

NEONI's Healthcare Career Shadowing Year-End Summary Report

2010-2011 Academic Year

The Center's workforce initiative, NEONI, has wrapped up its Healthcare Career Shadowing 2010-2011 academic year. During the school year, 550 high school students from 10 Northeast Ohio counties shadowed in 24 hospitals throughout the region. Students had the opportunity to shadow in the nursing field, as well as in six allied health professions, including Laboratory Medicine, Occupational Therapy, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Radiology, and Respiratory Therapy.

Based on a NEONI survey of 181 senior students who participated in shadowing, 91.1 percent of students who participated in the shadowing program are still planning on pursuing a career in healthcare. Additionally, 91.2 percent said their shadowing experience had an impact on their decision to pursue a career in healthcare.

Beginning in the fall of 2011, hospitals, schools and students participating in NEONI's Shadowing Program will see many new updates and enhancements made to the online scheduling system. These changes will help streamline and make scheduling easier and more efficient. Documents and reports containing shadowing data will now be available in real time, and students and hospitals will have access to online schedules, student lists, hospital/counselor contact information, and more.

Plans are being made to expand the NEONI Healthcare Career Shadowing Program in Lake and Geauga counties. Hospitals and schools in these two counties have already expressed interest in the program beginning this fall.

The following summary report for the 2010-2011 academic year has been segmented by county and distributed to participating hospitals and schools. If you have any questions regarding NEONI's Healthcare Career Shadowing Program, please contact Sandy Touschner at sandra.touschner@chanet.org or at 216.255.3661.

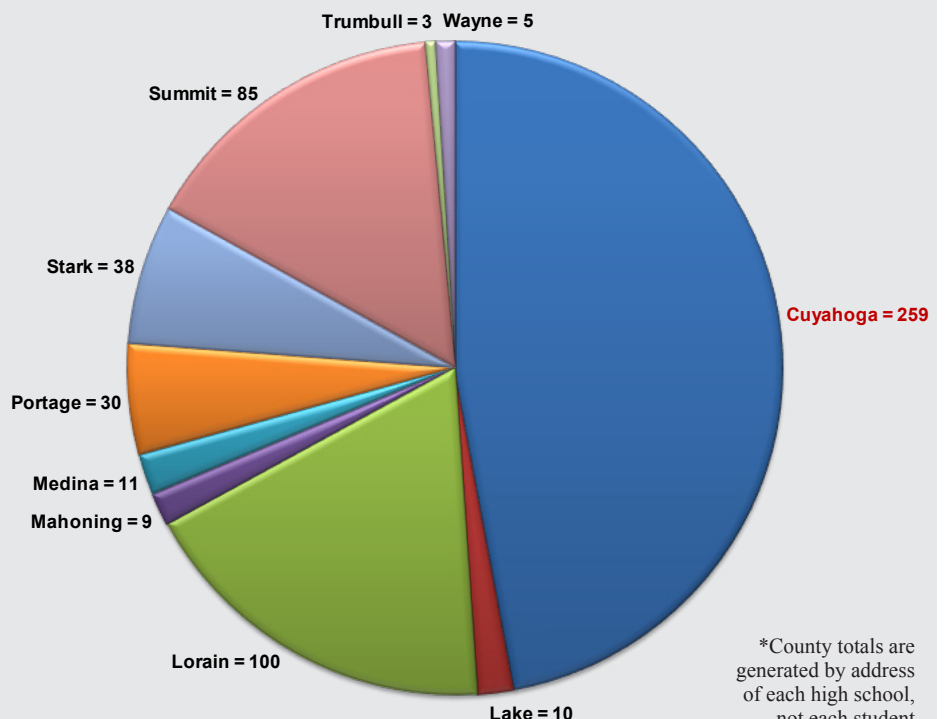
Cuyahoga County



Through NEONI's Healthcare Career Shadowing Program, 550 high school students shadowed healthcare professionals at Northeast Ohio hospitals during the 2010-2011 academic year.

