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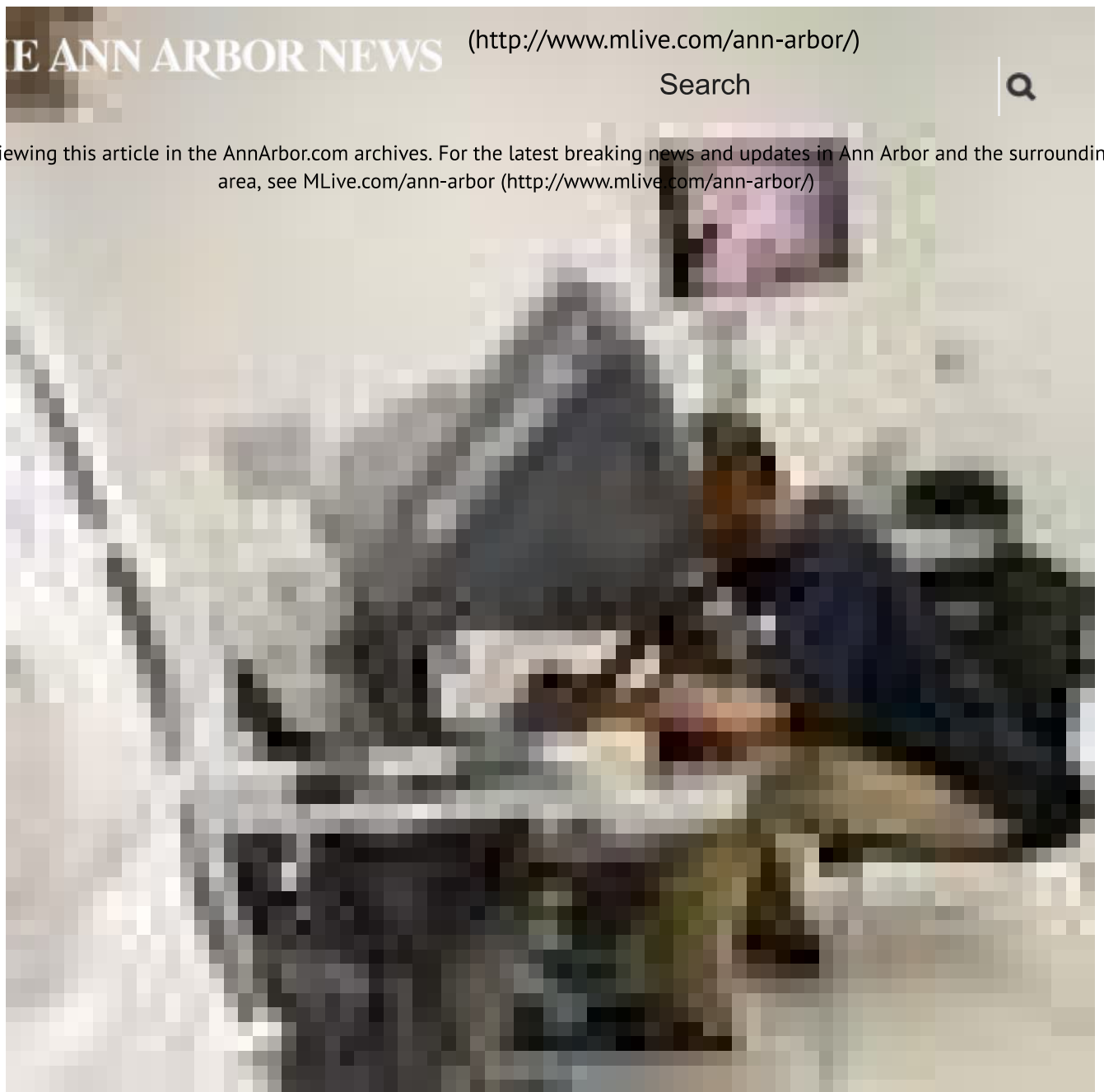
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Cass Tech freshman from left, Devin Moses, 14, Redwan Binrouf, 14, and Silas Shorter, 14, practice compressions as they use a defibrillator during a tour of the Clinical Simulation Center at University of Michigan Hospital on Thursday, Jan. 10. Melanie Maxwell | AnnArbor.com/calendar/photologue/photos/00UMSimulator/cache/011013_NEWS_SimulationCenter_MRM_07_fullsize.jpg
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About 20 ninth-grade students from **Cass Technical High School** (<http://detroitk12.org/schools/school/510/>) in Detroit tried their hand at a variety of medical and surgical procedures Thursday as a part of the "Doctors of Tomorrow" program (<http://www.uofmhealth.org/news/archive/201211/inspiring-doctors-tomorrow>) at the **University of Michigan**.



The mentor program began in October and connects high school students in under-served areas to career enrichment activities at U-M. (<http://www.mlive.com/ann-arbor/>)

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The four-year partnership between Cass Tech and U-M also includes health-related capstone project work by the students, job shadowing and college admissions workshops. You are viewing this article in the Ann Arbor.com archives. For the latest breaking news and updates in Ann Arbor and the surrounding area, see [MLive.com/ann-arbor](http://www.mlive.com/ann-arbor/) (<http://www.mlive.com/ann-arbor/>)

Thursday, the participating students visited the Clinical Simulation Center at University Hospital where they were able to practice surgical techniques using laparoscopic devices and the da Vinci Robotic Surgical System, where AnnArbor.com photographer Melanie Maxwell shot these photos.

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