



TENNESSEE HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM: I.A.

MEETING DATE: November 16, 2023
SUBJECT: Authorization of New Institutions
ITEM TYPE: Action
ACTION RECOMMENDATION: Approval

BACKGROUND

The Commission, under the Tennessee Higher Education Authorization Act of 2016, as amended, has the "power and duty" to act upon applications for authorization of postsecondary educational institutions. For the institutions listed below, applications have been reviewed, site visits have been performed, and staff has determined that all necessary documentation and bonds have been secured. In accordance with Rule 1540-01-02-.07(2)(d), the Interim Executive Director granted these institutions provisional initial authorization subject to review and ratification by the Commission. These institutions are being recommended for Regular Authorization.

A. Martin Dental Assistant Academy, LLC **Martin, TN**
113 Kennedy Drive, Martin, Tennessee 38237

Corporate Structure: Limited Liability Company (LLC)
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

Martin Dental Assistant Academy, LLC is seeking to register one (1) new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Martin, Tennessee.

1. Program: Dental Assistant
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 128 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Registered Dental Assistant
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Dentistry

B. North Knoxville Dental Assisting School **Knoxville, TN**
5510 Wallwood Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37912

Corporate Structure: Sole Proprietorship
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

North Knoxville Dental Assisting School is seeking to register one (1) new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Knoxville, Tennessee.

- 1. **Program:** Dental Assistant
- Credential Awarded:** Certificate of Completion
- Length of Program:** 128 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Registered Dental Assistant
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Dentistry

C. Phlebotomy Training Specialists **Knoxville, TN**
301 Gallaher View Road, Suite 120, Knoxville, Tennessee 37934

- Corporate Structure:** Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- Accreditation:** None
- Title IV Funding:** No

Phlebotomy Training Specialists is seeking to register one (1) new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Knoxville, Tennessee.

- 1. **Program:** Phlebotomy Training
- Credential Awarded:** Phlebotomy Technician
- Length of Program:** 44 Contact Hours
3 Weeks Full-Time
1 Month Part-Time

D. Phlebotomy Training Specialists **Memphis, TN**
5384 Poplar Avenue, Suite 103, Memphis, Tennessee 38119

- Corporate Structure:** Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- Accreditation:** None
- Title IV Funding:** No

Change of Ownership:

Phlebotomy Training Specialists was purchased by Intelvio, LLC, on March 31, 2023. The institution is a Limited Liability Company (LLC) and has been authorized by THEC since 2021.

Phlebotomy Training Specialists is seeking to register one (1) revised program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Memphis, Tennessee.

- 1. **Program:** Phlebotomy Training (Revised)
- Credential Awarded:** Phlebotomy Technician

Length of Program: 44 Contact Hours
3 Weeks Full-Time
1 Month Part-Time

E. Phlebotomy Training Specialists
2 International Plaza, Suite 108, Nashville, Tennessee 37217

Nashville, TN

Corporate Structure: Limited Liability Company (LLC)
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

Change of Ownership:

Phlebotomy Training Specialists was purchased by Intelvio, LLC, on March 31, 2023. The institution is a Limited Liability Company (LLC) and has been authorized by THEC since 2019.

Phlebotomy Training Specialists is seeking to register one (1) revised program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Nashville, Tennessee.

- 1. Program:** Phlebotomy Training (Revised)
Credential Awarded: Phlebotomy Technician
Length of Program: 44 Contact Hours
3 Weeks Full-Time
1 Month Part-Time

F. Signature Design Beauty Academy
211 West Coffee Street, Tullahoma, Tennessee 37388

Tullahoma, TN

Corporate Structure: Limited Liability Company (LLC)
Accreditation: None
Title IV Funding: No

Signature Design Beauty Academy is seeking to register five (5) new programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Tullahoma, Tennessee.

- 1. Program:** Aesthetics
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 750 Contact Hours
6 Months Full-Time
8 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Esthetician
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

- 2. **Program:** Cosmetology
- Credential Awarded:** Diploma
- Length of Program:** 1500 Contact Hours
12 Months Full-Time
17 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Cosmetologist
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

- 3. **Program:** Instructor
- Credential Awarded:** Diploma
- Length of Program:** 300 Contact Hours
3 Months Full-Time
4 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Cosmetology Instructor
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

- 4. **Program:** Manicuring
- Credential Awarded:** Diploma
- Length of Program:** 600 Contact Hours
5 Months Full-Time
7 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Manicurist
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

- 5. **Program:** Massage Therapy
- Credential Awarded:** Diploma
- Length of Program:** 650 Contact Hours
5 Months Full-Time
7 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Licensed Massage Therapist
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Massage Licensure

G. The Crossroads Campus
1757 16th Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee 37208

Nashville, TN

- Corporate Structure:** Not-for-Profit Corporation
- Accreditation:** None
- Title IV Funding:** No

The Crossroads Campus is seeking to register one (1) new program. The program will be offered in a

residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Nashville, Tennessee.

- 1. Program:** Pet Grooming
Credential Awarded: Certificate
Length of Program: 510 Contact Hours
6 Months

H. The Hair Academy
513 College Street West, Fayetteville, Tennessee 37334

Fayetteville, TN

- Corporate Structure:** Limited Liability Company (LLC)
Accreditation: National Accrediting Commission of Career Arts & Sciences (NACCAS)
Title IV Funding: Yes

Change of Ownership:

The Hair Academy was purchased by Tina Freeman and Kevin Poynter, on February 24, 2023. The institution is a Limited Liability Company (LLC) and has been authorized by THEC since 2016.

The Hair Academy is seeking to register four (4) revised programs. The programs will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Fayetteville, Tennessee.

- 1. Program:** Aesthetics (Revised)
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 750 Contact Hours
6 Months Full-Time
12 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Esthetician
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

- 2. Program:** Cosmetology (Revised)
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 1500 Contact Hours
11.5 Months Full-Time
23 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Cosmetologist
Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

- 3. Program:** Manicuring (Revised)
Credential Awarded: Diploma
Length of Program: 750 Contact Hours
6 Months Full-Time

12 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Manicurist

Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

- 4. Program:** Teacher Training (Revised)
- Credential Awarded:** Diploma
- Length of Program:** 450 Contact Hours
3.5 Months Full-Time
6 Months Part-Time

License/Certification Required for Employment: Instructor License

Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners

I. Vibe Dental Academy **Pulaski, TN**
 403 E. College St., Pulaski, Tennessee 38478

- Corporate Structure:** Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- Accreditation:** None
- Title IV Funding:** No

Vibe Dental Academy is seeking to register one (1) new program. The program will be offered in a residential format. Instruction will be provided by the faculty from their authorized location in Pulaski, Tennessee.

- 1. Program:** Dental Assistant
- Credential Awarded:** Certificate of Completion
- Length of Program:** 128 Contact Hours
3.5 Months

License/Certification Required for Employment: Registered Dental Assistant

Licensing Board/Agency: Tennessee Board of Dentistry