

Northwood High School Student Application

Nursing Fundamentals, Honors

Northwood High School is pleased that you are applying to take Nursing Fundamentals. This honors course is designed to help you prepare to become a qualified healthcare professional.

Students accepted into this course must assume responsibility for appropriate behavior and safe practice. As a requirement for this upper-level course, you will participate in clinical rotations in a clinical healthcare setting. This is a serious responsibility because you will be in direct contact with patients and healthcare professionals. In order to participate in the clinical rotation, you must first complete the classroom portion of the course where you will demonstrate safe and competent execution of the 69 nurse aide skills that are required prior to the clinical experience. Due to the pace, rigorousness and requirements of this course, 100% on time attendance is required.

The objective of clinicals is to provide you with a meaningful experience while assuring patient, student, and visitor safety. You will be expected to comply with all directions of your instructor, apply what you learn in your coursework, be respectful of patients and the healthcare professionals with whom you interact, and closely abide by the requirements stated in this application that you and your parent/guardian must sign. You will be required to comply with healthcare facilities' policies, procedures and regulations, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

If you are accepted into Nursing Fundamentals but do not abide by the requirements as stated in this application, the course syllabus and the NHS code of conduct, there will be three consequences:

1. You will be removed from the classroom/ clinical setting and assigned to another setting for the remainder of the semester (ISS or other assignment determined by administration), and
2. You will receive a failing grade and no credit for the course, and
3. You may not graduate on time due to the loss of course credit (depending on your graduation status and chosen course of study).

If you are not willing to accept the responsibilities that come with taking Nursing Fundamentals, and the consequences that result from not meeting those responsibilities, you need to meet with your School Counselor or Career Development Coordinator to discuss your course selection and career plan.

All students who apply to take Nursing Fundamentals will be evaluated using objective criteria that includes high school attendance, grades and discipline, as well as the results of a criminal record check. Additionally, student's answers to application questions and teacher recommendations will be reviewed for evidence of the applicant's maturity, responsibility, initiative, integrity, good judgment, respect, service orientation, problem-solving skills, and self-discipline. All of these factors are critical to ensure that healthcare workers and patients in a clinical setting can depend on our students to act in a safe and professional manner.

If you have any questions or concerns about Nursing Fundamentals or the application process, please contact the NHS Nursing Fundamentals teacher (Mrs. Fogle jfogle@chatham.k12.nc.us).

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PLEASE PRINT

Name

LAST	FIRST	MIDDLE
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Mailing Address

City _____, NC Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____

Current Grade Level – Circle One: 11th

Your Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

Name(s): _____

Contact/Work Phone Number(s): _____

- Why do you want to enroll in this Nursing Fundamentals Honors course?*
- What are your plans after graduation from high school?*
- What are your career goals?*
- Please list any special recognition or awards that you have earned, or special skills that you possess.*

Future healthcare professionals should not use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco. Please be aware that all school policies regarding the use of drugs, alcohol, and/or tobacco will be strictly enforced during clinical experiences including the period of time traveling to and from clinical sites. Are you willing to comply with this requirement?

Circle One: Yes No

Briefly describe your health history in regards to any condition that we need to be aware of to ensure your safety and the safety of patients in the clinical setting. This information will be kept confidential.

I understand that I will be required to do the following to participate in and maintain a Nursing Fundamentals classroom and clinical internship/mentorship (complete and sign in blue or black ink):

- Have required pre-requisite courses, which have been passed with a 75 or better grade. Required courses are:

Health Science 1 – Spring / Fall (circle one) _____ (Year)

Health Science 2 - Spring / Fall (circle one) _____ (Year)

- Professional Rescuer Adult, Infant & Child CPR with AED certification is required. This course is taught in Health Sciences II. Students missing all or part of this unit will be required to obtain certification on their own before beginning clinical. Students will not be allowed in the clinical setting without this certification.
- Purchase my own uniform and shoes as approved by the Nursing Fundamentals teacher within the first 2 weeks of the semester.
- Acquire and wear a working watch with a second hand, daily.
- Maintain a 75 average in the Nursing Fundamentals course.
- Provide my immunization record including a current TB skin test within the designated time frame.
- Complete the vaccination series for Varicella and Hepatitis B prior to the first day of class.
- Understand and abide by the attendance requirements, professional conduct and safe practice requirements of the Nursing Fundamentals, Honors course as stated in this application, the course syllabus and the Chatham County Schools code of conduct. Behave in a professional manner up to the standards of the Nursing Fundamentals teacher and clinical sites at all times.
- To use approved transportation (school provided or private if allowed) to my clinical sites.
- Females only -- tell my teacher if I become pregnant (To avoid classroom or clinical hazardous areas).
- Maintain a clean criminal and school discipline record.
- Submit for criminal background check and/or drug test if required by clinical site(s).
- Understand that failure to abide by the requirements as stated in this application, the course syllabus and NHS code of conduct will result in removal from the course, a failing grade, loss of credit, no certificate of completion and no eligibility to take the NC NA 1 exam.
- Respect patient rights and confidentiality at all times.

Signature of Student Applicant _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Information

To be completed by the applicant's parent/guardian. Please complete and sign in blue or black ink:

By signing below, I grant permission for my son/daughter, _____ (print name), to participate in instructional activities located in healthcare facilities such as hospitals, physicians' offices, dental offices, health departments, nursing homes, pharmacies, etc.

