



Valley Health & Blue Ridge Community & Technical College

Valley Health Medical Transport - Satellite Paramedic Program

Information Sheet

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Partnership Information:

Valley Medical Transport and Blue Ridge Community & Technical College Partner for New Paramedic Program

Valley Medical Transport (VMT) and Blue Ridge Community and Technical College (BRCTC) are thrilled to announce a new partnership that will bring a satellite campus to VMT's main location at 190 Prosperity Drive in Winchester, VA. This collaboration marks a significant step in VMT's commitment to offering high-quality, flexible, and engaging paramedic training to its employees and the wider community.

The comprehensive paramedic program will span 11 months, commencing on **October 20, 2025**. Classes will be held every **Monday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM**, supplemented by weekly assignments and online lectures. The curriculum also includes mandatory clinical hours, providing students with essential hands-on experience.

Applying for the program is the first step toward enrolling in this exciting opportunity.

For any questions, please contact ems@Blueridgectc.edu or visit <https://www.valleyhealthlink.com/careers/learning-opportunities/emt-paramedic-training/>.

Paramedic Information:

The Paramedic program equips you to be a vital part of emergency medical services, providing advanced life support to critically ill and injured patients. Through a combination of classroom instruction, lab simulations, and hands-on clinical rotations, you'll gain the knowledge and skills to assess patients, administer medications, manage complex medical emergencies, and transport patients to definitive care. Upon successful completion of this Paramedic course, a student will be authorized to take the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) Paramedic cognitive examination.

Mission Statement:

Blue Ridge Community and Technical College provides our diverse student population with life-changing education, training and services that drive economic development within the communities we serve.

Course Format

Students enrolling in the program will have a structured weekly schedule. Every Monday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., students are required to attend a lecture review and lab day. Beyond this fixed weekly session, students will also complete clinical rotations, which they'll schedule themselves based on available shifts. While most of the program adheres to this schedule, occasional weekends or additional days may be necessary, though these will be limited. A significant portion of the learning will occur through the Learning Management System, where students will access weekly online lectures and assignments. The program is designed to run for approximately 48 weeks (11 months), commencing on October 20, 2025, with a tentative completion date in late August 2026.

Course Requirements

Students must understand the academic and physical rigor including substantial time commitment that surrounds EMS education, technical standards, and certification/licensure. Successful completion of this course requires satisfaction of all Paramedic program requirements including affective domain, didactic (coursework), psychomotor (lab), high stakes examinations (FISDAP), and certifying body (CoAEMSP) requirements to include all required field/hospital clinical hours.

Minimum Clinical Hours

Note: It is extremely rare for a Paramedic Student to complete the requirements in the minimum hours.

Site	Hours
ER	124
Pediatrics	8
Labor & Delivery	8
Critical Care	8
RT	8
Cardiac Cath Lab	8
OR	8
Field Hours	144
Capstone Internship	48
Minimum Hours	364

Cost to the Student

The all-inclusive tuition for this program is \$8,500.

We understand that funding your education is a significant consideration. Valley Health offers funding arrangements for its employees. If you're a Valley Health employee and wish to explore these options, please reach out directly to Senior Director Craig Barrett at cbarrett@valleyhealthlink.com.

Please note: This specific course is not eligible for federal financial aid.

Castlebranch / Clinical Requirements / Immunizations

Students will submit the following documentation at the start of orientation into Castlebranch. **Failure to submit this documentation may result in dismissal from this program.** Additional paperwork and onboarding tasks will be completed during this time.

