



# EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE

## TUBERCULOSIS (TB) SCREENING INFORMATION

Effective October 2013, Missouri Senate Bill 197 requires new students attending any college or university in the State of Missouri be screened for Tuberculosis (TB). The screening must follow the Center for Disease Control protocols that screen individuals based on their time outside the United States, their possible exposure to TB, or those individuals who are more at risk for coming in contact with someone who has TB. The legislation requires colleges and universities to place a hold on student's registration if they do not complete the Tuberculosis screening within their first semester at a Missouri College or University.

Please answer the following questions to help determine your next step:

1. Were you born, or have you lived, outside of the United States for more than two months?
2. Have you ever been in contact with anyone who has, or had, TB?
3. Have you ever been diagnosed with TB?

If you answered no to all of the above questions, no further action is required.

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, East Central College requires that your health care provider complete a tuberculosis risk assessment in accordance with Missouri law. If you can provide documentation of TB testing done within the past 12 months in the U.S., or proof of a TB immunization, to the Office of Admissions, the screening will be waived. Please contact the East Central College Office of Admissions for details.

Provided that your TB test returns negative, there is no further action required on your part. If the test comes back positive, you will need to have medical documentation stating that you are not contagious.

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