

MAKE THE CAREER CONNECTION

for

ANIMAL HEALTH CARE

YOUR ROP TRAINING LEADS TO JOBS as...

Entry Level

(High School Diploma/ROP Training)

Veterinary Assistant

Pet Store Clerk

Apprentice Groomer

Kennel Attendant

Technical Level

(Community College)

Students will qualify for advanced placement at

Mt. San Antonio College

Registered Veterinary Technician

Professional Level

(Baccalaureate Degree)

Pre-Veterinarian

Students will benefit by having knowledge of computer science, math skills, biology, anatomy, and physiology.

WHAT IS ROP?

The Baldy View Regional Occupational Program is a cooperative vocational education effort between the Chaffey Joint Union High School District, Chino Valley Unified School District, Claremont Unified School District, and Upland Unified School District. ROP's purpose is to provide a wide variety of career preparation at the entry and technical levels to meet the needs of high school students and adults.

*Prepare for YOUR future NOW
by enrolling in ROP TODAY!*

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

High school students should contact the Career Technician at their high school.

Adults should call Baldy View R.O.P. office for specific enrollment dates and available classes.

(909) 624-0063

bvrop.K12.ca.us

Enrollment priority:

- ❖ High School Students: seniors, juniors, sophomores, 16 yrs. of age and older.
- ❖ Adults living within our geographical service area.
- ❖ Adults living outside our geographical service area

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ANIMAL HEALTH CARE



A career preparation program designed to provide related instruction and practical experience.



WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM PREPARE ME TO DO?

This course combines classroom instruction with work based training in various animal care facilities. This program focuses on the knowledge and skills required in the animal health care field including training in medical terminology, handling and restraint techniques, immunology, pathology, parasitology, nutrition, breed and species identification, and patient nursing care. Students are given the opportunity to learn entry level skills in a veterinary hospital/clinic, kennel, pet store, stable, or exotic animal facility.

THE JOB

The Veterinary Assistant's role is performing supportive tasks. This allows the Veterinarians and Technicians additional time for specialized tasks, clients and patients. In this sense the veterinary assistant is an important part of the veterinary hospital team. Veterinary assistants perform duties in the medical, surgical, and therapeutic treatment of animals.

The Kennel Attendant's role involves daily care of animals. They are responsible for the feeding, exercising, watering, cleaning, and overall comfort of the animals. They may also be involved in the basic bathing and grooming of the animals.

The Pet Store Attendant's role is the overall husbandry of the stores animals. They use their knowledge of pet supplies and proper nutrition to assist customers in purchasing the correct food and supplies for their pets. They keep the store well stocked and cleaned. They provide expert customer service.

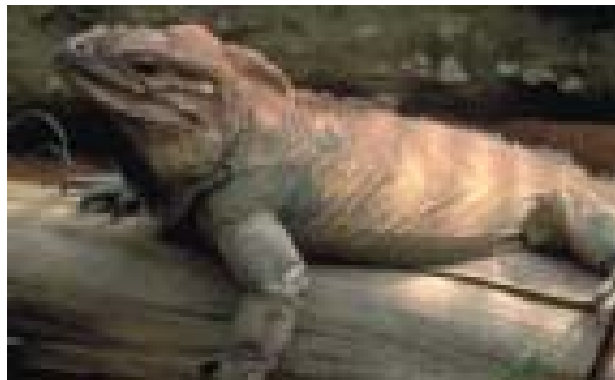
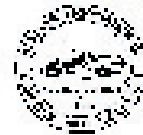
The Stable Attendant's role is to provide daily care for feeding, cleaning, watering, exercising, and the overall comfort of the horses. Stable attendants use their knowledge of horses and tack to provide expert care for both.

The Animal Care Assistant's role is to give basic daily care to many exotic species of animals. They use their knowledge of exotic animal behavior to enrich, feed, water, and clean their charges and their enclosures.

STUDENT OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of an ROP course, each student will:

- ❖ Demonstrate occupational specific, communication and critical thinking skills
- ❖ Demonstrate responsible work ethics
- ❖ Demonstrate career/employment literacy
- ❖ Demonstrate effective use of technology



EMPLOYMENT AND OUTLOOK

Many indications suggest that there will be a need for more employees in the Animal Health Care field in the future. Some factors which will contribute to the number of jobs include: the number of veterinarians needing technical assistance, the widespread popularity of birds and exotic animals, and the increasing variety and number of animals that families are acquiring as pets which need routine care, supplies and immunizations. In addition, as public health organizations, conservation research institutions, pharmaceutical manufacturers, and universities expand their research institutions, pharmaceutical manufacturers, and universities expand their research activities, more

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- ❖ Minimum age - 16 years old or 11th grade
- ❖ Sincerely enjoy working with animals
- ❖ Ability to respond quickly
- ❖ Ability to understand and follow instructions
- ❖ Ability to perform basic math computations
- ❖ Ability to lift, carry, and stand for prolonged periods
- ❖ Good personal hygiene and grooming habits
- ❖ Ability to read and write in English and recall information
- ❖ Good manual dexterity and motor coordination
- ❖ Dress requirement: professional dress as required by the community site

ROP TEACHERS

ROP teachers know the job market, have business and industry experience within the field they teach and are credentialed. **LEARN FROM THE BEST WITH ROP TEACHERS.**

COURSE LENGTH

One semester course

ROP CERTIFICATE of TRAINING

An ROP certificate of completion, including competencies, is awarded to students who complete the course.

HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS

Upon successful completion of the class, recommended credits earned in ROP are forwarded to each student's high school. These credits may be applied toward fulfillment of the requirements for a high school diploma.