Applicants to the Associate of Applied Science in Respiratory Care program at BGSU Firelands are required to visit a hospital or medical center as a requirement for admission. The program also suggests that you speak to a Respiratory Care Professional about the field and tour a Respiratory Care Department. Try to arrange to spend a day, or at least a morning or afternoon, shadowing a respiratory therapist to actually observe the kinds of procedures, tests, etc. you will typically be performing on the job and in clinical training. The intent of this requirement is to inform applicants of the nature and role of the respiratory therapist in today’s healthcare environment. This observation should assist you in confirming respiratory care as a career path. Contact the program director if you need assistance in scheduling your observation.

Please complete this form and return it as a part of your application to the program. This requirement is waived for applicants who have documented work or volunteer experience in the respiratory care field.

Name of Applicant: __________________________ Date: ______________

Location of Observation: __________________________________________________________

Length of time spent at facility: ______ hours

Please supply the name and credentials, and position of the respiratory therapist with whom you had significant contact (provided a tour of department/hospital/medical center, spoke with you about respiratory care field, observed performing procedures, etc.)

Name and Credentials: ____________________________________________________________

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Signature of Dept. Director/Supervisor/Respiratory Therapist Date

Please attach a brief description of what you learned about the field and/or noticed during your observation. This should be no more than one page.

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Signature of Applicant Date