

[New VNA Health Center at former Aurora school called a 'significant milestone'](#)

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“The VNA Health Center at the Jeff Craig Family Resource Center, housed in the former Mary Todd School at Oak and New York streets on the near West Side of Aurora, will serve West Aurora School District students and possibly eventually staff.

‘It’s an exciting milestone for VNA,’ said Linnea Windel, VNA Health Care president and chief executive officer. ‘It’s a natural next step to open a school-linked health center.’

Mike Shales, VNA board president, called Monday ‘another significant milestone’ in the VNA mission of providing affordable health care.

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The new center will couple with the Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry to provide both medical care and nutrition support for West Aurora School District households...School physicals and immunizations are among the services the new center will provide. It also will include routine medical care, acute illness and injury care, chronic illness care, wellness exams and routine health screenings, lead screenings, tuberculosis tests and other lab services.

It also will engage in smoking, vaping, alcohol and drug use prevention education, mental and behavioral health services, and referrals for vision, dental, family counseling and other services.

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The new health center will be open year-round. Same-day appointments and walk-in hours are available, and services are offered in English and Spanish. West Aurora School District will provide transportation services between schools and the health center, meaning students can receive care during the school day.

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