

Victor Valley College Press Release

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Victor Valley College Hosts 200 for Nursing School Orientation

The largest number of nursing students in the history of the school (200) gathered this week for orientation at Victor Valley College. The previous number of first through fourth semester students was estimated at 154 participants. Enrollment has substantially increased this year due to a special program funded by Desert Valley and St. Mary Hospitals. The program titled "Evening/Weekend Nursing Program" opened the opportunity for 20 additional nursing students to enroll and will provide funding for fees and scholarships to be paid each semester during the two year program.

The orientation included representatives from all four high desert hospitals (Barstow, Desert Valley, SMMC and VVCH). The program was prepared by the college Nursing Department in an effort to welcome students, introduce the program, outline expectations, and familiarize everyone to the clinical aspect of the program.

The published agenda included; Patient Confidentiality, Patients Right's and Responsibilities, Hospital Emergency Codes, and General Hospital Safety. These and other topics were structured to help the nursing students know about hospital policies and procedures and to understand what is expected of them when they begin their work at the hospitals.