



Q: What is the Nail Technician Academy?

A: Nail Technician students are trained in the skills needed to provide high-quality nail services in today's salons. Students learn the latest techniques in manicuring, pedicuring, and nail enhancements, including the application of artificial nails and nail art. Laws and regulations related to the field, as well as business management and professional ethics, are also part of the program.

Completing the High School Career Academy leads to a Nail Technician Technical Diploma and qualifies graduates to take the state Manicurist licensing exam. The program also provides a pathway to the Moraine Park Technical College Cosmetology program, where students can receive credit for prior learning for the program's nail courses.

Q: What courses are included in the Academy?

A: The Academy consists of three courses:

502-361 Nail Technician 1 - 3 Credits

502-362 Nail Technician 2 - 4 Credits

502-363 Nail Technician 3 - 2 Credits

Total Credits: 9

Q: When are the courses offered and where are the courses held?

A: Nail Technician 1 — Spring 2027

- CRN: 32736
- Dates: January 20, 2027–April 29, 2027
- Days: Wednesdays and Thursdays
- Time: 12:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.
- Location: West Bend Campus

Nail Technician 2 — Summer 2027

- CRN: 10546
- Dates: June 28, 2027–July 26, 2027
- Days: Monday–Thursday
- Time: 7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
- Location: Fond du Lac Campus
- No class: July 5, 2027

Nail Technician 3 — Summer 2027

- CRN: 10547
- Dates: July 27, 2027–August 9, 2027
- Days: Monday–Thursday
- Time: 7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
- Location: Fond du Lac Campus

Q: Do I need to apply before registering for classes?

A: Yes, students must apply and be accepted to the Nail Technician Academy program before registering for any courses.

Q: Are Nail Technician 2 and 3 offered during the school year?

A: No. For this student cohort, Nail Technician 2 and Nail Technician 3 are offered during Summer 2027 and are intended for students who plan to continue toward completion of the Nail Technician Technical Diploma.

Q: How many college credits can students earn?

A: Students can earn a total of 9 college credits by successfully completing all three Nail Technician Academy courses.

Q: What should students consider before registering?

A: Students should:

- Apply and be accepted into the Nail Technician Academy program before registering for courses.
- Decide by February 12, 2027, whether they plan to register for Nail Technician 2 and 3 and communicate their decision to their Recruiter.
- Plan to attend Nail Technician 2 and 3 during Summer 2027 at the Fond du Lac Campus. These courses will not be funded through the Start College Now program.
- Be prepared to purchase required program materials, including a nail kit, smocks, and books. See below for program, course, and kit costs.

Q: Is there a limit on enrollment?

A: Yes. Enrollment is limited to 16 students per course. Students are encouraged to apply early and meet all registration deadlines.

Q: How old do students need to be to take the state licensing exam?

A: **Students must be at least 18 years old to take the state licensing exam.**

Q: What careers can this program lead to?

A: Students who complete the Nail Technician Academy can pursue careers such as:

- Nail Technician
- Manicurist
- Pedicurist

The Academy also provides a pathway to additional education, including Moraine Park Technical College's Cosmetology program.

Q: Who can I contact for more information?

A: Students should contact their high school counselor for information about whether the high school would be willing to pay for the tuition, fees, textbooks, and materials costs. Additional questions may be directed to HSCA@morainepark.edu



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Nail Technician High School Career Academy Approximate Costs

Q: How much does everything cost for this academy?

A: The approximate costs for the Nail Technician High School Career Academy are:

Nail Technician 1 —Third Party Sponsorship or Start College Now may be available. Please contact your high school counselor.

- Course tuition and fees: \$1200.31 - The required nail kit is included in this cost. This is a one-time cost and is used for Nail Technician 1, 2, and 3 courses.

Nail Technician 2 — Summer 2027

- Course cost: Approximately \$748.00.
- This course cannot be funded through the Start College Now program.

Nail Technician 3 — Summer 2027

- Course cost: Approximately \$375.
- This course cannot be funded through the Start College Now program.

Required textbooks and workbooks

- Milady Standard Nail Technology with Standard Foundations Textbook: Approximately \$235
- Milady Exam Review for Milady Standard Nail Technology: Approximately \$45.
- Milady Student Workbook for Milady Standard Foundations + Workbook for Milady Standard Nail Technology, 8th edition: Approximately \$192.

If your high school paid for the textbook or workbook when you took Nail Technician 1 through Start College Now or Third-party sponsorship, you may not need to purchase these materials. Please talk with your high school counselor to determine what you will need.

Estimated total cost: Approximately \$2,796.00

This program is not eligible for financial aid.

Q: Is a payment plan available?

A: Yes.

- Monthly payment plans are available to students with a minimum balance of \$400 who need an option for paying tuition and fees not covered by Financial Aid and/or other sources. A payment plan is not available if the course is paid for through the Start College Now program.
- Tuition payment plans are available for current students through our online payment processor, Transact Payments, Inc. (MaxPay). MPTC offers flexible payment plans for the Fall, Spring and Summer terms. Payment plans offer great benefits by spreading tuition payments over a period of time with interest-free monthly installments.
- Enrollment in the plan is available as soon as courses are added.
- The installment dates and plan duration differ each semester.
- [More Online Payment Plan Information](#)
- This program is not eligible for financial aid.