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Number of Participating High School Students by County*

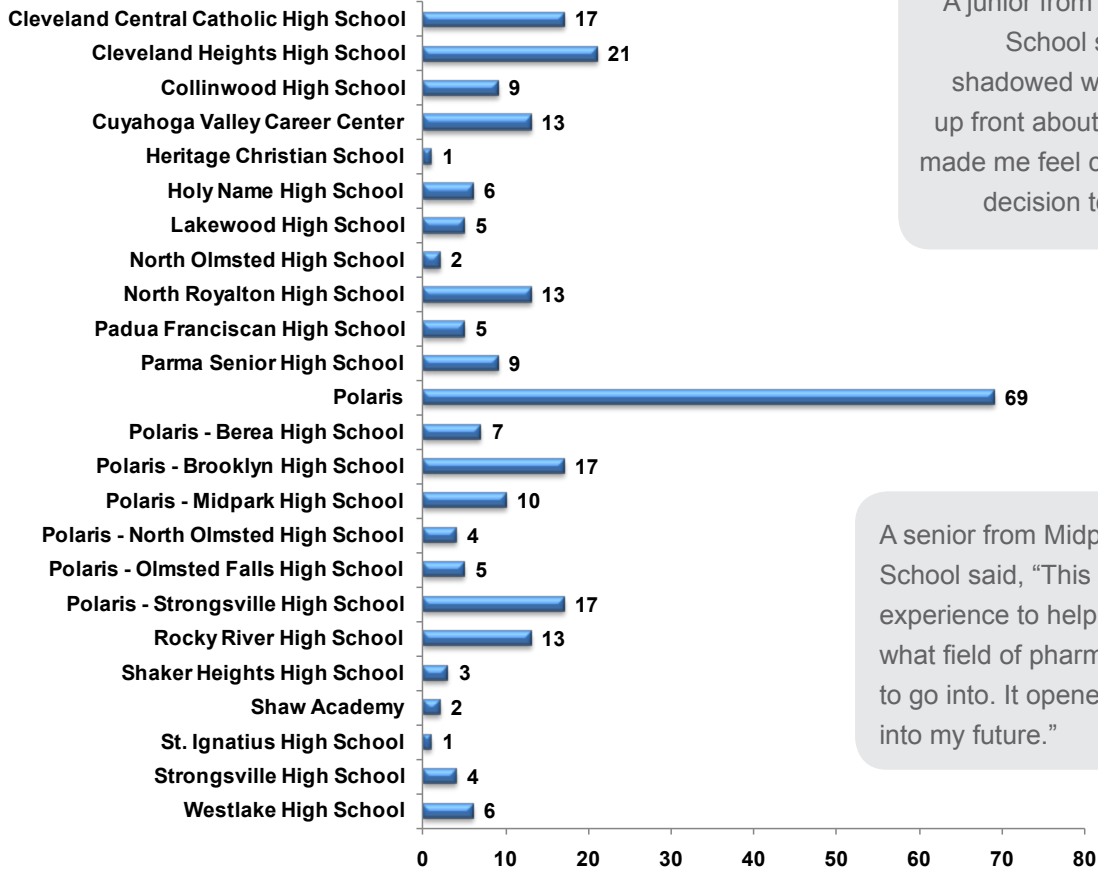


*County totals are generated by address of each high school, not each student



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Number of Participating Students from Cuyahoga County High Schools



A junior from Parma Senior High School said, "The RN that I shadowed was very honest and up front about her experiences. It made me feel comfortable with my decision to become a nurse."

A senior from Midpark High School said, "This was a great experience to help decide what field of pharmacy I want to go into. It opened my eyes into my future."

Number of Participating High School Students by Hospital

Hospital	Number of Students
Akron General Medical Center	43
Children's Hospital Beeghly Campus	7
Children's Hospital Medical Center of Akron	78
Cleveland Clinic	28
EMH Amherst Hospital	17
EMH Elyria Medical Center	41
Fairview Hospital	30
Hillcrest Hospital	10
Lakewood Hospital	13
Louis Stokes, Cleveland VA Medical Center	1
Lutheran Hospital	8
Marymount Hospital	13

Hospital	Number of Students
Medina General Hospital	9
Mercy Regional Medical Center	33
MetroHealth Medical Center	104
Parma Community General Hospital	12
Robinson Memorial Hospital	26
South Pointe Hospital	10
Southwest General Health Center	3
St. John Medical Center	19
St. Vincent Charity Medical Center	10
Summa St. Thomas Hospital	2
Summa Akron City Hospital	18
Summa Akron City Hospital - Allied	15



The Center for Health Affairs workforce initiative, NEONI, is a collaboration of more than 200 professional nurses representing 74 organizations in 12 Northeast Ohio counties who work together to strengthen and grow Northeast Ohio healthcare jobs. They work to attract individuals to healthcare professions, facilitate education, and increase public understand of the healthcare workforce shortages across the region. For more information, visit www.NEONI.org.