

Information to share with students considering the Nursing Program

This is also in the information packet that is given to the students

****** This page is not given to students, but the information can be reiterated to the students ******

1. A requirement of 70% in EACH component of the course: This is not just the average the student has in the class. It's per topic. That means if there are 3 tests in one topic- a student needs to get a 70% average in that topic to move to the next topic and remain in the course.

70% is passing- this is generous considering it is one point above failing and students are dealing with human lives.

It needs to be made very clear that if a student does not pass a section, the student will be removed immediately from the program, and their schedule will be rearranged.

2. Students need to understand High School PN follows the same adult attendance policy of the program. (see PN handbook).

A Practical Nursing student may not miss more than 10% of their classroom hours per course. Acceptable absences for the Practical Nursing student are:

| Course | Total Theory & Lab Hours in Program | Total Clinical Hours in Program | Acceptable Absences |
|---------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| PRN0098 | 213 | 87 | 21.3 theory hours and 1 clinical day |
| PRN0099 | 160 | 140 | 16 theory hours and 1 clinical day |
| PRN0290 | 137 | 163 | 13.7 theory hours and 1 clinical day |
| PRN0291 | 90 | 210 | 9 theory hours and 1 clinical day |
| PRN0690 | 75 | 75 | 7.5 theory hours and 1 clinical day |

Students may be dismissed from the program if absences exceed the amount allowed and stated herein.

3. This is not a program to "try out." Students must be committed.
4. Study habits need to be considered. Nursing is not memorizing content, its applying, and using critical thinking. IF the student does not READ the book and study at least 3 hours a day, they may not be successful.
5. The program WILL go through the summer. Students are required to provide their own transportation over the summer to campus and clinical sites. (The clinical sites are anywhere in Broward County)
6. There may be changes to admission requirements in the future. (testing, GPA, etc)
7. Final thought: If a student doesn't make it through the program, it is not the last chance at becoming a nurse. The student can come back as an adult and take the adult program. Sometimes it's just not the right time.