2010 LVN/Paramedic Transition Nursing Application Process

1. The LSC-Tomball nursing program is not its own college or school. You must apply to the Admission office in the Commons area (or be a student at an LSCS campus) before you can apply for the nursing program. Submit transcripts and placement test scores from all non-LSCS colleges and universities to the Transcript department. Allow time for the transcripts to be received, analyzed and entered into the computer system. All courses that you wish to transfer in and apply to the Nursing program application must be entered into the computer system prior to turning in the Nursing application. If you have completed courses at another college within the LSCS system, you do not need to submit transcripts because we all share one computer system. Transcripts must be analyzed and posted in the computer in order to submit your application for the nursing program.

2. You need to be TSI/SSI complete to apply. If you are unsure of your status, ask in Admissions/Enrollment Services.

3. Change your major in admissions to Transition to Professional Nursing For Articulating Students program (AAS.PRNR), catalog year 2009. Changing your major allows you to print your Academic Evaluation (degree plan) for the Nursing Program and Academic Profile.

4. Take the Nursing Pre-Entrance Exam (HESI Assessment Test). This is required of all Nursing applicants. No other test scores can be substituted. If you take this test at LSC-Tomball your scores will show on your Advising Profile within 4-5 days (they must be manually entered). You will need to have test scores before you can submit a completed application. You may use existing HESI scores as long as you have completed the Reading and Math sections. You can use old HESI scores (as long as you meet the minimum passing scores) as they do not expire. If this test was not taken within the college system of LSCS, you will need to obtain copies of your scores to submit with your application. The test will be available from Wednesday, January 20 – Feb. 22, 2010. The test is $25 and can be paid by cash, check, or credit or debit card in the LSC-Tomball Business Office. Print a Nursing Testing Ticket from the Nursing website and take it with you to the Business Office. Additional instruction can be found on the actual Nursing Testing Ticket. You can pay for the test and return at a later date to take the exam but the assessment center does not make appointment, testing is first-come, first serve.

The HESI test is computerized and is given in the Assessment Center, Library building, room L-201. A practice book for the HESI A2 pre-entrance exam can be purchased on the HESI website, www.hesitest.com. A copy of this book is also on reserve in the LSC-Tomball Library.

5. The paper application the LVN/Paramedic Transition will be available on the website on Wednesday, January 20, 2010. LVN/Paramedic Transition will need to complete a paper application checklist and application, attach the requested documents and turn that in to the Admissions front counter by Friday, March 1, 2010. When all of your non-LSCS transcripts have been analyzed and entered into the computer system, use My Records system on the LSC-Tomball homepage to print out a copy of your (1) Advising Profile and (2) Program/Academic Evaluation. Check these documents for accuracy. If there is an error, contact the Admissions department. Changes made in the LSC-Tomball computer take one or two business days to show up in My Records. Please allow sufficient time so that you can submit your application by the deadline.

A completed application packet consists of pages 3, 4, and 5 plus your Academic Profile and Evaluation.

Notification letters will be mailed in April. No information will be given over the phone. The program will begin in July.

6. No proof of immunization are due at the time of application, however, you are encouraged to begin the Hepatitis B vaccination series in January as this series takes six (6) months to complete. You will need to have the series completed by June (Transition students). Please do not attach immunization records to your application.

If you need to receive a new tetanus shot because your previous tenanus shot is more than 2 years old, please request the Tdap (combined Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis) vaccine rather than the older Tetanus/Diphtheria (Td) shot. If you received the Td or Tdap vaccination within the last 2 years, you will not need a new shot. All other immunizations required for new students will be outlined at orientation once you have been admitted into the program.

7. After you have been accepted into our program, you will be required to submit a Background Check from Ll1 Identity (information will be given out at new student orientation). You will also be required to submit to a urine drug screening. If you fail the required drug screening, you will not be allowed to continue in the program.

8. If you were dismissed from or failed in a previous nursing program (Vocational Nursing, Associate Degree Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, etc.), you must submit both a letter from the Nursing Dean/Director of your previous program and a personal letter from you indicating your intent to apply for the Nursing program. Your letter should include a summary of your academic history, explain your withdrawal/failure, and outline how you will be successful in our program. These letters should be submitted well before the application deadline to allow time for review by the Nursing Director.
TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR ARTICULATING STUDENTS Checklist
PRE-ADMISSION CHECKLIST

Student Name: ______________________________ SS # __________________________

Please complete the following form with the appropriate attachments and submit with the Transition Program for Articulating students application between January 20, 2010 and March 1, 2010 to the front counter in LSC-Tomball Admissions.

1. __ Student has been accepted at an LSCS college: ____________________________
   College ID Number

2. __ Student has submitted official transcripts from every non-LSCS college or university attended

3. __ Student has a TASP/THEA status of Passed or has completed the Student Success Initiative. See advisor if unsure.

