



Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_ COCC ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

### Discussion Questions

The COCC Veterinary Technician Program and the field of veterinary medicine are very mentally and physically challenging. To be successful as a veterinary technician, you must be able to multi-task, work in a team environment, have excellent communication skills, solve challenging mathematical problems correctly and efficiently, complete tasks in a thorough sequential manner, and remain calm in an emergency situation. Veterinary technicians are expected to work with people and animals respectfully and cooperatively. As a veterinary technician, you must be able to lift, bend, and have the flexibility to move objects and/or restrain animals. These movements are physically demanding and are a necessary part of the career.

After completing your observation hours, answer all the following questions (maximum of 250 words per answer). **Submit online with your veterinary technician application.**

1. What employment opportunities exist for veterinary technicians other than private practice?
2. Describe the challenges associated with being a veterinary technician.
3. List at least five positive aspects of being a veterinary technician.
4. What is the expected hourly wage for a veterinary technician in the city you are planning to work?
5. What is the typical schedule for a veterinary technician (including weekends and holidays)?

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