

Job Shadow Student Testimonials

Everyone at the business site was very kind and welcoming and seemed to be genuinely enjoying their jobs. It made the whole visit a lot less intimidating.

-Blake, Marion HS, Computer Network Administrator

I was undecided about what career I wanted to go into and this job shadow really helped narrow down my choices.

-Ella, Solon HS, Graphic Designer

It was incredibly helpful to meet a genetic counselor in person and ask questions about their education and what they do on a daily basis. Touring the cytogenetics lab allowed me to experience a field I knew little about and increased my interest in the field.

-Kamara, City HS, Genetics Day

The questions everyone else was asking were questions I was also wondering about. It's nice to know a lot of us don't know exactly what we're wanting to do, it made me feel more at ease.

-Elizabeth, Kennedy HS, Financial Services Day

Ms. Phelan gave really great advice for what to expect in college and in the workplace. It was an interesting experience being in the classroom on the teacher's side for once.

-Macey, Center Point-Urbana HS, English Teacher

It helped me to fully understand what working in this field was like, the skills needed for the job, and what courses to take in high school and college.

- Jacey, Kennedy HS, Museum Curator

This job shadow helped me immensely. It helped me verify that this is in fact what I want to do after high school and lifted a huge weight off my shoulders worrying about it.

-Kaitlyn, North Cedar HS, Junior Medical School

This job shadow opened my eyes to a variety of different agricultural careers. I learned that even being in a research lab is related to agriculture and before I never even thought about agriculture that way.

-Paige, Iowa Valley HS, Animal Health Sciences Exploration Day

I learned that some branches of engineering are definitely not for me, while some others I want to look into further.

-Nicholas, Regina HS, Architecture and Engineering Day

It was really cool to see the ins and outs of what I want to do in the future and it gave me a good idea of the skills I need to have to do it well.

-Emily, Cedar Rapids Washington HS, High School Teacher

I liked that it was in a local business, because I got to learn how they impact my town.

-Libby, Mid-Prairie HS, Pharmacist

This job shadow experience helped me understand what I can do after finishing high school.

This is great as it can be a very confusing time for many kids my age.

-Liao, West HS, Biomedical Engineering Day

I thought it was a very valuable experience to talk to professionals who had different experiences and careers in law. I definitely benefited from their guidance. I learned what classes are necessary in high school, the differences between state and federal court, and how to plan in the future if I want to continue with a career in law.

-Katelyn, Vinton-Shellsburg HS, Attorney

I learned more about Mitosis which we were already learning about in school. Also I learned about laboratories, and how research laboratories work.

-Rachel, Prairie HS, Genetics Day

What I enjoyed most about my job shadow was how friendly everyone there was and how much information they gave everyone.

-Amayah, Lisbon HS, Junior Medical School

It was very helpful and I learned about what I can do now to prepare for college or this career.

-Emma, Regina HS, Orthodontist

I liked how we got to see different places and how all the different trades worked together.

- Cameron, Marion HS, Skilled Trades Day

I liked hearing the tips she gave and the stories about what she loves most about her job.

-Rachel, HLV HS, Cosmetology

This job shadow helped open my eyes to the applications of this career in the real world. It also helped pull me back towards a career path I had begun to be on the fence about by showing me the wide variety of things this work involves and reminding me how interesting I find it all.

-Amelia, Clear Creek Amana HS, Advertising

We got to ask a ton of questions about what it would be like to be a medical student. We found out things we can't necessarily just look up.

- Madelyn, West HS, Junior Medical School

I value this experience too much because I love being able to get a taste for a job to see what it's like instead of going all the way through college and get the degree and everything for that job to find out that I hate it.

-Taylor, Central City HS, Athletic Trainer

This job shadow helped me to better understand what technicians do and how hardworking they are. I liked how everyone i walked by had a positive attitude and had smiles on their faces. I valued it a lot and really glad I did it!

-Ethan, Alburnett HS, Auto Technician

I was able to understand the medical school process better, and think more about whether it's the best option for me. I learned a little more about the body and how to interact with patients.

-Nicole, Alburnett HS, Junior Medical School

Best part of my job shadow experience? They had lots of experience and gave me advice on how to evaluate what I wanted to pursue as a career.

-Brady, Marion HS, Accountant

My dream career is music producing but after my job shadow, I have decided that it would be my backup plan.

-Kilee, Midland HS, Media/Event Production Day

My favorite part was the Davinci robot. I've always thought that was cool and I loved being able to try it.

-Ingrid, City HS, Surgical Tech Day

I liked how everyone there was so nice to us and they took time out of their day to say hi to us or talk to us about what they do.

-Breanna, Prairie HS, Creative Marketing Day

The small group of students that also got into this job shadow. It was comforting knowing I wasn't alone in picking a career. Even just knowing that there are others in this local area who are facing the same decisions is comforting.

-Mitchell, Highland HS, Chemical Engineer