

SWOSU Students Enjoy Air Evac Demonstration

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SWOSU athletic training students recently enjoyed a demonstration on the Weatherford campus from the Air Evac Life team of Elk City.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Organization of Student Athletic Trainers (OSAT) recently experienced an Air Evac Life team demonstration on the Weatherford campus.

Landing in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center parking lot, the company's helicopter from Elk City brought a lot of attention from those passing by, according to Leah Cox of the SWOSU program. After the propellers came to a stop, the three-person crew showed off their mobile workspace.

In addition to learning about the equipment contained in the helicopters, the athletic training students learned how to prepare athletes for medical flight transports and were able to practice spine-boarding. Cox said it was a great educational experience and was greatly appreciated by the OSAT.

The athletic training program at SWOSU prepares students to be health care professionals who collaborate with physicians to provide preventative services, emergency care, clinical diagnosis, therapeutic intervention, and rehabilitation of injuries and medical conditions. Students who want to become certified athletic trainers must earn a degree from an accredited athletic training curriculum, which SWOSU offers to students.