Additionally, I understand that my son/daughter and I will be required to do the following to be admitted into the course and allowed to participate in the required Nursing Fundamentals, Honors clinical internship/mentorship:

- Ensure my son/daughter has achieved Adult, Infant & Child CPR w/AED certification prior to the first day of class.
- Purchase a uniform and shoes as approved by the Nursing Fundamentals teacher within the time frame set by the teacher.
- Purchase a watch with a second hand.
- Have my son/daughter tested for Tuberculosis (TB) within the first 30 days of the semester.
- Pay for the vaccines and/or TB screening, if needed.
- Attend an orientation session for parents/guardians if needed.
- Maintain a 75 average in the Nursing Fundamentals, Honors course.
- Ensure my son/daughter has reliable transportation to clinical sites, including permission to use school provided transportation.
- Ensure my son/daughter is covered by auto accident insurance.
- Acknowledge that health insurance is strongly recommended for Nursing Fundamentals students, the school does not provide health insurance for students. Documentation of health insurance may be required by some clinical sites.

I also understand that if my son/daughter is accepted into the Nursing Fundamentals, Honors class but does not abide by the requirements as stated in the application, syllabus and NHS code of conduct, there will be three consequences:

1. *Your son/daughter will be removed from the classroom/clinical setting and assigned to another setting for the remainder of the semester (ISS or other assignment determined by administration), and*
2. *Your son/daughter will receive a failing grade and no credit for the course, and*
3. *Your son/daughter may not graduate on time due to the loss of course credit (depending on his/her graduation status and chosen course of study).*

If you and your son/daughter are not willing to accept the responsibilities that come with taking the Nursing Fundamentals, Honors course, and the consequences that result from not meeting these responsibilities, then you and your son/daughter need to meet with a School Counselor or the Career Development Coordinator to discuss his/her course selection and career plan.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Parents/Guardian Name (print) _____ Date _____

Reflection (at least 10 sentences)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student has a well-written reflection; states a strong, clear interest in a career in healthcare • Student has an adequately-written reflection (occasional spelling/grammatical errors); expresses a strong, clear interest in pursuing a career in healthcare • Student has a poorly-written reflection (numerous spelling/grammatical errors); expresses a strong, clear interest in pursuing a career in healthcare • No reflection submitted, or poorly-written with no real interest in pursuing a career in healthcare 	6 4 2 0		
Health Science Grades	Weighted average of grades earned in Health Sciences classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D 	6 5 3 0		
GPA	Weighted GPA at time of application: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.5 or greater • 4.0- 4.4 • 3.5-3.9 • 3.0-3.4 • 2.5-2.9 • 2.0-2.4 • < 2.0 	6 5 4 3 2 1 0		
Attendance (See Note Below)	Absences occurring in previous Health Sciences classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Average of 2-3 absence per semester • Average of 4-5 absences per semester • Average of 5-6 absences per semester • Greater than 7 absences per semester • Greater than 8 absences 	6 4 2 0 Not Eligible		
Discipline	Unacceptable behavior in the academic school year prior to enrollment in upper-level Health Sciences course: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No discipline referrals • Any discipline infractions resulting in ISS OR Evidence of out-of-school suspension (OSS) or criminal record (if applicable)	6 Not Eligible		
Rec. Forms Completed by 3 Teachers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 points – Highly recommended • 2 points – Recommended • 1 point – Recommended with reservations • 0 points – Undecided/Not Recommended 	Up to 6 (max. of 3 each)		
TOTAL	Minimum of 24 points required for approval	36		

Excessive absences due to a chronic medical condition may be excluded from the total number of absences at the discretion of the Screening Committee provided appropriate documentation is submitted by the student. If this exemption is requested the student must be cleared for participation in the clinical experience by a physician. Exam exemption absences will not be included in the total number of absences for this standard.

Nursing Fundamentals Student Application Teacher Recommendation

Student Name: _____

Recommending teacher: Thank you for taking the time to complete this recommendation form. Your recommendation and comments are valuable to the Nursing Fundamentals, Honors screening committee. The responses you provide will not be seen by the student and will be kept in strict confidence by the committee.

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On a scale of 1-5, with 1 being the weakest score and 5 the strongest, please rate this student on the following characteristics: (Circle one number per item)

	Weak		Average		Strong
• Responsible for homework, projects, and assignments	1	2	3	4	5
• Mature in comparison to his/her classmates & others his/her age	1	2	3	4	5
• Respectful of teachers & other classmates; has a positive attitude	1	2	3	4	5
• Able and willing to follow instructions	1	2	3	4	5
• On task a high percentage of class time	1	2	3	4	5
• Comes to class on time and is well-prepared	1	2	3	4	5
• Actively participates and contributes to class	1	2	3	4	5
• Well-behaved and not a discipline problem	1	2	3	4	5
• Exhibits good problem-solving skills	1	2	3	4	5
• Honest, trustworthy	1	2	3	4	5
• Open to constructive criticism	1	2	3	4	5

Does this student have your recommendation for the Nursing Fundamentals, Honors program? (Check one.)

____ My highest recommendation

____ My recommendation

____ My recommendation with reservation (related comment should be written on the back of this form)

____ I am undecided

____ The applicant does not have my recommendation

Teacher Signature: _____ Date _____

Teacher Name (Print): _____

Subject Area(s): _____

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