

# Abigail Kesler

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## Summary

Ambitious student pursuing a pre-veterinary science degree eager to contribute developed knowledge in a veterinary assistant role. Adaptable and driven with strong work ethic and motivation to thrive in team-based or individually motivated settings. Versed in balancing administrative responsibilities with delivering quality veterinary assistant care. Excellent time management and relationship-building skills with animals and people alike. Skilled in examinations, assessments and common procedures. Protects animals under care with proper restraints, clean environments and sterilized instruments.

## Skills

- Physical Condition Monitoring
- Animal Examinations
- Critical Thinking
- Problem-Solving
- Verbal and Written Communication
- Illness and Injury Detection
- Pet Owner Advisory
- Treatment Documentation
- Surgical Equipment Cleaning
- Facilities Maintenance
- Honest and Dependable
- Attention to Detail
- First Aid and Immunizations
- Customer Communication
- Pre-Anesthetic Preparation
- Animal Euthanasia Assistance
- Medication Administration
- Veterinarian Assistance
- Time Management
- Microchip Administration
- Medical Terminology

## Experience

**KENNEL TECHNICIAN** | 07/2019 - 08/2022

**Muncie ARF - Muncie, IN**

- Supported animal health by keeping areas clean, neat and properly sanitized.
- Promoted optimal animal health by feeding and watering on regular schedule.
- Provided medications and treatment to the animals
- Communicated with adopters regarding medications, patient history, and overall care needs

**VETERINARY STUDENT INTERN** | 06/2019 - 08/2022

**ARF PAW Clinic - Muncie, IN**

- Supervised inventory management and placed medication orders to ensure adequate supplies at all times.
- Explained disease and condition diagnoses, prognoses and treatment options to pet and animal owners to provide information for decision-making concerning care.
- Treated wide array of small animals for disease and injuries and provided preventive health care treatments such as vaccinations, parasite prophylaxis and nutrition options.
- Prioritized and organized tasks to efficiently accomplish service goals.
- Provided assistance and support to owners during end-stage pet illnesses, delivering comfort, compassion and kind words.
- Liaised with pet owners, asking appropriate questions and listening carefully to understand symptoms and explain treatment options.

**VETERINARY ASSISTANT** | 01/2019 - Current

**ARF PAW Clinic - Muncie, IN**

- Restrained and stabilized animals during examination and treatment to prevent injuries.
- Organized operating room ahead of procedures and assisted veterinarians during surgeries.
- Administered immunizations, fluids and other medications to animals as prescribed by veterinarians.
- Conducted intravenous blood draws.
- Scrubbed, counted and packed surgical instruments and drapes for autoclave sterilization.
- Cared for animals in post-operative recovery by closely monitoring vital signs and progress.
- Communicated with veterinarians and staff members to maintain patient flow.
- Assisted veterinarians in examining animals.
- Operated radiographic and ultrasound equipment.
- Administered vaccines to animals and delivered blood and lab results.

#### STUDENT ASSISTANT COACH | 06/2023 - 08/2023

##### Munciana Volleyball Club - Muncie , IN

- Ran drills and fitness circuits to improve athletes' coordination and skills.
- Developed training and exercise programs to meet individual requirements and team play strategies.
- Guided athletes with encouragement, motivation and nutritional advice to support athletic performance and overall well-being.
- Adhered strictly to rules and regulations of activities department and district.

#### TUTOR | 01/2023 - Current

##### Boys and Girls Club - Muncie , IN

- Helped students review and understand previous lessons to make connection with new lesson.
- Prepared for tutoring appointments by learning about key topics and planning out structured activities.
- Utilized positive reinforcement techniques to encourage and motivate students.

## Education and Training

#### Lincoln Memorial University - Harrogate, TN | B.S Pre-Veterinary Science

Expected in 05/2025

- Presidential Scholarship Recipient
- Jennifer Strother Scholarship Recipient
- Miriam-Kitselman Scholarship Recipient
- Athletic Scholarship Recipient
- Ranked in Top 2% of class
- A Honor Roll 2018-2022
- Burris Laboratory School Honor Society Member
- 4.0 GPA

#### Ball State University - Muncie, IN

Undergraduate Dual Credit

## Languages

#### English:

Native/ Bilingual

#### Spanish:

Professional

## Educational Honors

- Dean's List Fall 2022, Spring 2023

## Activities and Honors

- Lincoln Memorial University Volleyball 2022-2026
- Munciana Volleyball Club Athlete 2012-2022
- AAU All-American 2022
- 2x National Championship Team Captain
- Pre-Vet Club Member
- Wildlife Club Member

## References

- **Nikki Kirby**, ARF Shelter and ARF PAW Clinic Manager, (765) 215-3026 | nikki@munciearf.com
- **Dr. Tracy Birchfield**, DVM, (317) 660-2611
- **Jim Craig**, Burris Laboratory School Volleyball Head Coach, (765) 730-1137 | jimcraig024@gmail.com