

From paper-and-fax to a single source of truth — across four programs and fifteen faculty.

How AIMS Community College standardized skills assessment across nurse aide, med prep, emergency response, and acute care — and built the documentation trail to defend its program when it mattered.

Institution AIMS Community College **Department** Nursing & Allied Health **Programs** Four, with one in pipeline **Faculty** 12–15

THE CHALLENGE

AIMS runs multiple allied health programs that culminate in skills-based final exams. With twelve to fifteen instructors and paper-based assessments, two problems persisted: pulling together evidence for a student appeal could take hours of digging through files, and the department chair had no easy way to spot patterns across instructors, classes, or skills.



Multiple programs, paper-based final exams



Twelve to fifteen faculty across allied health



Defensible documentation needed for appeals

THE SOLUTION

Skillgrader rolled out across four programs — nurse aide, med prep, responding to emergencies, and acute care — replacing pencil-and-paper checklists with tablet-based assessment. The department chair gained centralized data accessible from her desk, with per-step scoring and notes available for downstream review.

- ✓ Deployed across four allied health programs
- ✓ Centralized dashboard for the department chair
- ✓ Tablet-based, replacing pencil and paper
- ✓ Per-step scoring with notes for audit and review

THE IMPACT

BEFORE SKILLGRADER	WITH SKILLGRADER
Pencil-and-paper checklists, faxed in for processing	Tablet-based assessment with structured per-step scoring
Pulling evidence for a student appeal took hours	Department chair pulls a complete record at her desk
No easy way to see patterns across instructors or skills	Cross-program data exposes where reinforcement is needed
Each program ran its own version of the same process	Standardized assessment across four allied health programs

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programs running on Skillgrader

12–15

faculty using the platform

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chair, full department visibility

Multi-skill

nurse aide · med prep · emergency · acute

Audit-ready

documentation for state and advisory board

Tablet-based

replacing paper, pencil, and fax

"It has streamlined our process. The data we get is easily accessible and has definitely made my job easier to find the data to improve our programs."



Shelly Powell

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