REGISTERED NURSE PROGRAM ENTRANCE CRITERIA

2. Send any transcripts from schools that you haven’t already sent to Southeast Tech, or any that need to be updated. A cumulative college GPA of 2.5 is required.
3. Fill out the technical standards form for the RN AAS program.
4. Fill out the prerequisite form for RN AAS program.
5. Provide a copy of current licensure as LPN in the state of South Dakota, or license from nursing compact state (Iowa and Nebraska are both compact states, Minnesota is NOT) along with any disciplinary documentation.
   a. Applicants must go to https://www.nursys.com
   b. Follow pathway through ‘quick confirm’
   c. Print off proof of LPN licensure
   d. If there is a ‘yes’ for discipline, applicants must print off related documents
   e. Proof of licensure and discipline must be submitted before applicant is considered for acceptance
6. Documented work experience of at least 750 paid hours as an LPN within the past 3 years (clinical hours or hours with preceptor while in school do NOT count as work experience). Hours must be completed prior to the start of RN (NURS) courses. Use the appropriate required documentation form.
7. Reference form from work supervisor and another from a co-worker or a different supervisor.
8. Background check. If you were a Southeast Tech LPN grad and completed your background check within the past 3 years, then you can complete the recheck option. If it has been longer than 3 years or had a background check done from someone else, you will need to select the full background check.
9. Drug screen
10. Take the NACE Exam
   a. You will need to register for this exam online at http://testing.southeasttech.edu
   b. Only licensed LPNs can take the test. Applicants must show a legal ID as well as proof of LPN license to take the test.
   c. Students must receive a minimum score of 76. If students do not receive the required score, they may repeat once with a 30 day waiting period. If a third test is required, they must wait 6 months between tests to repeat it.

Any of the following MAY prevent an applicant’s acceptance into the RN program:

- Any history of discipline on a Board of Nursing issued license or certificate (such as CNA)
- Any current enrollment in the Health Professionals Assistance Program (HPAP), in South Dakota or similar programs in other states
  - If currently enrolled, applicant must submit a signed release for the Nursing Program Director to discuss status with the HPAP personnel
- Course history of repeating more than one science prerequisite
- Course history of repeating more than one previous nursing course
- History of attending more than two previous nursing programs

All admissions will be decided on an individual basis by the Nursing Program Director, RN Coordinator, and Southeast Tech Admissions staff.

You can find more information on how to complete the steps above and all required forms at www.southeasttech.edu by clicking Academics > Degrees > Registered Nurse and scrolling down to the “Admissions Requirements” section.