



Job Location

St. Augustine Humane Society
1665 Old Moultrie Road
St. Augustine, FL 32084

Veterinary Technician

While training to be a Veterinary Technician, you will work within our veterinary team. Our clinic is an ASPCA Spay Neuter Alliance clinic, making it the only one of its kind in St. Johns County. Our goal is to ensure that all pets have access to quality veterinary care, regardless of their owners' financial circumstance. As a new High School graduate, you will begin as an assistant and gradually work into becoming a Vet Tech as you gain competency in each of the duties. This position will afford you the opportunity to define a clear career path for continued growth and learning. Our team is well-equipped to provide on-the-job training, as evidenced by the SAHS clinic volunteers who were later hired by local private practice clinics. If you want to make a difference in the lives of pets and the people who love them, then this is the job for you! The employment outlook for vet techs is excellent. Several private practice vets in the area are currently looking for experienced vet techs.

Vet Tech Characteristics:

- **Compassion:** Techs must have compassion not only for animals, but for their owners.
- **Attention to Detail:** Techs should be good multi-taskers, as they are required to observe animals, record information with accuracy, be good listeners, take direction from the vet, and run lab work.
- **Team Player:** Techs often work with several other techs and must coordinate their efforts effectively.
- **Good Communication Skills:** Techs perform a lot of administrative tasks that require conversing with pet owners and other medical staff.
- **Physically Fit:** Techs lift animals onto exam tables, carry pet carriers, manage large dogs.



Vet Tech Duties

- Prepares treatment room for exams of animals
- Restrains animals during exams and treatment
- Administers injections, performs venipunctures
- Takes vital signs of animals
- Assists with general medical care and lab work
- Identifies parasites with microscope
- Cleans and maintains medical clinic areas and kennels
- Preps animals for surgery; Assists with surgery
- Performs dental cleanings
- Performs inventory of supplies
- Communicates with clients about individualized pet health concerns
- Fills prescriptions and maintains patient records as directed by veterinarian

