

THE PULSE

The Importance of HAND-WASHING



Washing your hands properly can help prevent the spread of germs (like bacteria and viruses) that cause illnesses.

The students from Lanier High School Health Science class facilitated a Hand Washing activity at Mary C. Jones and Mid-Town Early Head Start Centers. The focus was to teach 3 to 5 year olds the importance of hand washing and the proper way to do it. The health

science scholars introduced the hand washing song, read a short story about Jeremy the Germinator and ended with helping the children wash their hands the correct way. The instructors' were given a copy of a coloring activity on hand washing which will be completed at a later time. We are very proud of the partnership and opportunity to work with head start and to do this community service project.



Students read the story "Jeremy the Germinator" to Head Start students.

Special points of interest:

- Hand washing campaign
- Lanier High School Health Careers Expo
- Health Fair at Wingfield High School.



Health Academy scholar helps student properly wash his hands.

Lanier High School's 1st Annual Health Careers Expo

Lanier High School Academy of Health Services held its first annual career expo, which took place on January 24, 2019, in the school's auditorium. We invited health academy students who have demonstrated a sincere desire to become future healthcare professionals.

"It's very important to provide students with every opportunity to engage with and learn from professionals. The objective of this event was to create interest, enthusiasm, and knowledge about the many professions

in the healthcare industry," stated Felicia Jennings Wolfe, the Academy Coach at Lanier. "Students learned background information on the different departments, companies or businesses, educational background or majors associated with the career, salaries and benefits, and specific duties. This event gave students and employers a chance to meet one another, establish professional relationships, and discuss potential shadowing and/or internship opportunities for which they may wish to apply."

Our Health industry professionals included: Dr. DeKeith Stokes (Physician), Dr. Channing Wells (Vision), Mrs. Koscher Jackson Family Nurse Practitioner and Mrs. Diane Mounger Licensed Social Worker (Lanier Teen Wellness Center), DeAnna Simpson (MS State Dept. of Health - Dental Hygienist), Kristi Seymour (AMR) Wanda Keahey (Pharmacy), Marshay Heard (Mortuary Science) Dr. Alexa Lampkin (Dentist) Terrence Shirley (Admin at the UMC Cancer Institute), Dr. LaToya Moore (Med Labs At UMMC), Mr. Andre Nathaniel (MS Tobacco-free Coalition), and Christy Higdon (Dental Assistant)

This was an exciting opportunity that helps shape the future of our scholars at Lanier High School.



"The career expo was very interesting and fun. I learned a lot. The expo helped me to see the value in continuing my education and the potential to make a lot of money while helping people. We really need that."

Miracal Stubbs, 11th grade health academy student.



Koscher Jackson RN, Dr. Channing Wells, and Dr. DeKeith Stokes engage with students.



Future Healthcare Professionals Practicing their skills

"We appreciate the opportunity for our scholars to be able to shadow professionals in the health field and the chance to allow them to practice what they have learned in the classroom."

Mrs. F. Wolfe

On January 25th, 2019, Wingfield High School held their school wide health fair and health screening day, sponsored by United Health Care. We were very honored to be asked to assist in this event. The Lanier Health Science students helped fill out medical paperwork, perform high-blood pressure checks, work directly with vendors at their tables and

administer glucose tests. It was a very valuable experience and students gained a lot from being able to participate.



Mrs. M. Davis, Lanier's health Science Teacher, assists students as they perform glucose checks.



Lanier health Academy students working at Wingfield High Schools health Fair



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ACADEMY OF HEALTH SERVICES

The pathway of this academy will introduce students to the sciences of clinical services, clinical technologies, healthcare support services, gathering and analyzing evidence and documenting facts.