The Allied Health Department at Pensacola State College has recommended that students who complete the **high school courses listed below** while enrolled in the West Florida High School Sports Medicine Academy and who meet the established requirements for entrance to the college’s PTA-AAS program will be granted Candidate status into the Physical Therapist Assistant Associate of Applied Science Degree program at Pensacola State College.

To best prepare themselves for the PTA-AAS program at Pensacola State, high school students are advised to:

1) **Achieve a 3.00 GPA for high school graduation**

2) **Earn a 3.00 (no grade lower than a “B”) for all Health/Science courses in the courses in their Career Academy. Those courses are:**

   - Medical Skills and Services
   - Health Science I
   - Health Science II
   - And
   - Allied Health Assisting 3

3) **High school students are encouraged to take the following courses:**
   - Anatomy & Physiology
   - Algebra II or Precalculus (4th year of Math)

Additionally, high school students may wish to further their achieving the PTA-AAS Candidate status by taking college courses through Dual Enrollment. Students are encouraged to seek the advice of their counselor.

**Suggested Pensacola State College courses are:**

- BSC 1093 – Anatomy and Physiology I
- BSC 1093L – Anatomy and Physiology I Lab
- HLP 1081 – Concepts of Life Fitness
- ENC 1101 – English Composition I
- MAC 1105 College Algebra
The above courses are available as evening courses, as well as distance (web-based) learning.

It is important that students considering Dual Enrollment should consult with the Pensacola State College Coordinator of Dual Enrollment when selecting courses.

Student Eligibility

- To be eligible for admission to the college’s PTA-AAS program students must meet all of the college requirements necessary for admission to the college as well as those admissions requirements unique to the PTA-AAS program. All applications are available on-line at:

  http://www.pensacolastate.edu/students/programs/HealthRelatedPrograms.asp

- It is essential that applicants to the college’s PTA-AAS program have a thorough understanding of all the requirements for program admission. Complete and up-to-date requirements can be found at:

  http://pensacolastate.edu/docs/programs/pta-aas/PTA.pdf