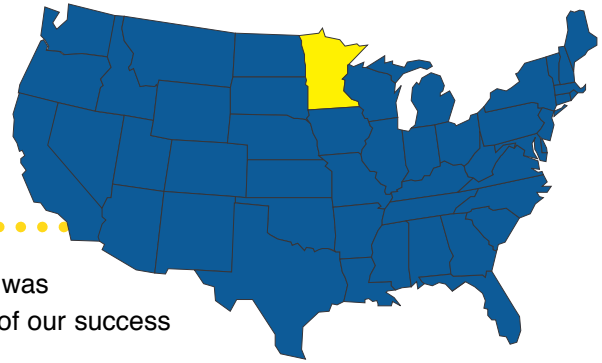


Minnesota HOSA *Makes a Big Connection with Hospital Supporters*



This year's Fall Delegate Assembly in Minnesota was proof that the healthcare industry is a vital part of our success and a willing supporter of HOSA.

For the past two years, Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis has assisted in making a connection with HOSA members by hosting our Fall Delegate Assembly at their facility and offering tours of the hospital and exhibits for the students. This year our industry connection with the Fall Delegate Assembly was tripled when the Allina Hospitals & Clinics wanted to help sponsor the event.

At the conference, over 500 HOSA members and advisors were treated to hospital tours in three hospitals. There were over 30 exhibits for the students with hands-on activities. One of the highlights was when the presidents of the hospitals and the Supervisor of Career and Technical Education from the Department Of Education talked to the students about healthcare and about their goals.

An interesting thing happened at the conference. When asked to speak, one hospital official stated that he would be happy to address the students, but had to be first and could not stay because of other commitments. When this speaker arrived and saw the HOSA members and the enthusiasm they brought with them, he stayed most of the morning to talk to the students. He told us his other business could wait.

The conference was a big success, made even more successful when Allina asked for a 3 year sponsorship agreement with Minnesota HOSA!



HOSA is no longer an abbreviation that we have to explain in Minnesota. HOSA is a name people recognize and an organization people want to know more about. This is a great time for Minnesota HOSA!

HOSA members on a hospital tour during the Fall Delegate Assembly.