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AdventHealth Lake Wales donated several boxes of supplies to help Webber International University student-athletes (photo courtesy: AdventHealth)

AdventHealth donates medical supplies to support Webber International University student-athletes after fire

LAKE WALES, Fla. (Thursday, October 16, 2025) -- AdventHealth Lake Wales donated hundreds of essential medical supplies to Webber International University following a fire that damaged the university's training room and destroyed critical equipment and supplies.

In addition to destroying the training room, the fire on August 15 left the university's athletic teams, including 140 football players, in need of important health and safety resources for injuries sustained during practices and games. In response, Webber's leadership reached out for help, and AdventHealth answered the call.

On Thursday, October 16, AdventHealth Lake Wales provided a wide range of urgently needed items, including wound care supplies, splints, wraps and other medical essentials. The donation ensures student-athletes can continue receiving proper care and protection as they recover and play out the remainder of their season.

"At AdventHealth, we believe in extending the healing ministry of Christ beyond hospital walls," said Royce Brown, CEO of AdventHealth Lake Wales. "When Webber International University President Dr. Nelson Marquez asked for support, we knew we had to act. Supporting the health and safety of these student-athletes is part of our commitment to whole-person care and to being a trusted partner in our community's well-being."

This donation reflects AdventHealth's ongoing dedication to serving local schools, organizations, and families, especially in times of urgent need.

"On behalf of the faculty, staff, and students of Webber International University, I want to express our heartfelt gratitude for AdventHealth's generous donation of medical supplies for our athletic teams. Your support plays a vital role in helping us ensure the health, safety, and performance of our student-athletes," Dr. Marquez said. "Your commitment to community wellness and partnership truly exemplifies the values we strive to instill in our students: care, collaboration, and excellence. We deeply appreciate your investment in our athletes' well-being and your continued partnership in promoting a healthy campus community."



Members of the Webber International University football team helped unload the donated items.

(photo courtesy: AdventHealth)



The donated items included wound care supplies, splints, wraps and other medical essentials (photo courtesy: AdventHealth)



*Photo of some of the boxes and baskets of donated supplies provided by AdventHealth Lake Wales
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