

Pike County Training Center
Emergency Medical Technician
Spring 2027 Class
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Class Dates & Times: Tuesday and Thursday nights, 1830-2230
Occasional Saturdays, 0800-1600*
First Day – Tuesday, March 2, 2027
Last Day – Saturday, June 12, 2027

Course Fee: No fee for students for class. There is a fee for the NREMT written exam.

Course Textbook: Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured, 13th edition
Course ID:

*****do not choose open enrollment*****

Student Materials: These items should be with you at each class:

- Textbook (provided)
- Notebook and pen/pencil
- Laptop/Tablet is ok in place of notebook, but it must only be used for notes
- Wristwatch (NOT a “smart” watch)
- Blood pressure cuff and stethoscope (both provided)
- PCTC Uniform Shirt (for clinical time, also provided)

Course Objectives: Upon completion of this course, students who have satisfactorily met all the requirements set forth by NREMT and the PA DOH will have the opportunity to test for the EMT certification. Students will be able to describe the roles of EMS in the healthcare system, understand the standards required of an EMS provider, along with an understanding of the legal and ethical issues within EMS. Students will also be able to identify and treat a vast variety of medical illnesses and traumatic injuries, including but not limited to immediate life threats to a patient’s airway, breathing, and circulation. Students will also be able to apply principles of EMS operations, including transportation, MCI, hazardous material incidents, patient extrication, and allocation of EMS resources.

Student Expectations: Students are expected to arrive at class on time and be prepared to learn. Be respectful to your classmates, instructors, and PCTC staff. Be respectful of clinical staff and facilities, and represent yourself, the class, and the training center by acting professionally and dressing appropriately for these sessions. Engage in classroom discussions and skill stations, ask questions, and always put forth your best effort.

Attendance: Students are allowed no more than 8 total hours of unexcused absences. All in-class test dates are mandatory and are not to be missed. If a student is aware they will be absent for a class, it is requested they reach out to the class coordinator to inform them ahead of the class. Excessive tardiness will count towards hours of unexcused absences and may lead to removal of class.

Online: To keep up with the times, we will be offering a Zoom option this class. While being in class is always an option and should be your first option, we understand that things come up and sometimes staying home to attend class would be more beneficial. If you choose to attend class via Zoom, you **MUST** notify the instructor prior to 1700 hours the night of class. Failure to do so will require you to attend in person. If a class night is highlighted in yellow on the schedule, that indicates that everyone must attend class in person for that session. Please keep in mind that if you attend a session via Zoom,

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you must ensure you have a good internet connection and a device with camera and microphone abilities. Yes, you will be required to have your camera on during class.

Inclement Weather: This is NEPA, and we are not safe from snow as late as April. In the event of bad weather, you will be notified via email and/or text message. A message will also be put on the PCTC Facebook page. If it is a lecture night, all students will be required to log onto Zoom and class will be held there. If it is a lab night, it will be made up at a later date.

Additional Instruction Time: Any student who feels they would benefit from additional instructional time to better understand a concept, topic, or skill may contact the course coordinator and request additional time. The course coordinator will make all reasonable attempts to accommodate the student's request, however they are under no obligation to provide additional time. This supplemental instruction time is NOT a substitute for missed classroom time due to unexcused absences. Any request of the sorts will be rejected.

Communications: Any student who needs to get in touch with the course coordinator can reach out via email or cell phone, both listed above. Please monitor your email and texts, as these options will serve as the main sources of communication about class and any possible changes to the schedule. There is also a group email that will be utilized if any information needs to be relayed to the students.

Examinations: There will be 2 written exams during the class. A grade of 70% or above must be achieved on both the midterm and final exam to pass the class. You must be in the classroom on these nights with a working laptop, tablet, etc. In addition to the written exams, there will also be a final practical on the last day of class that you are also required to attend. You must earn 70% or better to pass the class. Failure to complete may result in removal from the class.

In addition to the midterm and final, you will have a quiz at the end of every week. The quizzes will be on the JBL website. These quizzes will range from 5 questions to 20. Each week, the questions will build on what we have gone over in class thus far. You need to obtain at least a 70% on these, but you have unlimited attempts to complete them within the time frame. These quizzes are part of the class requirements. Failure to complete may result in removal from the class.

Clinicals: Students will be required to make a minimum of 10 patient contacts in a clinical setting. Students are encouraged to complete as many patient contacts as possible, as it will only be beneficial in the long run. While you can complete as many as you want, only 10 patient contact forms will need to be handed in prior to the end of class. Clinicals will begin only after the class coordinator has given the students the all clear. At that time, the appropriate paperwork will be given to students, including a list of approved sites to do ride alongs and a ride along form that must be filled out at each ride along.

Additional Requirements: All students are also required to complete the following and submit the appropriate paperwork prior to the end of class to the class coordinator. ***Failure to do so will result in the student not being able to take the certification exam as they will have failed to meet the requirements.***

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- Government issued ID (copy)
- CPR (will receive in class)
- Hazmat Awareness (will receive in class)
- ICS 100 – course completion certificate must be submitted
- ICS 700 – course completion certificate must be submitted
- TB – PPD or TB test must be completed within the past 12 months from the course completion date
- T-Dap – The T-dap vaccination must have been received within the past 10 years from the course completion date. The results may be no older than 10 years.
- FBI Background – This must be completed via Identigo and uploaded to EMS.
- Application – This will be completed during class with EMS.

Grading: Student are required to achieve a grade of 70% or above overall to successfully complete the course. Per NREMT standards, the final in class practical exam is required to be passed to receive a successful pass on the course.

- Mid Term – 25%
- Final Written – 25%
- Final Practical – 50%

NREMT: This class is taught to the NREMT standards and will prepare students to take the NREMT exams. Upon completion and successful passing of the course, students will be eligible to take the NREMT/PA DoH psychomotor and cognitive test. This must be completed to obtain your state certificate. The student will be responsible for setting up the written portion of the exam.

Important Websites: Listed below are websites that you will either need or may find helpful

- **NREMT EMS Application:** nremt.org
- **Jones & Bartlett PSG:** psglearning.com
- **EMT National Standards:** ems.gov/projects/ems-education-standards.html
- **PA BLS Protocols:** <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/EMS/Pages/Regulations.aspx>
- **ICS 100:** training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=is-100.c
- **ICS 700:** training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-700.b
- **MedicTest:**
medictests.com/?gclid=CjwKCAjw9LSSBhBsEiwAKtf0n0RrJXJ127r3HyCkbusZea2OPjQQ3IS8m4DQozStYT0Wy71g6SbMfhoC_YgQAvD_BwE (yes, there's an app for that)