



RIDGEWATER COLLEGE – LPN to Nursing Associate in Science **Spring 2026 APPLICATION**

Completion of this single application provides the information necessary to be considered for admission to the RIDGEWATER COLLEGE LPN to Nursing AS program.

Last name: _____ First name: _____ MI: _____

Previous names used: _____ Birthdate: _____

Ridgewater College Student ID # (required): _____ STAR ID (required): _____

Mailing address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Home Ph # () Cell Ph # ()

For your application to be processed, the pre-requisite courses listed below must be completed by the application deadline.

	Institution	Semester	Year	Grade
Psychology 1310 – Intro to Psychology				
Biology 2100 – Human Anatomy				
Chemistry 1010 – Survey of Chemistry				

The following pre-requisite courses need to be completed by the time you start the Nursing AS (RN) program.

***If currently registered for the course, you can put IP for In Progress**

	Institution	Semester	Year	Grade
English 1209/1210 – College Comp I				
Psychology 2630 – Developmental Psychology				
Biology 2110 – Human Physiology				
Biology 2150 - Microbiology				

Did you attend a Nursing Information Session? _____ (Yes or No)

***Must attend info session to apply**

Ranking for admission will be based on the applicant's length of experience working as an LPN, and the grades for Anatomy and Chemistry. See table below:

Applicant Rubric	0-1000 hours in past 24 months (0-6 months FTE) C grade	1000-2000 hours in past 24 months (6-12 months FTE) B grade	>2000 hours in past 24 months (12+ months FTE) A grade
LPN experience*	1 point	2 points	3 points
BIOL 2100 grade	1 point	2 points	3 points
CHEM 1010 grade	1 point	2 points	3 points

*Applicant must submit a letter from a supervisor or Human Resources Department describing their length of service as Full-time equivalent (FTE) **in the last 24 months**. Hours to FTE are listed in the rubric above.

*One bonus point will be added to applications for students who completed their Practical Nursing Diploma at Ridgewater.

- Minimum score of 4 to be considered for admission.
- In the event of a tie, the applicants' GPA of the required prerequisites will be used to determine applicant rank. If there is still a tie, then the LPN's experience will determine applicant rank.

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:

nursingadmissions@ridgewater.edu

OR

**Ridgewater College
ATTN: Ellery Knight
2101 15th Avenue NW
Willmar, MN 56201**

SIGNATURE REQUIRED: _____ **Date:** _____

ALL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL REGARDING APPLICATION STATUS. EMAILS WILL BE SENT TO THE EMAIL ADDRESS ON THIS APPLICATION ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2025. ACCEPTED STUDENTS MUST ATTEND A MANDATORY IN-PERSON ORIENTATION ON THE WILLMAR CAMPUS ON OCTOBER 24, 2025 FROM 9AM-3PM.

Application questions can be directed to Ellery Knight – Willmar Campus – (320)222-6071 or ellery.knight@ridgewater.edu