



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

GCCISD Students Attend M.A.C.H.O. Event

Forty-five young men from Goose Creek CISD high schools recently attended the Men Acquiring Careers in Health Occupations (M.A.C.H.O.) event at Lee College. M.A.C.H.O. was sponsored by the Gulf Coast Partners Achieving Student Success (GCPASS), a partnership between Lee College and GCCISD designed to increase student success.

Decked out in their olive green M.A.C.H.O. T-shirts, these 9th grade students were divided into three groups, rotating through three sessions. Classes included Forensics, Anatomy/Physiology and Sports Medicine, and a Simulation Lab with mannequins used for assessing medical conditions. Following lunch in the Student Center, sponsored by GCPASS, a panel moderated by Michelle Duhon, GCCISD Career and Technical Education specialist at Ross S. Sterling High School, provided information to students about their careers and allowed students to ask questions.

Joey Baham, San Jacinto Methodist Human Resources; Gary Carter, LLVN adjunct instructor; Carlos Reyna, certified nurse assistant and current Lee College student; and Dr. Chris Warford, optometrist, participated in the panel. DeDe Griffith from Lee College serves as director of GCPASS.



Goose Creek CISD ninth grade students (l to r) Hector Amador, Goose Creek Memorial High School, and Doohan Escalante, Faisal Abunima, Adulfo Amador, Brannon Bravo, Irving Flores and Antonio Amaya, all from Ross S. Sterling High School, work with a simulator designed to educate students on health care at the recent Men Acquiring Careers in Health Occupations (M.A.C.H.O.) sponsored by GCPASS.

"The purpose of M.A.C.H.O is to expose boys to health care professions or non-traditional classes," said Duhon. "We will offer the Health Science Academy at Sterling next year."

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