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## Veterinary Science Academy TARPON SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL



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## OUR DIVERSE CURRICULUM INCLUDES:

- Anatomy
- Biology

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- Chemistry
- Pharmacology
- Anesthesiology
- Surgery
- Equine Science
- Parasitology
- Surgical Nursing
- Handling and Restraint
- Animal Behavior
- Grooming
- Breed Identification
- Federal and State Laws
- Career Explorations

The rigorous and relevant integrated curriculum is supported by Academy academic instructors to enhance the students' educational experiences.



Studies encompass five veterinary assisting levels. In addition to the core veterinary curriculum, students operate and manage the school-based grooming and doggie day-care enterprise made available to the public. Proceeds are used to support and enhance the Academy.

While enrolled in the Veterinary Science Academy, students may earn college credits through an articulation agreement with the Veterinary Technology Program at St. Petersburg College.

Students have the opportunity to earn nationally recognized certification as a Certified Veterinary Assistant (CVA) from the Florida Veterinary Medical Association (FVMA).

Upper level students have the opportunity to demonstrate veterinary assisting skills mastery by assisting veterinarians during

surgical procedures in our state-of-the-art classroom surgical suite. Our surgical suite is the only one of its kind on the west coast of Florida.



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Local business partners work closely with the Academy to enhance school-to-work initiatives and professionalism through internships and cooperative education placements.



Upon completion of the program, students are eligible for the Gold Seal Scholarship.