Paramedic Program Accreditation

The Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic Education Program at First Coast Technical College has a Certificate of Approval from the Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services.

The Paramedic Program at First Coast Technical College is also accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions.

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
1361 Park Street
Clearwater, FL 33756
727-210-2350
www.caahep.org

Prospective Paramedic students should be aware that graduating from any Florida certified training center will allow them to take the Florida Paramedic certification examination. However, for students entering a Paramedic program after January 1, 2013, only those students who graduate from a CAAHEP accredited program (or one that holds a CoAEMSP “Letter of Review”) will be eligible to take the National Registry (NREMT) paramedic certification exam.

Since many states now require NREMT Paramedic certification as a requirement for state certification, graduating from a non-accredited program may limit your ability to become certified in other states. See the link below for more information.

http://www.nremt.org/nremt/about/para_accred_implementation_policy.asp