4. __ I have attached a current copy (2009-2010) of my LSCS Advising Profile.

5. __ I have attached a current copy of my Academic Evaluation for Nursing (AAS.PRNR 2010).

6. __ Student has completed BIOL 2401, within the past 5 years with a grade of _____, date of completion______
   OR completed BIOL 2401 more than 5 years ago and have attached a certificate showing completion of the
   BIOL 2401 refresher course thru Continuing Education.

7. __ Student has completed BIOL 2401, within the past 5 years with a grade of _____, date of completion______
   OR completed BIOL 2402 more than 5 years ago and have attached a certificate showing completion of the
   BIOL 2402 refresher course thru Continuing Education.

8. __ Student has completed ENG 1301 with the grade ______

9. __ Student has completed PSYC 2301 with the grade ______

10. __ Student has completed PSYC 2314 with the grade ______

11. __ Student has completed SOCI 1301 with the grade ______

12. __ Student has completed RNSG 1301 with the grade ______

13. __ Student has attached a copy of my current Texas LVN or Paramedic license

14. __ Student is currently employed as an LVN or Paramedic at ____________________________

15. __ I have previously been enrolled in a nursing program that I did not complete. I have previously submitted a letter from the dean/director of my school and my own personal letter requesting approval to apply to the program.

Applicant or Advisor Signature
_______________________________________________________________

Upon completion of the Pre-Admission Checklist, take this form along with the appropriate attachments, and the completed Nursing Application and documents (See #4 & 5) to the LSC-Tomball Admissions front counter.

DEADLINE IS MARCH 1, 2010
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM
TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR ARTICULATING STUDENTS

Rank in order your preferred location:
LSC-Cy-Fair _____  LSC-Kingwood _____  LSC-North Harris _____  LSC Montgomery _____  LSC-Tomball _____

Name: ________________________________ Social Security Number ________________

(Last)   (First & Middle Initial)   (Previous Name(s))

Address: _______________________________________________________________________

(Street)   (Apt. #)   (City)   (State)   (Zip)

Telephone Number: home (_______) ___________________ work (_______) _______________________

Cell phone (_______) ___________________ E-mail __________________________

Name of LVN or Paramedic school: __________________________ Date of graduation: ______________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Current Texas LVN licensure: # ______________________ Exp. Date ____________________ (attach copy)

Current Texas Paramedic or National Registry licensure: # ______________________ Exp. Date ____________________ (attach copy)

Current LVN or Paramedic Employment

________________________________________________________________________

Place                                                         Years                                      Unit

STATEMENT OF STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY

I have read the admission procedures for the Associate Degree Nursing program at Lone Star College System (LSCS). By submitting an application, I agree to abide by the admission requirements of the nursing program. To be considered for the 2010 Transition Class, I accept full responsibility for submitting a completed admission packet by March 1, 2010, 4:00 pm. I further understand that I will not be accepted into the nursing program until I have completed all admission requirements.

Once I have submitted my admission packet to the college of my first choice, I understand that it is my responsibility to inform this office of any change in my status, address, telephone number, intentions to enroll or any other information that would affect my entrance into the program. I understand that if I am not accepted into the 2010 Transition Class, I will need to reapply for the next class.

I understand that the purpose of this program is to prepare me to be eligible to write the NCLEX-RN licensing examination to become a registered nurse. I may be ineligible to take the licensure examination if I have been hospitalized or treated for mental illness or chemical dependency or convicted for other than a minor traffic violation. I understand it is my responsibility to petition the Board of Nursing (512.305.6818) for a declaratory order as to eligibility.

I have been informed that outside employment should be limited to 20 hours per week or less for optimal academic performance, and that working full time or working the 11-7 shift makes it difficult to succeed in the program. I understand that the intensity of the program requires a serious commitment of time and effort, due to the shortened time frame.

Students applying to the LSCS nursing programs must adhere to the Code of Conduct and other policies of the ADN program. Applicants to the nursing program are expected to conduct themselves professionally. Applicants who become disruptive may not have their applications considered.

I certify that the information I provided is true and that I have read the above statements.

Date: ______________________________ Signature: ______________________________

Complete and return the application to the Tomball College Advising front desk by March 1, 2010.

Lone Star College System is committed to the principle of equal opportunity in education and employment. LSCS does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, disability, age, veteran status, nationality or ethnicity in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, employment policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other college-administered programs and activities.
### Scoring Chart for Admission

**TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR ARTICULATING STUDENTS 2010**

**Student Name:** ____________________  **Student ID#** ____________________

All courses accepted into the Professional Nursing Program must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher. ALL required Biology courses must be taken no more than five (5) years prior to admission to the nursing program. For the Spring, 2010 application period, BIOL courses must be taken Spring 2005 or later.

#### Ranking Criteria for Admission

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**Student** : ____________________  **Date** ____________________

**Nursing Department** : ____________________  **Date** ____________________