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BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – Dozens of local healthcare providers and organizations will be on hand to promote healthy living at Gardner-Webb's annual health fair, Tuesday, March 6 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Bost Gym. Admission is free, and open to the community.

Every year, the GWU Health Fair enables students and members of the community to build relationships with local health agencies, promoting awareness about the latest health-related trends and offering the knowledge and resources necessary to pursue healthy lifestyles.

"We always try to promote a holistic view of health—not just what it means to be physically healthy, but how to make the best choices for nutritional, psychological, and even spiritual health," said Brian Arnold, GWU's assistant director of student activities. "The event is a great opportunity for our students, and for members of the community, to learn what great local resources are available if they want to live healthier lifestyles."

Local doctors, chiropractors, massage therapists, fitness experts, nutritionists, psychological and spiritual health counselors, and even health drink representatives will offer information and free giveaways. Several health-related student clubs will give free blood pressure checks and BMI tests. The Health Department will even offer flu shots for purchase (free for GWU students, faculty and staff).

"The Health Fair is always an educational time," said Arnold, "but it's a fun time too. We'll offer raffles and giveaways, and a lot of the representatives give out souvenirs of their own. But most importantly, we hope the Fair will inspire people to take better care of their minds, bodies, and souls."

For more information about the Health Fair, contact Brian Arnold at (704) 406-3552.

Note: The health fair is an educational event for all members of the community, not a job fair. Healthcare professionals should not bring resumes or approach providers about employment at this event.

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