

AMANDA LAFFOON

OBJECTIVE

An enthusiastic licensed veterinary technician with a passion for education.

EXPERIENCE

1/17/2017-Current Cedar Valley College Lancaster, TX

Instructor- Veterinary Technology

Licensed Veterinary Technician [LVT] & Laboratory Animal Technician [LAT]

- Follow set veterinary technology instructing guidelines set forth by the AVMA.
- Developing and managing the class syllabus and ensuring that the syllabus meets department and college standards.
- Assign reading chapters & supplemental readings for the week's lesson.
- Grading assigned papers, quizzes, and exams.
- Assessing grades for students based on participation, performance in class, assignments, and examinations.
- Collaborating with colleagues on the course curriculum.
- Advising students on how to be successful in class.

5/25/2002-Current *PRN* Greenbriar Veterinary Hospital Dallas, TX

Licensed Veterinary Technician, Receptionist, Grooming, Kennels

- Managed kennel husbandry and kennel workers.
- Kept SOPs in place for care and sanitation.
- Basic grooming skills.
- Answered phones, made appointments, invoiced clients in/out.
- Knowledgeable in Cornerstone Software.
- Efficient at hand CBCs, Vetest Chemistry/CBC equipment, Fecals.
- Intake animals, obtain history and vitals.
- Obtain lab samples as need. Prepared samples and ran labs as necessary.
- Prep room/animals for surgery, monitor anesthesia, and clean and repack all surgical instruments.
- Give medications as direct by the veterinarian (IV, SQ, IM, IP).
- Handles exotic pets daily. (birds, pocket pets, reptiles)

08/2018-08/2020 Garland ISD Garland, TX

Veterinary Medical Applications Instructor, Licensed Veterinary Technician [LVT]

- Instructor of Veterinary Medical Applications to high school juniors and seniors.
- Created a curriculum based on the TEKS suggested by the TEA.
- Managed Veterinary Medical Application Practicum students in veterinary clinical settings.
- Managed student ran business for bathing and grooming.
- Created a Veterinary Medical Applications club and organized fundraisers.
- Maintained classroom and lab areas prepped for next day studies.
- Created a partnership with a local veterinarian to host vaccine clinics within the school for students to have hands-on with animals & learn client support.

08/2017-8/2018

Purina Nutrition

Ft. Worth, TX

Intermediate Laboratory Technician, Licensed Veterinary Technician [LVT]

- Maintain feed tags and inventory.
- Sequence feed trucks for farm deliveries.
- Perform feed testing for mycotoxin, fumonisin, salt, durability, soak, feed-drug concentrations.
- Perform near-infrared spectroscopy [NIR] on bulk feed items.
- Maintain results of testing and send to correct personnel for unloading/loading of shipments.
- Review paperwork for the correct sequencing of feeds.
- Logs and reviews the use of controlled drugs.
- Performs feed investigations.

5/26/2015-08/2017

Alcon/Novartis Laboratories

Ft. Worth, TX

*Senior Animal Care Technician, Licensed Veterinary Technician [LVT],
Laboratory Animal Technician [LAT]*

- Perform husbandry on many species of laboratory animals according to SOPs.
- Feed species-appropriate measured diet at scheduled feeding times.
- Assess the animal's health daily and report to animal health if any concerns.
- Offer enrichment items/exercising to Non-Human Primates.
- Maintain all feedlots in the feed room and monthly container replacement.
- Maintain door sheet SOPs with the tasks I have completed.
- Perform euthanasia per SOPs.
- Assist with veterinary colony health as needed.

2018-2019 Tarleton State University Stephenville, TX
▪ M.Ed. Higher Education Administration (Distance Learning Program).

2014-2018 Tarleton State University Stephenville, TX
▪ B.A.S. Veterinary Technology (Distance Learning Program).
-Focus on small animal medicine.

2008-2011 Cedar Valley College Lancaster, TX
▪ A.A.S. Veterinary Technology
-Obtained small and large animal certificates.

LICENSE AND CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed Veterinary Technician- Texas: LVT-157

Laboratory Animal Technician [LAT]

RECOGNITIONS

- Creating novel toys for non-human primates used at Alcon/Novartis.
- Created new controlled anesthesia form and anesthesia SOP for laboratory animals at Alcon/Novartis.
- Alcon's Values and Behaviors: Recognized for collaboration with different departments.
- Recognized fire hazards at Purina and created an action plan.
- Updated bulk feed loading forms to be more consistent with additive and medicated feeds.
- Winner of the Garland ISD Educational Foundation Fall 2018

ACTIVITIES

- Traveling
- Avid Horseback Rider (Western & English)
- Scrapbooking
- Volunteers with TVMA Credentialing Committee: Served as chair