

HOMESTEAD PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS **TAKE A FIELD TRIP TO COSTA MESA**

On a rainy Friday morning last week about 12 prospective vocational nursing students took a field trip to our new branch location in Costa Mesa by riding in a limousine bus taking San Diego freeway for a swift 50 minute trip. This was our first group of students that will form the first class of 30 VN students.

Once at the branch location the students toured the building entering through the ground luncheon and picnic area and vast open lobby. The school is located on the fourth floor which has a large sitting area with couches, comfortable chairs and coffee tables and a visitor is greeted by a receptionist. The kitchen on the right side offers coffee, tea and other beverages with some light snacks. In the afternoon some assorted fruits, crackers, protein bars are brought in.



The students visited the classrooms and the clinical lab which is equipped with a simulation mannequin and other training tools. Dr. Tolentino, our Chief Academic Officer, gave students a brief orientation of the program, curriculum, and of seven study modules and ATI workbooks, that will be provided to the students. An overview of various clinical facilities that the students will be visiting to gain practical knowledge was provided by our director of nursing.

Most students qualify for federal student loans and Pell grants. Our financial aid administrator helped students fill out FAFSA and receive entrance counseling.

After that, it was time for lunch which was brought in from a nearby restaurant and enjoyed by everyone. The limousine that brought them to the school now brought them back to Torrance. Nearly everyone who has visited the school has signed up for the program and they're on their way to a very satisfying career in healthcare field.

We still have a few more slots open for the class that will start in June and if you've any interest in exploring this exciting option I'd implore you to call Marisela at (310) 791-9975 to join the next trip. Homestead Schools is located at 3090 Bristol Street, Costa Mesa, CA 92626.

