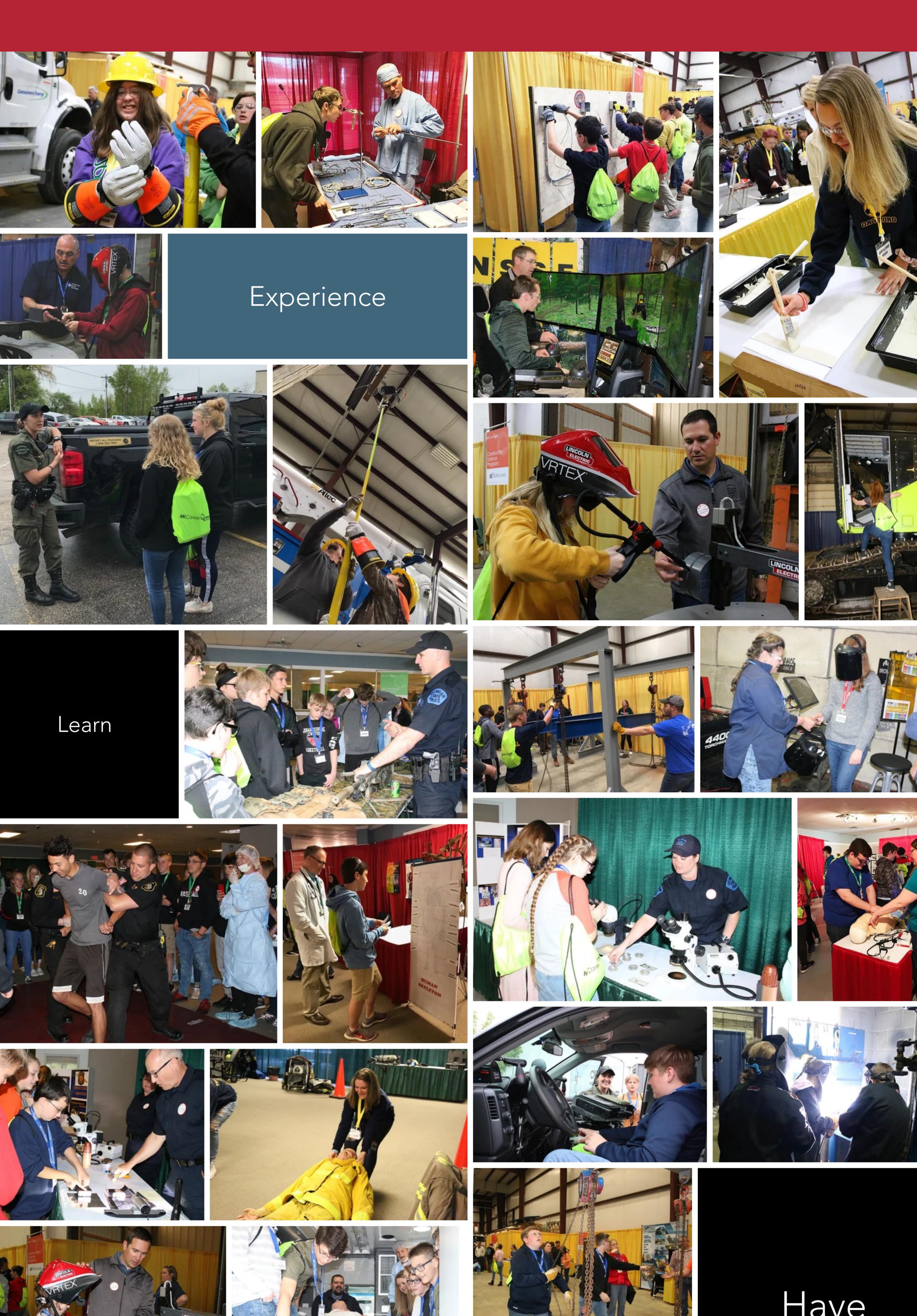
MICAREERQUEST NORTHEAST 2019



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2019 EVENT RECAP

On Tuesday, May 28, eager students from across northeast Michigan participated in the first MiCareerQuest Northeast hands-on career exploration event. MiCareerQuest Northeast is the largest one-day, career exploration event for high school students ever held in the region. The event was coordinated by Michigan Works! Northeast Consortium and was held at the Industrial Arts Institute in Onaway, MI.

Over 1,000 students from 22 schools in an 11 county region (Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Alpena, Alcona, Cheboygan, Montmorency, Otsego, Oscoda, Crawford, Ogemaw, Roscommon, and Iosco) attended MiCareerQuest Northeast. During their MiCareerQuest experience, students got a chance to participate in hands-on simulations and demonstrations in a variety of in-demand careers. The event was open to students grades 6-12.

MiCareerQuest Northeast featured **50** exhibiting organizations, showcasing more than **125** in-demand occupations in four industry quadrants: construction, healthcare, manufacturing, and technology. The purpose of the event was to create awareness of the rewarding jobs available in northeast Michigan, many of which have a talent shortage today and are anticipated to have even greater demand in the future.

Over **80** volunteers from Michigan Works! agencies, partner organizations, local community groups, and other groups assisted with the event to make sure everything ran smoothly.

More than **200** working professionals participated in the event, volunteering their time and eager to share their passion for their respective industries. Exhibitors spent the past several months designing interactive demonstrations designed to engage students and highlight the skills needed to succeed.

"This was my favorite field trip I've ever had! It was the best!" said Jackson, a Gaylord St. Mary's student.

"It was amazing," agreed a Johannesburg-Lewiston student. "So many hands on activities and we got to pick what interested us. I have some ideas now on what I might want to be."

"I can't express how amazing this opportunity was for our Inland Lakes students," said Elizabeth Fairbanks. "It was so

helpful for our college and career goals discussions."

"The best job fair I have ever been to!" said Michael Ratz, Secondary Science Teacher at Wolverine Schools. "The

hand on experiences the students and myself were able to do were amazing. Really puts things into perspective."

"This was a very well organized day," said Pam Handrich, Special Education Teacher at Fairview Schools. "Our

students really enjoyed the experience."