

Students enrolled in NWTC Dental programs should be able to meet the established technical standards identified below with or without reasonable accommodation(s). The technical standards for the Dental programs are representative of those found in the Dental professions.

Technical Standards Area and Functions

Area	Functions (not inclusive) with or without reasonable accommodations
Physical Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bend, stretch, twist, reach with your body above shoulders, below waist, and in front • Manipulate instruments applying principles of ergonomic body mechanics • Participate in peer practice, including being operator and patient • Manipulate, assemble, and move equipment • Maintain physical activity for several hours
Sensory Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detect differences in body and environmental odors • Understand and respond to patient requests and needs • Detect environmental hazards • Detect warning signals on equipment displays • Ability to work with sharps devices, including needles/syringes
Communication Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speak, read, and write English • Listen and comprehend spoken and written English • Collaborate with others • Respond to others in an accepting and respectful manner • Ability to discuss personal information with lab partners and patients (medical history, dental history, medical consultation, etc.)
Critical Thinking Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom to a clinical setting • Comprehend and follow instructions • Follow processes from start to finish; sequence information • Adapt decisions based on new information • Maintain focus in an environment with distractions • Making safe judgements
Professionalism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish a professional working relationship with the health care team, peers, instructors, patients, and families • Demonstrate positive interpersonal skills with patients, peers, faculty • Demonstrate impulse control and professional level of maturity • Maintain appropriate boundaries in relationships with patients and peers • Handle demanding and stressful situations • Maintain confidential health care information (including by refraining from posting any confidential patient information on social media)
Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear personal protective equipment for safe practices (gloves, masks, eyewear, gown) • Tolerate heat and humidity • Work in an environment that may contain common allergens • Adhere to safety/emergency protocols including Bloodborne Pathogen Standard and Chemical Hazard Communication Standard. • Recognize and respond to hazardous conditions (infectious diseases) • Maintain health care requirements • Carefully handle supplies and equipment throughout the course

Read Acknowledgement

_____ **I have read the Technical Standards specific to a student in the Dental Hygiene program.**
(Initials of student and parent or guardian if student under 18.)

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. § 12101, et. Seq.) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794) prohibits discrimination of persons because of her or his disability. In keeping with these laws, colleges of the Wisconsin Technical College System make every effort to insure a quality education for students. The purpose of completing the Dental Hygiene Technical Standards is to ensure that students acknowledge that they have been provided information on the technical standards required of a student in the Dental programs. And to assure all students can meet the technical standards requirements of this program.

Disability Contact Acknowledgement

_____ **I understand I must contact the NWTC Disability Services office for information concerning**
_____ accommodations or special services and/or career evaluation.
(Initials of student and parent or guardian if student under 18.)

Services for learners with disabilities at all campuses are coordinated through the Disability Services office on the Green Bay campus. To obtain information concerning accommodations or special services, call (920) 498-6904 or (800) 442-NWTC, extension 6904 or email to disability.services@nwtc.edu. Counselors/Advisors at the Sturgeon Bay or Marinette campuses and staff at the Regional Learning Centers can also arrange services at the Green Bay office. *NWTC reserves the right to request additional information which may include a medical examination.* For more information related to the reasonable accommodation process, please visit: [Disability Services at NWTC](#).

Student/Parent or Guardian initials and signature confirm the student has read and understands the *Technical Standards* specific to a student in the Dental Hygiene program and how to access the Disability Services office in the event accommodations are needed at this time.

Student Signature

Date

Student - Print Name

Student ID

Parent or Guardian Signature (if student under 18 years of age)

Date