

FINANCIAL AID COMES TO HOMESTEAD!

If You've Been Waiting for Financial Aid to Join the Vocational Nursing Program at Homestead, Wait No More!

Many of you have heard about the vocational nursing program offered by Homestead Schools and some of you may even have visited the school, met with the admissions counselor and faculty, taken the entrance exam, and filled out the application to join the program, and then run right into this brick wall shattering your dreams of becoming a licensed vocational nurse because you could not get a student loan to finance your education or because you or your parents did not have sufficient personal funds to pay your way through the school.

In recent months as the financial crisis gripped our banking institutions it has become nearly impossible to obtain a student loan for any kind of a program. Sallie Mae, a major provider of funding for various educational programs, has all but shut down its credit lending programs for students. Homestead had to turn away a large number of ambitious, qualified prospective students simply because they couldn't get a loan or didn't have the personal funds to pay for the schooling.

But the situation has changed now. Homestead Schools was recently approved for Title IV funding programs by the U.S. Department of Education. The U.S. government wants to make sure that no qualified student is held back from getting the education or vocational training that the student needs to become a productive member of the society simply because the student or the family lacks the financial wherewithal.

Under Title IV there're a variety of programs: some involve outright aid with no repayment required; some have direct loans from the U.S. Treasury with low interest rates; some provide loans from private lenders; and in some cases there's a loan program for parents of dependent students. Each situation needs to be looked at individually.

Besides the financial aid and guaranteed loans under Title IV from the U.S. Department of Education, Homestead offers you many benefits when you join their vocational nursing program: all the prescribed text books, equipment for the skills lab and clinical training, smart-looking uniforms, a free laptop computer loaded with over 3,000 NCLEX-style questions to practice your test-taking skills, four-week NCLEX renew classes at no cost to the student, individualized tutoring for those who need it, and employment assistance when you graduate.

So, you see, there's no reason for anyone with the desire and determination to get ahead in life to be held back.

Your first step is to contact George Dayrit, the financial aid administrator at Homestead Schools. Call him at (310) 791-9975 and set up an appointment. He'll give you a complete rundown on all the programs. He'll analyze your personal financial situation and explain to you the various options available. He'll determine the amount of financial aid available to you. He'll also look at your income to see if you might be eligible for subsidized loans. In other words, he'll put an entire package together for you.

Homestead offers its vocational nursing classes on three schedules: day classes from 9 to 3; evening from 4 to 10; and part-time weekend classes from 8 to 4 on Saturdays and Sundays. The next set of classes start in October and November. The school is presently accepting applications for the classes. Each class has only a limited number of openings and these will be filled up very quickly. So make your appointment today.

The number to call is (310) 791-9975 or visit the school at 23844 Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 200, Torrance, CA 90505