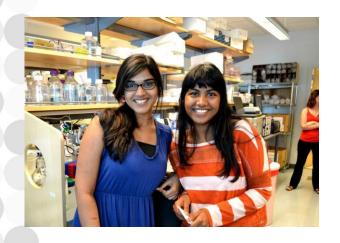


# What is HOSA?



Tour of the Dermody Research Lab Vanderbilt Medical Center

- a national student led organization for pre-health majors
- a *career laboratory* where students commit significant time and effort to learning and practicing job-related knowledge and skills
- competitive events test students' competencies and skills in their chosen health profession
- members attend conferences and workshops for leadership training



# **COMPETITIVE EVENTS**



- Biotechnology
- Physical Therapy
- Medical Math
- Human Growth & Development
- Pathophysiology
- Pharmacology
- Nutrition
- CPR/First Aid
- Epidemiology

- Healthy Lifestyles
- Medical Photography
- Persuasive Speaking
- Extemporaneous Writing
- Forensic Medicine
- Biomedical Debate
- Medical Reading
- Health Education
- Outstanding HOSA Chapter
- National Service Project
- Barbara James Service Award



## THE ROAD TO NATIONALS

#### **National Leadership Conference**

Qualifying exams and competitors. Held in June in Anaheim, CA



Top 3 move on

#### **State Leadership Conference**

Qualifying exams and competitors. Held in late March in Orlando, FL



Top 3 move on

#### **Regional Leadership Conference**

Qualifying exams and competitors. Held in late January



## **Local HOSA Chapter**

Members are chosen to represent their chapter in the Regional competitions



NLC 2013 Opryland Hotel Nashville, TN



# **2014 HOSA NATIONAL RESULTS**

- Outstanding HOSA Chapter
- ▲ 2nd in Biotechnology
- ▲ 2nd in Physical Therapy
- ▲ 3nd in Healthy Lifestyle
- 3rd in Ext. Health Writing
- ▲ 3rd in Growth & Development





# **HOSA HIPs**

- career laboratory
  - students develop workplace readiness skills
  - leadership development
  - significant commitment to learning and practicing job-related skills
  - "soft skills" in communication, teamwork, interpersonal skills, dependability and professional conduct
- community engagement is recognized at both the state and national levels
- students OWN this organization
- peer-to-peer mentoring
- the advisor provides one-on-one career intensive advising and mentoring



# Wrap Up

#### The Kids are Alright

- ▲ top ranked MD/PHD, Dental, and MPH programs
- Health Science Supervisor for the State of Florida
- Army Medical Services Corps

### Challenges

- time required by the advisor
- funding for tournament travel
- student recruitment

