Lori Rice-Spearman, Ph.D.

Why is TTUHSC building a new campus in Mansfield? 00:06

Part of the mission of our university is to address access for underserved areas, and a few years back Methodist Hospital system reached out to us and asked us if we would consider a collaboration so that they could increase the number of nurses in their community. And that's exactly what we are designed to do. And so we began the process of collaborating with them. And we're excited to be a part of a solution in Mansfield.

How is this an example of the university's vision of transforming health care through innovation and collaboration?

00:36 Is this the first time the university has had a presence or partnership in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area?

The School of Nursing for our university has always been one of the jewels in our crown. The Faculty of this particular school are very innovative in their academic programming. Our students were one of the first students in the state and the nation that fully engaged in simulation training. And in fact, our simulation program is nationally renowned, with our seven accredited simulation centers. And so we're really excited about bringing that technology bringing that innovation and collaborating in those communities to come to Mansfield.

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Actually, it's not we have been in the Dallas Fort Worth area through our School of Nursing for about 10 years. We have some online programming, nursing programming that's very popular in the Dallas Fort Worth area. Prior to this, we've had about 100 students in that community. And so by adding the traditional BSN program, we will be rounding out our nursing offerings there in the DFW area.