- EMT License
- NIMS 100, 200, 700, 800
- MCI, Hazmat, and HIPAA training
- Immunization Records Including:
 - Blue Ridge's Health Data Sheet & Physical
 - Yearly PPD Results
 - Flu Vaccination (this will be due yearly)
 - COVID Vaccination Card
 - All immunizations otherwise on the datasheet

How to Apply for the Valley Health – BRCTC Paramedic Program

Step One – Apply for the Program

1. www.blueridgectc.edu
2. Click on the **APPLY NOW** button
3. For first time users - Click Create ACCOUNT

If you have already completed an application - Log In to your account

4. Academic Plans:
 - Select the term you plan to enroll...
 - FALL 2025
 - Please select the statement that applies...
 - I am enrolling as a non-degree seeking student
5. Complete the remainder of the application
6. Ensure that you upload your ID to the Application

Step Two – Submit VMT – BRCTC Paramedic Program Online Application

Complete and submit your BRCTC Paramedic Application online. You can access the application form by clicking on this link: <https://forms.gle/EsnhxQWMUh4H4rYj7>

Make sure to fill out all required fields accurately before submitting.

Step Three (Complete Castlebranch Requirements)

Upon receiving your program application form, you will be sent a dedicated CastleBranch link. This link is essential for submitting all necessary immunization and physical documentation required for the clinical components of your program.

Key Information:

- **Due Date:** All clinical requirements submitted via CastleBranch are due by **October 15, 2025**.
- **CastleBranch Code Fee:** Please be aware that if you utilize the CastleBranch code and then withdraw from the program before the first day of class, a **\$200 fee** will be charged to you.
- **COVID-19 Vaccination:** The COVID-19 vaccination is **not** a required immunization for this program.

Questions:

For any inquiries regarding CastleBranch, please contact our Clinical Coordinator directly at ems@Blueridgectc.edu.

Step Four (Associated Items)

To ensure a smooth and successful start to your program, please complete the following mandatory and recommended tasks prior to orientation.

Mandatory Preparations:

1. Blackboard Practice Course (MUST COMPLETE): Familiarize yourself with Blackboard, our learning management system, by completing this interactive practice course:
 - Link: https://rise.articulate.com/share/dEjLuUwSMgJsrlKDIJGRUhnJL68tSVG#/lessons/rawpCn520dY_DguJSKiMIsuuiMnG1jDP
2. TIMS Training: Completing this training will significantly reduce stress during your initial weeks.
 - Link: <https://learning.respondersafety.com/Clusters/National-TIM-Training-Certificate.aspx>
3. Document Preparation (PDF Format Required): Gather the following documents and convert each into a separate PDF file:
 - EMT Certification (State and National)
 - CPR Certification
 - High School Diploma or Official Transcript
 - NIMS 100 Certification
 - NIMS 200 Certification
 - NIMS 700 Certification
 - NIMS 800 Certification
 - Driver's License
4. Virginia EMT Reciprocity (If Applicable): If you hold an EMS credential from another state and need to gain reciprocity for Virginia EMT, please find detailed information here:
 - Link: <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/emergency-medical-services/education-certification/provider-resources/how-to-become-an-emergency-medical-services-provider-in-virginia/i-hold-an-ems-credential-in-another-state/>
5. VAOEMS Portal Access: All students must ensure they have active access to their Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services (VAOEMS) Portal before attending orientation.

6. Review First Class Paperwork: Carefully review this document, which includes important information regarding functional job descriptions, ADA accommodations, and NREMT accommodations.

- Link: <https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/content/uploads/sites/23/2019/01/ALS-First-Class-Paperwork-1-2-20-Locked-for-web.pdf>

Recommended Preparations (For an Easier Transition):

To ease your transition into the program and build a strong foundational knowledge, we highly recommend completing the following free courses:

1. Anatomy and Physiology Course:
 - Link: <https://oli.cmu.edu/courses/anatomy-physiology-i-ii-v2-academic/>
2. Medical Terminology Course:
 - Link: <https://www.dmu.edu/medterms/>

Step Five (Attend Student Orientation)

Students are required to attend orientation:

- DATE: Monday, October 20, 2025
- TIME: 0900
- LOCATION: Valley Medical Transport
- ADDRESS: 190 Prosperity Dr, Winchester, VA 22602