



## Grant Impact: Tuberculosis Testing & Influenza Vaccines for Nursing Assistant Students

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Grant Year	2025
Program Name:	Tuberculosis (TB) Testing & Influenza Vaccines
Agency:	Atwater High School and Buhach Colony High School
Grant Award:	\$3,500

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### Program Overview

Bloss Memorial Healthcare District (BMHCD) has partnered with Dr. Brandon Boggs to provide Tuberculosis (TB) testing for Health Careers students at Atwater High School and Buhach Colony High School. Through a contribution of \$3,500, BMHCD has provided 65 TB tests and 40 flu vaccinations. Ensuring that nursing assistant students have access to the required TB testing needed to participate in hospital and care facility internships essential to their clinical training.

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### Program Purpose and Implementation

The TB Testing Initiative was established to remove financial and logistical barriers for students pursuing healthcare careers. By providing free and easily accessible TB screenings, BMHCD has supported a critical step in students' credentialing process, allowing them to gain hands-on experience in real-world healthcare settings. Collaborating with Dr. Brandon Boggs, the program facilitated efficient, on-site testing at both high school campuses, ensuring convenience and equitable access for all eligible students.



## Impact on Students and Community

The initiative directly benefited 91 Health Careers students, eliminating a common financial hurdle associated with completing clinical prerequisites. This access not only enhances their readiness for internships but also fosters early engagement with local healthcare systems, encouraging students to pursue careers in nursing, allied health, and medical professions within the community. By investing in these students, BMHCD contributes to developing a sustainable and locally rooted healthcare workforce.

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## Future Workforce Development

Accessible TB testing supports long-term workforce development by enabling more students to complete their certifications and enter the healthcare workforce. As these students advance to higher education or begin employment in healthcare facilities, the community benefits from an increased pool of qualified, motivated professionals who are committed to serving locally. BMHCD's investment strengthens the alignment between secondary education, healthcare training, and community health needs.



## Conclusion

This collaborative effort between Bloss Memorial Healthcare District and Dr. Brandon Boggs exemplifies a proactive investment in the future of community healthcare. By removing barriers to essential TB testing, BMHCD not only supports student success but also advances its mission to promote accessible, high-quality healthcare for all. The contribution represents a meaningful step toward cultivating a skilled, compassionate, and locally engaged healthcare workforce.

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