

Homestead...

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 only school that offers its students a laptop computer loaded with NCLEX-style questions so that students can hone their test-taking skills and exercise the application of the knowledge gained in the classroom while they're at home. In the classroom, each student has the use of a computer which the student uses for quizzes, term and final exams, and for Internet research.

Homestead is also the only school that offers its students a free, 4-week NCLEX review at the end of the regular school year. Most schools offer perhaps a 3- or 4-day review class for which students are asked to pay extra money. Just these practices alone may explain why the school has maintained such a high passing rate.

There's something more. Homestead Schools' NCLEX-review classes are open to all its past students at no additional charge.

Sometimes a student is unable to take the NCLEX exam immediately and waits a few months. The school allows, in fact encourages, the student to attend the next review class and refresh the material before appearing for the exam.

For its business model, the school has adopted the policy of helping students who are motivated to join the program but do not have the financial wherewithal required of a vocational nursing school. As we all know, in these economic times it's very difficult to qualify for a student loan. Sallie Mae, a chief source of student loans until last year, and private banks have stopped making any loans regardless of a person's credit score. In comes Homestead. The school student counselor works with each student and sometimes their parents to fashion an individualized installment pay plan to meet the budget. With a minimal down payment and affordable monthly payments every worthy student is able to join the program.

The school was recently accredited by ABHES, a national accrediting agency for health education schools approved by the Department of Education. The school has applied to the DOE for eligibility to disburse Title IV grants and loans to qualified students. Many of the students joining the vocational nursing classes now may be able to take advantage of federal funding when it becomes available later in the year.

The school is starting a full-time day class (9am - 3 pm) and another weekend class (Sat - Sun. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.) this month. The next full-time evening class will start in July (4 p.m. - 10 p.m.). The school is accepting applications for all these classes. The school is located at 23844 Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 200, Torrance and its student counselor, George Dayrit, can be reached at (310) 791-9975.

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