

Animal Science / Vet Assistant

Students who complete 2 credits in this pathway will meet their state graduation pathway through the CTE Sequence option.

The **Animal Science / Vet Asst. Program of Study** is designed for those who love animals and want to learn to care for and manage them. Students will understand the hows and whys of animal life (nutrition, reproduction, care, and management). These courses will allow students to learn the differences between a companion animal and a farm animal and the importance of each. Students will understand the important roles various animal species play in society.



Is this program a fit for you?

- Enjoy spending time with and caring for animals.
- Interested in learning more about companion, service, or farm animals.
- Enjoy working in indoor and outdoor environments.
- Want to pursue a degree in Veterinary medicine, farming, or animal service related jobs.

High School Opportunities

Courses

- Animal Science
- Fish & Wildlife Biology
- Foundations in Chemistry
- Vet Assistant

Additional Possibilities

- FFA
- Lead - Kodi Jaspers

Career Connected Learning

- Job Shadows/Internship
- Career Exploration Field Trips

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After High School Options

Certificates

- Vet Tech National Exam (VTNE)

2 year option

- Animal Training
- Animal Health
- Equestrian/Equine Studies

4 year option

- Animal Science
- Animal Health

Careers

Example of Careers and Salary

• Veterinary Assistants & Lab Animal Caretakers.	\$ 25,250
• Hunting & Fishing	\$ 29,280
• Animal Training	\$ 31,520
• Veterinary Tech.	\$ 32,490
• Pest Control	\$ 33,040
• Veterinary	\$ 88,770

*Data Source - Schoolinks

Program Courses

Program High School Courses	Grades	Equivalencies	CIHS	Dual Credit	Industry Recognized Certificate (IRC)
Animal Science	9, 10, 11, 12	Life Science			YouScience - Animal Science
Fish & Wildlife Biology	10, 11, 12	Life Science			YouScience - Natural Resource Science
Foundations in Chemistry	10, 11, 12	Physical Science			
Veterinary Assistant	10, 11, 12	Science			Leads to Licensed Veterinary Tech