



# SWOPE HEALTH SERVICES<sup>SM</sup>

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## **Swope Health Services Expands Mobile Medical Services to Center School District Uninsured students and their families will benefit**

**Kansas City, Mo.** - Swope Health Services is expanding its mobile health care services to the Center School District. On Tuesday, January 15, 2008, the SHS mobile medical clinic (MMC) paid its first visit to Center Elementary School, located at 8401 Euclid and will continue service every Tuesday, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. throughout the school year.



The MMC will meet many basic health care needs: primary health care, immunizations, wellness examinations for children and adults, and preventive health education and nutritional assessment. Swope Health Services will provide medical staff for the state-of-the-art mobile center, equipped with two medical treatment rooms, laboratory, a rest room and is wheelchair accessible.

Concurrently, Swope's MMC is serving the Ft. Osage School District, providing on-site health services on Mondays and Thursdays for five different school locations in the school district. Services in Ft. Osage were initiated in March 2007.

“The MMC allows Swope Health Services to bring much needed medical services to clients who are faced with inadequate insurance, transportation and a shortage of medical providers,” said Jimmy Brown, Vice President of Operations at Swope Health Services, “Right now, it’s the only mobile clinic in the surrounding area, providing us with a prime opportunity to collaborate with sponsors and various local agencies to bring health care to urban and rural areas in need,” he added.

Mobile health services at Center Elementary School are made possible through a partnership among Swope Health Services, the Center School District and the Local Investment Commission (LINC). Primary funding to support the health services comes from a grant from the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City.

# Background About The Partners



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Swope Health Services seeks to help develop self-empowered, healthy people in healthy communities by providing primary health care, outreach and behavioral health services throughout the Kansas City area. Annually, more than 40,000 patients are served through eight clinic and residential treatment locations. More than 90 percent of patients live below the poverty level. [www.swopehealth.org](http://www.swopehealth.org)



Center School District is a fully accredited pre-kindergarten through 12th grade district comprising eight school sites, located in the southern part of Kansas City. The District has a full range of academic programs designed to prepare its 2,500 student body for continued education at colleges, universities, and technical schools as well as post high school employment. The district embraces the cultural diversity of its student population as a way of enriching their experiences and better preparing them for success in the world in which they will live and work. [www.center.k12.mo.us](http://www.center.k12.mo.us)



LINC is a Kansas City-based non-profit whose works with low-income neighborhoods and families through its Caring Communities initiative. It has 60 Caring Communities sites in five school districts including the Center School District. [www.kclinc.org](http://www.kclinc.org)