



CISCO COLLEGE

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Cisco College Respiratory Care Program Sees Success Amid Challenges

Abilene, Texas - September 4, 2020 - The spring and summer semesters of 2020 brought new challenges to students and professors alike. COVID-19 arrived and threw everyone into uncharted territory, but that did not keep the Cisco College Respiratory Care program from achieving success.

“The class in general conquered a lot of different obstacles,” said Tracy Talley, Cisco College Respiratory Care Program Director. “The Respiratory Care program has always been a face-to-face format, and the spring of 2020 forced us to change that rather rapidly,” she said. “The class that graduated in August of 2020 handled everything with grace and understanding, even though it was very challenging.”

Along with dealing with COVID-19 safety precautions, the class also dealt with internet challenges and adjusting to an online learning platform. Some of the issues were expected since all students had transitioned to an online learning environment.

The students remained flexible and navigated through the uncharted territory. The class as a whole ended up with 13 graduates, and had a 99% completion rate. Some of these students have already succeeded in their board exams. Already 96% are employed and are staying in the Abilene area.

The Respiratory Care program continues to see growth and has 20 students enrolled for this Fall. For more information about the Respiratory Care program at Cisco College, visit the Abilene campus or www.cisco.edu, or contact Tracy Talley via email at tracy.talley@cisco.edu.

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About Cisco College

Since first admitting students in 1940, Cisco College has offered programs and activities intended to encourage lifelong learning and enhance the quality of life in the communities it serves.

As a member of the Texas state system of publicly supported institutions of higher education, Cisco College maintains an open-door admissions policy and provides an array of learning, skill development and life experiences to motivate and challenge students. Classes are offered at two primary locations, Cisco and Abilene, in addition to several other off-campus sites. The College strives to maintain a student/faculty ratio which facilitates close interaction between faculty and students.

Cisco College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award Associate level degrees.