



Dear Prospective Paramedic Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Cochise College Paramedic Program. This application packet is designed to assist you in ensuring your application requirements and prerequisites are completed and submitted to the Nursing/Allied Health Department as scheduled. Entrance into paramedic program is quite competitive; therefore, it is imperative that your application packet is accurate, complete and submitted prior to the deadline of July 6, 2026.

The paramedic program is extremely demanding. The program will begin in August and will be completed in July. Should you be accepted into the program, you can expect the paramedic program to be an 11-month program, consisting of 3 eight-week courses and 3 six-week courses. It is not recommended that students take any additional courses while enrolled in the paramedic program.

The classroom and skills lab portions of the paramedic program are held at the Cochise College Downtown Center. The majority of clinical rotations will occur at hospitals and firehouses in Benson, Bisbee, Sierra Vista and Douglas. There is a possibility of clinical rotations occurring in the Tucson area.

The Cochise College Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP).

Should you have any questions that are not addressed in this packet, please contact Eric Bailey at 520-452-2621, or email: baileye@cochise.edu or Margaret Reilly 520-515-8744 email: reillym@cochise.edu. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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Paramedic Entrance

Important Dates

NOW	Study for Paramedic Entrance Test (PET)
July 6, 2026	Deadline: submission of application packet
July 20, 2026	PET Exam (Paramedic Entrance Exam) Downtown Center Room A108 9:00 am
July 27, 2026	Entrance interviews – Individually Scheduled once the PET Exam was passed
July 29, 2026	Acceptance letters mailed to students**
August 17, 2026	Orientation; PMD 201 Paramedicine II begins

**Registration for PMD 201 may begin at any time after being accepted into the program. Signed acceptance letter must be brought to registration office to be enrolled in PMD 201.

Need Pre-reqs?

Take PMD101

The prerequisites for the paramedic program can be difficult to obtain. PMD101 will provide you with nearly all required pre-course work. Students who take PMD101 will fulfill the following pre-requisites:

- ✓ BLS Healthcare Provider CPR
- ✓ Anatomy & Physiology (BIO 160)

Students still need a valid and current EMT (AZ or NR) certification to be eligible for enrollment into the program.

Students must have completed MAT 081 with a “C” or better or receive an Accuplacer score supporting placement into MAT 91 or higher

Requirements to waive PMD101:

- BIO 160
- **or** BIO 201 **and** BIO 202
- Valid AHA Healthcare Provider BLS CPR card

PET Information Sheet

The Paramedic Entrance Test (PET) is a computer based exam covering a variety of material. This exam is intended for prospective paramedic students and includes eight topics: affective domain, anatomy, math, reading comprehension, physiology, and EMT knowledge and experience.

The exam is generated, validated and graded by FSDAP, a third party provider not affiliated with Cochise College.

Students must score a minimum of 70% for acceptance into the paramedic program. Students with the top scores will be accepted into the program.

Scores from the PET are not disclosed to the applicant, students will only be advised if their score was sufficient to advance to the interview.

Enrollment will be capped at 16 students per AZDHS guidelines.

Students will be scheduled for the PET after their application packet is received and verified in the Allied Health office.

PET Testing Information: July 20, 2026
 Cochise College Downtown Center
 Room A108
 9:00 am

YOU MUST SUBMIT COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING COURSE
REQUIREMENTS TO THE ALLIED HEALTH OFFICE TO BE SCHEDULED FOR
THE PARAMEDIC ENTRANCE TEST (PET)

- ✓ Paramedic Program Application completed
- ✓ Valid AZ EMT or NREMT
- ✓ Math requirement- You must have completed MAT 081 with a “C” or better or receive an Accuplacer score supporting placement into MAT 91 or higher
- ✓ Reading placement test – score of RDG 092 or exemption (RDEX)
- ✓ Proof of enrollment in PMD101

Students not enrolled in PMD101 must provide the following additional documentation:

- ✓ BIO 160, or BIO 201 & 202 (grade of C or higher)
- ✓ Valid AHA Healthcare Provider BLS CPR card

Submit copies to:

Eric Bailey
Cochise College Downtown Center
2600 E. Wilcox Dr, Sierra Vista
520-452-2621

You can email, drop off or US mail in your application

If you have questions about any of the above information you may contact Eric Bailey or Margaret Reilly

Submission Deadline: July 6,2026

Immunizations/Documentation Required for the Paramedic Program

- 1.) Physical (firefighter or Cochise College form)
- 2.) Hep B 2 step or 3 step (or titer)
- 3.) MMR #1 and MMR #2 (or titer)
- 4.) Varicella #1 and Varicella #2 (or titer)
- 5.) TB skin test (or blood test QF Gold, or chest x-ray no more than 5 yrs. Reading TB free, if you have history of exposure)
- 6.) Covid (2 vaccine)
- 7.) Flu (2025-2026)
- 8.) Tdap (Not more than 7 years old)
- 9.) AHA BLS CPR for the Healthcare Provider
- 10.) AZ or NREMT card
- 11.) Fingerprint Clearance Card (Level I IVP card)