Informational packets lined the lobby, decorated with streamers, banners and balloons, at the Newark campus on Tuesday.

Students circulated, stopping by the tables to ask questions and pick up brochures.

Colleges and universities across the United States come to Transfer Day every year, providing Ohlone students with information about academic programs, admission requirements, and student life on their campuses.

Student Nicole Colton said she was satisfied with the event because she found all the information she needed.

Elisa Castro, Transfer Day coordinator, said she thought the event had met students’ expectations, given the high turnout. She also pointed out that 49 colleges and universities participated, instead of the expected 45.

As the event was winding down at noon, one student mentioned that she wished there were more events like it.

To schedule clinic appointments in La Garzas de Pacora, a rural area with no running water or sanitation, the nursing students went door-to-door in the community to tell families about the opportunity. They treated 100 patients in just four days.

The nursing students also visited Panama’s premier children’s hospital, Hospital del Niño, where they were able to see what working in a hospital is like up close and personal.

The trip also gave them a chance to perfect practical skills such as suturing and making incisions.

Nursing students also received a warm welcome at La Universidad de Panamá, where they met fellow nursing students and administrators and took part in a skills lab.

As part of the service-learning trip, the students collected health care supplies to donate to local Panamanian clinics.

Throughout the trip, the students learned about and participated in different cultural activities.

To view more photos from the trip, visit the group’s Facebook page. Search “Ohlone RN Students to Panama” and like the page.