Emergency Medical Services Transcription

Speaker: Doug Barnett, Assistant Chief, Normal Fire Department

"Heartland's relationship with the Normal Fire Department started several years ago when we were tasked with the challenge several years ago to train several paramedics so we could upgrade our service from the EMT basic to the paramedic level."

Action: Students practicing rescue methods in classroom exercise

Speaker: Robert Reynolds, Jr., EMS Professor

"Once students leave Heartland with EMT licenses, they have a variety of opportunities. They can go on to the area hospitals and work as technicians in the emergency department, intensive care units. They can go on into fire fighting, and many have become nurses and have become physicians as well."

Action: Students using EMS equipment prepare volunteer student for safe transport in class exercise

Speaker: Brittnie, EMS Student

"One of the coolest things about the job field is you're the first person there for them. Aside from the person that called 911, you're the first person on scene to care for them before the doctors and nurses, and so they really depend on you a lot."

Action: Students strapping a student volunteer into mobile chair for safe transport

Speaker: Skipp Shaefbauer, Normal Firefighter, Practical Skills Assistant

"When the students here at Heartland are ready to test out on their practical skills in the EMT basic course, I will come in and observe those skills and make sure that they're doing them correctly. Some of those skills may include bandaging, splinting, spinal immobilization, techniques that they will have to use eventually when they're working out in the field. One of the nice things that
students here at Heartland get to do during the course is actually participate in some real live ride time, which would be with a local fire department, where they'll be on the ambulance with certified EMT's and they'll get some real life experience.”

Action: Students practicing other practical skills using EMS equipment

Speaker: Robert Reynolds, Jr.

"If you want to get up and you want to move, and you want to get involved, EMS is a field for you."

Action: Student is secured for safe transport in class practice session

Action: Students interacting around a computer exercise in class