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To Whom It May Concern:

Mt. San Antonio College's Registered Veterinary Technology (RVT) Program is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). Students must provide documentation of rabies pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) before registering for courses that require handling live animals. For additional information, see Appendix A: Statement on Safety in the AVMA Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA) Accreditation Policies and Procedures.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends a two-dose rabies pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) series for individuals in Risk Category 3, with doses given on days 0 and 7. For continued protection, CDC recommends either a one-time titer check or a one-dose booster, as described below. If a student chooses the titer-check option and the titer is below 0.5 IU/mL, the RVT Program requires the student to receive a rabies vaccine booster.

Option 1: One-time rabies antibody titer check after 1 year and up to 3 years following the initial two-dose vaccination.

Option 2: One rabies vaccine booster dose between 3 weeks and 3 years after the first dose of the initial two-dose vaccination series.

Students may provide this letter to their healthcare provider and insurance company as documentation of the RVT Program's rabies PrEP requirement and the CDC's Risk Category 3 follow-up recommendations.

Questions about the program requirement may be directed to Mt. SAC's Natural Sciences Division at (909) 274-4425 or the Office of Instruction at (909) 274-4200 during business hours.

Sincerely,

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