

Ventura College

School of Prehospital and Emergency Medicine

CPR Card Requirements

All students must have a valid CPR card as a prerequisite for the EMT and Paramedic courses. This requirement is mandated by the California EMS Agency and listed as a program requirement under Title 22.

The State requires that all students be certified at a BLS provider level. The following courses meet this requirement:

1. American Heart Association BLS Provider
2. American Red Cross BLS for Healthcare Providers
3. American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer

The following classes DO NOT meet the requirements for CPR certification:

1. American Heart Association Heart Saver CPR or Heart Saver CPR/AED
2. American Red Cross Adult/Pediatric CPR/AED

If your CPR certification does not meet the course requirements, you will need to obtain a new CPR certification that does meet the requirements. Attached is a list of CPR course providers. Code 3 Life Support is very familiar with the EMT program requirements and a number of former students have their program easy to navigate. This list is provided as a courtesy. It is the student's responsibility to research each provider for course information, availability, cost, etc.

