

Dental Hygiene (DH) Program What You Need to Know When You Apply

This guide is intended to highlight the most important information applicants should know when applying to the DH program at Montgomery Community College.

Application Instructions

- All applicants interested in any of MCC's allied health, competitive admission programs must complete **both** a college admissions application and a **separate application for the specific program they wish to enter**. Please note: submitting only a college admissions application does not qualify an applicant for consideration into an allied health, competitive entry program. Applicants who do not complete the required program application will not be considered for acceptance into their intended program. **Be sure to carefully review all deadlines, dates, and application instructions.**
 - There is a separate application required for the Dental Hygiene program. The Dental Hygiene application will be available **annually from November 1st through March 1st** and can only be accessed on the Dental Hygiene program page of the MCC website. It will not appear on the standard college application page. However, the Dental Hygiene program is listed on the standard MCC admissions application, and all interested applicants should select "Dental Hygiene" as their intended Program of Study for their desired cohort year when completing the college admissions application.
 - There will be no applications accepted after the March 1st deadline date.
 - The **Biology** and **Chemistry** competency pre-requisite requirements must be met by the March 1st deadline, along with the pre-requisite requirements for **English** and **Math** placement. Being enrolled in these courses at the application deadline will not meet preliminary program admissions requirements.
 - All **Dental Hygiene Experience/Observation Hours** must be completed and submitted to our Admissions Office by **5pm on March 1st annually**. Those may be dropped off in-person or emailed to enrollment@montgomery.edu
 - All **official** transcripts should be sent to MCC either electronically to enrollment@montgomery.edu or mailed to **1011 Page St. Troy, NC 27371**. This includes both high school and college/university transcript records.
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This Is an In-Person Program

- The Dental Hygiene program is **not an online program**.
 - Dental courses, labs, and clinicals are conducted **in person**.
 - Expect availability **5 days per week** for class, lab and clinicals.
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All Deadlines are Firm Deadlines

- **All admissions applications, transcripts pre-requisite courses and placement requirements must be met by March 1st annually for admissions consideration for the fall 2027 cohort.**
 - Incomplete files are **not reviewed** for TEAS testing or acceptance.
 - Being “in progress” on documents after the March 1st deadline does **not** count.
 - All TEAS scores must be on file with the Admissions Office by **5pm on March 10th, 2027**.
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Background Check Eligibility

- All applicants must be able to pass a background check in order to retain acceptance in the program due to clinical site restrictions.
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TEAS Exam Rules

- Only **TEAS Version 7** is currently accepted.
 - Minimum score required: **67%**.
 - Scores are **not rounded** (a 66.9% does not qualify).
 - The **HESI exam is not accepted**.
 - TEAS scores must be sent **directly from ATI** to the Admissions Office.
 - TEAS scores can be no more than **3 years old as of 3/1/2027**
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Acceptance Is Competitive

- Meeting minimum admissions requirements **does not guarantee acceptance**.
 - Applicants are ranked using a **points-based system**, including:
 - TEAS score
 - Completed general education courses and final grades
 - Current health-related certifications/licensures
 - Completion of Higher Education Degrees (Associate, Bachelors, Masters)
 - Applicants not initially accepted may be placed on an **alternate list**.
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You Must Reapply Each Year

- Applications **do not carry over** to the next cohort.
 - Applicants not accepted (including alternates) **must submit a new application** for the next year.
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Check Your Application Status Regularly

- Applicants are responsible for monitoring their MCC Self Service account.
 - The Admissions Office **does not assume intent** to apply.
 - Read all MCC emails carefully—most questions are answered there.
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Bottom Line: Applicants who meet deadlines, follow instructions closely, and understand the competitive nature of the program are the most successful in the admissions process.

Please Note: Requirements are subject to change. It is the applicant's responsibility to verify all admissions requirements prior to the application deadline date.