status will be sent to each applicant via information supplied on the program application.

Following acceptance in the program, students must respond confirming their intent to enroll by using the internet link provided on their letter, by the deadline indicated on the letter. A student who fails to respond will forfeit his/her place in the class.

All other factors being equal, applicants will be ranked by ACT score to determine admission if there are more applicants than can be accepted.

Please check your WSCC student email and your alternate email (that you provided on your RPT program application) periodically for application notifications. Once application information is submitted, it becomes the property of Wallace State Community College and will not be released from this application. Application data is not kept on file from previous submissions.

Accepted students will be required to submit proof of current CPR certification prior to attending clinical – typically in September of first semester of RPT Program. American Heart Association (AHA) Basic Life Support (BLS) for health care providers will be accepted. Online CPR courses **WILL NOT** be accepted.

Accepted students are required to submit to drug screenings and background checks, as well as attend a mandatory health program orientation. <u>Drug Testing Policy</u> and <u>Background Check Policy</u> are available for viewing on the Health Division page.