## **Mansfield Christian Career Academy Program**

# **Academy of Health Professions**



OUR MISSION: Expose students to the health professions through mentoring relationships, curriculum enhancements, and engaging internship experiences with the ultimate goal of providing insight to God's calling on their lives.

## THE ACADEMY PROGRAM

The Mansfield Christian Career Academy Program is designed to provide MCS students with the opportunity to explore career options during their junior and senior year. MCCAP promotes exploration of various careers within a specific discipline, allowing students to consider the unique gifts and talents that God has given them and how they can best use those abilities to bring glory to Christ.

#### THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Students will apply during the second semester of their sophomore year. The process follows:

- Submit a complete application with teacher references.
- Interview with the Director.
- Once accepted, schedule required classes.

## REQUIREMENTS

- Students must pass each course to advance to the next course in the program. The courses will be offered at MCS during the regular school day.
- Academy Experience: students will complete 40 hours of hands-on experience with a community member in one or more health-related professions. This requirement will be met over the course of two years

## **COURSES**

Intro to Health Care 1 1 semester Fall, Junior Year

Intro to Health Care 2 1 semester Spring, Junior Year

Faith in Your Work

1 semester

Fall, Senior Year

CAPstone Project 1 semester Spring, Senior Year

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# **Academy of Health Professions**

### **COURSES**

Intro to Health Care 1: Provides students with foundational knowledge in healthcare, emphasizing the construction of medical terminology and its application to body systems, alongside exploring modern healthcare characteristics, occupations, and growth and development. Through guest speakers, lectures, labs, and mentoring, students will gain insights into various healthcare professions throughout program.

**Intro to Health Care 2:** Focuses on understanding patients, the communication process and their knowledge of medical terminology while continuing to learn about professions through guest speakers, lectures, labs, and mentoring opportunities.

**Faith in Your Work:** examines ethics and legal responsibilities of healthcare professionals, explores current healthcare issues, including costs and patient satisfaction, and highlights ministry opportunities.

**CAPstone Project:** Students will research an area of interest related to a healthcare profession and learn about the application and interview process.

## **MENTORSHIPS**

Students will be matched with a Christian mentor who works in a health profession that aligns with the student's interest. The MCCAP Liaison will work with the student to secure a mentor committed to the student's growth and development. This mentoring relationship will be developed throughout the junior and senior year during monthly meetings. The student will keep a journal detailing notes form mentoring meetings.

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

Integrated into each course will be opportunities for students to explore vocational options. Professionals will be invited to class sessions to share their experience and impact in the health care field, Professions for exploration include, but are not limited to: pharmacy, physical therapy, nursing, chiropractic care, EMT, sports medicine, dentistry, social work, and general medicine.

#### DISTINCTIONS

Students who complete all Academy of Health Professions requirements will have the honor of wearing a blue cord at graduation. The student's official transcript will also recognize this distinction.

#### **FEES**

The cost for MCCAP is \$200 per year. Once accepted into the program, placement is confirmed with full payment within three weeks of billing.









