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High School Healthcare Students Get Their Day

February 10, 2009, Murray, UT – On Thursday, February 12th, 2009, from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, students from all along the Wasatch Front will participate in a **Healthcare Career Day** at the **Granite Technical Institute** (GTI) located at 2500 South State, Salt Lake City. Career and Technical Education departments from the Wasatch Front Consortium (Salt Lake City School District, Murray School District, Jordan School District, Granite School District and Tooele School District) have made arrangements to host the more than 900 high school Health Science students from 33 high schools as they learn about professions the health care industries.

Students and their teachers will be bused from their schools to the GTI to participate in several of 17 different hands-on career demonstrations being put on by area professionals. Break-outs will include letting students work on “compounding” lotion in the pharmacy section; suturing pig’s feet in the surgical tech session; dissecting a cows heart; observing a heart pace maker and heart stent up close; viewing many different x-rays in the imaging session; seeing a real placenta and viewing a live baby in the womb via ultrasound.

The 17 career areas students will have the option of attending include:

- **Pediatrics**
- **Dietitian**
- **Vision**
- **Pharmacy**
- **Sports Medicine**
- **Rehabilitation**
- **OB/GYN**
- **Critical Care**
- **Emergency Medicine**
- **Dental**
- **Surgical Technician**
- **Respiratory Technician**
- **Nursing**
- **Mental Health**
- **Cardiology**

- **Surgery**
- **Imaging (Radiology)**

In addition to the MDs, Nurses and Health Science Technicians donating their time and expertise, nine agencies in the valley have given time, materials and money to make the day a successful and meaningful learning experience for students. Students attending the Healthcare Career Day will also receive a “goodie bag” filled with useful things donated by these agencies and vendors. Area healthcare agencies participating the Healthcare Career Day include:

- **Intermountain Health Care**
- **The Moran Eye Center**
- **ISAS Hospital System**
- **Morning Star Hospital System**
- **TOSH (The Orthopedic Specialty Hospital)**
- **Walgreens**
- **Jolley Pharmacy**
- **South Salt Lake Fire Department**
- **Gold Cross Ambulance Service**

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Under the direction of the Murray Schools Board of Education, the mission of the Murray City School District is to work in partnership with the community in the education of youth in a changing society. Richard R. Tranter is superintendent and chief executive officer of the Murray City School District; Laura Baker is president of the Board of Education.

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