

**Practical Nurse Education (PNE)  
Isothermal Community College (ICC)**

**Advanced Placement  
2008-2009**

**Applicants for advanced placement into the Practical Nurse Program must fulfill the following general admission requirements to be admitted to the Admissions Department of Isothermal Community College at PO Box 804, Spindale, NC 28160.**

**STEP ONE:**

- 1.** Complete an application for admission to ICC (paper or online at [www.isothermal.edu/admissions](http://www.isothermal.edu/admissions)). Indicate A55280AL as your program choice.
- 2.** Submit **all** official and sealed high school transcript(s) or GED scores (must be a high school graduate or the equivalent) from the issuing institution to the Admissions Office.
- 3.** Submit **all** official and sealed college transcript(s) to the Admissions Office. Please note that transfer credit can only be awarded for courses that reflect a GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- 4.** Complete college placement test (ASSET/COMPASS), which includes Reading, Writing and Math skills. Schedule of times and dates are available in the Career Center, Student Center Bld.10. Applicants who have completed college level courses in English, Math, and Reading at an accredited college(s) with a grade of “C” or better are exempt from the tests. Completion of only one of the above will require testing in the other areas. Developmental or enrichment courses completed at an accredited college with a grade of “C” or better may be considered in determining placement test exemptions.

**In order to receive a PN Diploma from ICC, students must earn 50 % of the credits required for graduation (24 of 48 hours) in their particular program at ICC (see College catalog sections—awarding of credit and graduation requirements.)**

**\*\*The requirements above (Step One) are only steps to complete the general admission requirements for Isothermal Community College. The section above does not fulfill the other requirements to be considered for admission into the LPN program. You must continue to follow the steps below. \*\***

## **STEP TWO:**

### **Practical Nursing Program Requirements**

5. Complete all developmental courses required as a result of placement tests with a grade of "C" or better.

Reading	RED 090
English	ENG 090
Mathematics	MAT 060

6. Overall, cumulative grade point average of 2.0 in all college courses.
7. Submit three (3) references completed by people other than family or close friends, in sealed envelopes. Persons giving references **must sign the back of the envelope over the seal.** School and work references are preferred. Reference forms are included in this information packet. References must be returned to Dr. Deborah Wiltshire in the Applied Sciences Building. **References are only good for a two year period. After this period the student must submit new references.**
8. All applicants **must** be certified as a CNA I to be considered for admission.
9. All applicants **must** have an Isothermal Community College student ID card made prior to the start of the program. ID cards are made during the first few weeks of Fall and Spring semester. Student ID cards are issued without charge to students who have paid the student activity fee.
10. All applicants **must** complete Basic Cardiac Life Support (CPR) for the **Healthcare Provider** through the American Heart Association.

- 11. While the following information is not required by Isothermal Community College for either general college admission or entrance into the nursing program, students should be aware that this information will be required by the personnel department at your future clinical location. Failure to provide this information to a clinical site in a timely fashion could result in a cancellation of your clinical site arrangements.**

At the student's expense, the following checks must be completed.

**Criminal Background Check  
OIG (Office of Inspector General) Check  
Drug Testing**

An acceptable background check is required for clinical experiences. The background checks will be completed during the first semester, NUR 101. Students must be able to attend clinical experiences in all agencies used by the college. Information for obtaining the background checks will be provided to all students by the Director of PNE.

- 12. Complete a math competency exam prior to the semester requested to enter. Applicants must pass the exam with an 85 or higher to be considered for acceptance into the PNE program as an advanced placement student.**

<b><u>Semester requested to enter</u></b>	<b><u>Dates for testing</u></b>
Fall semester (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	July 9, 2008 July 23, 2008 (Re-take for failures)
Spring semester (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	November 19, 2008 December 3, 2008 (Re-take for failures)

**A copy of conversions will be provided if needed.**

- 13. Complete student health information forms, including current immunizations and an updated physical examination.**

**The applicant is responsible for making sure that all requirements have been met and that all materials have been received by the Director of PNE before the deadlines noted below. Completion of these requirements does not guarantee that you will be accepted into the PNE program as an advanced placement student.**

**Selection Process**

**Deadlines**

	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> semester</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> semester</b>
1. Applicant must complete and pass the math competency exam.		
(1st attempt)	July 9, 2008	November 19, 2008
(2nd attempt)	July 23, 2008	December 3, 2008
2. All general admission requirements must be met.	July 23, 2008	December 3, 2008
3. Physical exam and immunization records must be completed and turned in to the Director of PNE.	July 23, 2008	December 3, 2008
4. Written notification of acceptance will be sent by the Director of Practical Nurse Education.	July 24, 2008	December 15, 2008
5. If selected, student must register for classes.	August 14 or 15, 2008	January 5 or 6, 2008

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## ADVANCED PLACEMENT WEIGHTED ADMISSIONS WORKSHEET

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ SS#: \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative 2.0 or higher GPA \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no

CNA I \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no

Criteria	Actual Score/Grade	Points Scored
<b>Math Competency</b> 93 - 100 = 4 points 85 - 92 = 2 points		
<b>CNA II</b> (2 points for CNA II)		
<b>Courses Taken Prior To Acceptance</b> <b>(points will be weighted according to credit hours of the course)</b> Anatomy & Physiology I Anatomy & Physiology II Basic A & P Developmental Psychology Life Span Development Expository Writing Introduction to Computers Success & Study Skills	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<b>Cumulative GPA based only on the above courses taken</b> 3.5 – 4.00 = 8 points 3.0 – 3.49 = 6 points 2.5 – 2.99 = 4 points 2.0 – 2.49 = 2 points		

**Total Score** \_\_\_\_\_