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## MEDIA ADVISORY

## **Duncan Hosts Groundbreaking Ceremony for New Health Services Building**

What: Duncan Polytechnical High School will break ground for a new health programs building

**When:** Friday, Sept. 17, 2021

9:30-10:30 a.m.

Where: Duncan Polytechnical High School

4330 E. Garland Ave. (93726)

The public can watch the ceremony live on the district's Facebook page.

Duncan Polytechnical High School will officially break ground for a new building that will house its <u>Medical Academy of Science and Health (MASH) programs</u>. The building will support students in the medical pathways of Nursing Services (certified nursing assistant), Rehabilitation Therapy and Pharmacy Technician. The medical building is expected to be completed by the fall of 2022.

Each of the pathways offers students the opportunity to go immediately into the work force and/or higher education after graduation. Students start the MASH academy in ninth grade and during their four years can earn industry recognized certifications in CPR, Blood Borne Pathogens, HIPAA and OSHA 10 for Healthcare leading up to their 12<sup>th</sup> grade pathway certification as a CNA, in rehabilitation therapy, or as a pharmacy technician.

"This new facility will support all the fantastic work already going on at Duncan to prepare students for careers in the health industry and provide much needed qualified applicants for our local health care providers," said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

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