



# Emergency Medical Technician Executive Summary

# HarperRand



## Overview

The after-school Emergency Technician Program provides students with the skills necessary to respond to emergency calls, treat trauma patients and care for and transport the sick and injured. Students immediately put their skills into practice through clinical, residential, and ambulance simulations. Students receive hands-on training with actual field medical equipment, supervised by experienced paramedics and EMTs. The program consists of 196 hours of hands-on classroom instruction followed by a 24-hour clinical externship in a local emergency room or ambulance company. Students who successfully complete the program receive their national license from the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians.

## Funding

With a class size up to 30 students, the cost per program for the first three years is \$66,000 per year or \$2,200 per student.

## Employment Outlook

EMTs are always in demand. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and paramedics is projected to grow 15 percent through 2026, much faster than the average for all other occupations. The median annual wage for EMTs and paramedics was \$34,320 in 2018. Becoming an EMT is also the first step to many career pathways including paramedic, fire fighter, law enforcement, emergency room technician and medicine to name a few.

## Community Partners

The program is supported through relationships with key healthcare organizations including Adventist Health St. Helena Hospital, St. Helena Fire Department, Napa County EMS and Falcon Ambulance.

## Schedule

Program schedules are flexible and can be tailored to meet the needs of the school and students. Classes typically run from September through May and meet 3 days per week for 2 hours.

## Outcomes

The 2018-2019 inaugural class at Saint Helena High School graduated 5 new EMTs. All the students passed their NREMT skills signoff and received their certificate of completion.

## About HarperRand

Founded in 2013, HarperRand administers allied health Career Technical Education programs through CalRegional, a consortium of adult schools, community colleges and high schools throughout California. Current program offerings include Clinical Medical Assistant, Phlebotomy Technician, Pharmacy Technician and Emergency Medical Technician. HarperRand is well known in the public education community. Its founder, David Wignall, has provided educational services to public and private institutions for over 30 years. In September 2017, at the request of the Vallejo Unified School District, HarperRand launched the first after school clinical medical assistant program at Vallejo and Jesse Bethel High Schools. In 2018, HarperRand launched the first Emergency Medical Technician program at Saint Helena High School.