

Kansas Nursing School Guide

PARENTS/GUARDIANS QUICK-REFERENCE & NAVIGATION GUIDE

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GETTING STARTED: HOMEPAGE	NAVIGATION: WHAT'S ON EACH PAGE?	NURSING DEGREE LADDER: MAKING SENSE OF THE OPTIONS	THINGS TO CONSIDER: PREPPING FOR NURSING SCHOOL	ADVISING YOUR STUDENT: BY STUDENT TYPE
Open the site: kansasnursingschools.com "Tell us who you are": Select the student's profile type. The site redirects to the most relevant search and resources. Using the search tool: 1. Select student type 2. Apply filters 3. Browse results 4. Share with student/family Browse all programs: Click 'Browse all nurse education options in Kansas for a complete and unfiltered overview of all programs. Top navigation: Hamburger navigation menu is always visible in the top, right corner. Navigate with ease. Visual navigation: Photos on the lower portion of the site help you jump to any section instantly from any page.	Intro to Nursing Careers: Answers, "what type of nurse could I be?" specialties, settings, licenses, certifications Kansas Nursing Schools: Directory of all approved nursing programs in Kansas Nursing Degree Options: Explains the nursing degree progression from CNA>PN>ADN>BSN>MSN>DNP Nursing School Resources: Links to nursing scholarships, financial aid, regulatory, associations, etc. Workforce Statistics: Kansas salary, employment and demand data Things to Consider: Practical guide on choosing a program, designed for students	CNA: Certified Nursing Assistant - weeks of training, assists licensed nurses with bedside care PN: Practical Nurse - 9-12 months of training, eligible for NCLEX-PN certification and practice as an LPN ADN: Associate Degree in Nursing - 2 years of school, eligible for NCLEX-RN certification and practice as an RN BSN: Bachelor's Degree in Nursing - 4 years of school, eligible for NCLEX-RN certification and practice as an RN MSN and DNP: Master's of Science in Nursing and Doctor of Nursing Practice - advanced clinical nursing degrees, eligible for APRN certification	Know their Why: Ask why they're drawn to nursing; motivation drives decisions. Shadow/Volunteer: Consider hands-on exposure to confirm nursing is a good fit before applying to school. Degree Level: Knowing which level helps narrow the path. Schedule & Style: Consider full-time vs. part-time study, in-person, online, or hybrid class formats. Location: On-campus, commuter, or remote? Close to home or far away? Academic Prep: Check GPA and prerequisite requirements. Campus Visits: Visit to confirm culture fit. Financial Aid: Many programs are covered by Kansas nursing scholarships!	Middle School: Intro to nursing careers to spark specialty exploration; Things to Consider for academic thinking High School: Degree Options to understand the ladder; Things to Consider for preparation and finances; School Search to browse all options Ready to Apply: Kansas Nursing Schools directory or School Search tool. Pair with Degree Options to confirm choice. Career Changer: Select 'Adults with Degree/ Coursework' OR 'Career Changer' for non-traditional students. Check Workforce Statistics.