Respiratory Therapists are health-care specialists who provide care for patients with breathing disorders. Care includes assessment, evaluation, and treatment of patients ranging in age from premature infants to the elderly. Therapists also work with adults who have chronic lung problems, such as asthma or emphysema. As a respiratory therapist, you must possess good communication skills. You will work side by side with physicians, nurses and other health care providers in caring for patients with lung disorders. The Respiratory Care program is a selective admission program. When you apply to the College, you will be accepted into Healthcare Support with a concentration in Respiratory Care while you complete the prerequisite requirements. The Respiratory Care program accepts a limited number of students each year and there is a separate application process. Contact your campus of interest for more details.

Degrees & Certificates Offered (Wabash Valley Region):
Associate of Science (AS)

Typical Career:
Respiratory Therapist

POINTS OF PRIDE
▶ Learn in detail how to assist others with a basic body function... breathing!
▶ Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC).
▶ Program graduates consistently have a higher pass rate on their first attempt of the Certified Respiratory Therapy exam, above the national average. With a pass rate over 90%, the program has been the recipient of the distinguished Registered Respiratory Therapist Credentialing Success Award from CoARC.
▶ Program tutoring from advanced level students are offered to all entry level students.
▶ Simulation activities have been developed into the curriculum at least once per semester, giving students the opportunity to learn from other health care students.