Program Description
This 24-week program (600 clock hours) prepares students with the necessary manipulative skills, technical knowledge and experience for entry-level employment as a veterinary assistant, animal caretaker or kennel attendant.

Through a combination of lecture, laboratory and clinical experience, students will receive skills training in the following: animal behavior, anatomy, sanitation, nutrition, disease, laboratory work and various animal hospital tasks. Each student will also participate in clinical training through our “community classroom,” which includes instruction in a veterinary office working side by side with a veterinarian and veterinary team members.

Program Objectives
Students successfully completing this program may earn 6 units toward the Veterinary Technician program at Yuba College and are eligible to sit for the California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) Certified Veterinary Assistant exam.

Application Process: Apply online at cte.bcoe.org

| Application acceptance window: | August 1st - October 14th, 2022 |
| Program Dates: | January 5th - June 27th, 2023 |
| Acceptance notification made by: | November 10th, 2022 |
| Interview notification made by: | October 20th, 2022 |
| Program Fee due by close of business: | December 9th, 2022 |
| Interviews by appointment only on: | November 3rd or 4th, 2022 |
| Application available online at: | CTE.bcoe.org |

Location
Butte County CTE
2491 Carmichael Drive, Suite 200, Chico, CA

Prerequisites
- High school diploma or equivalent
- At least 18 years of age
- Ability to read at a 10th grade level
- Basic computer skills
- Science courses or related industry experience suggested
- **COVID-19 vaccination**: Students must be fully vaccinated prior to the start of class (a person is considered fully vaccinated 2 weeks after completion of their full 2-vaccine series)

Schedule
- January 5th, 2023 - June 27th, 2023
- Monday-Friday, 8am - 1pm (schedule may vary during community classroom)
- Community Classroom start date - March 27th, 2023

Estimated Cost
- Program Fee: **$2,700** (includes registration, classroom materials, study supplies, exam fee)
- Variable Expenses: up to $340 (textbooks, uniform, shoes)
- This course is approved for federal financial aid.