

ILLINOIS *HOSA* 32nd ANNUAL STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Please read your packet carefully. There are changes this year in some areas.

Theme: “Stars Shining Bright: HOSA Hearts Unite (Illinois Theme)
2011-12 National Theme: HOSA: It’s In Our Hearts to Keep yours Beating.”

Date: March 14-16, 2012

Location: Decatur Conference Center Hotel, Decatur, Illinois

Registration Fee: \$75.00 per person (students, advisors, and adults)
Registration includes Breakfast, Banquet, and T-Shirt

Hotel Room Cost: \$86.00 + 12% tax for 1, 2, 3, or 4 person occupancy – 4 max.

Deadlines: Registration: February 1, 2012 **NO LATE REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED.**

Early Registration: January 15, 2012

Candidate Nomination: February 1, 2012

Scholarship: February 15, 2012

Elected HOSA Positions: February 15, 2012

Hotel: March 1, 2012

Competitive Events:

National theme: use for:

- Extemporaneous Health Display
- Extemporaneous Speaking
- Extemporaneous Writing
- Prepared Speaking
- Speaking Skills:

Biomedical Debate	2011-12 topic is: “Social Media—Is it good or bad for your health?” Round #1 – written exam
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Medical Reading books: (5):

- *Breakthrough* by Jon Queijo
- *The Blue Death* by Robert T. Morris
- *The Checklist Manifesto* by Atul Gawande
- *Every Patient Tells a Story* by Lisa Sanders

Two alternate books have been selected. Teams will be asked which of the alternate books they wish to be questioned on during Round Two. Round Two will consist of 4 questions from each of the four books listed above, and four questions from one alternate book of the team’s choosing.

The alternate books are:

- *Diagnoses from the Dead* by Richard Prayson
- *Body of Work* by Christine Montross

Researched Persuasive Speaking Topics are:

This year's topics are:

- Hospitals: Bigger is Better
- Fat Tax: Fighting obesity by raising the price of fatty and unhealthy foods.

Prepared Speaking Speaking Skills	The speech topic is the National Theme: “HOSA: It’s In Our Hearts to Keep yours Beating.”
Public Service Announcement	2011-12 topic is: Clean Out Your Medicine Cabinet
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	2011-12 topic category is: Prepare for the Zombie Apocalypse

Illinois' Theme will be used for the Essay contest.

Executive Council Memento: Each HOSA Conference Attendee will receive a T-shirt. State pins are awarded to the top 3 winners. Additional pins are available, for purchase, to those attending the National Convention.

Please note the additional charge on XX-L T-shirts.

Dress Code: NAME BADGES ARE WORN AT ALL HOSA FUNCTIONS.

1. Welcoming Session – HOSA or Business attire
2. Competitive events - HOSA uniform or dress code as set forth in National guidelines. Knee-length split skirts may be acceptable, but city "shorts" are not acceptable. Penalty points given for inappropriate competitive attire.
3. Awards Banquet - semi-formal or formal. Absolutely NO JEANS, T-shirts, tennis shoes, or other casual attire!
4. Social - HOSA T-shirt required with casual attire; this year delegates are encouraged to wear their HOSA t-shirt.
5. Closing Session - HOSA T-shirt or other appropriate attire. **Exceptions** - HOSA Executive Officers and Officer Candidates **MUST** be in HOSA uniform. Voting Delegates will be in uniform during the voting session held prior to the closing session.

VOTING DELEGATES: Voting delegates are appointed by local HOSA club membership, according to number of members in the chapter:

1-15 students 1 voting delegate
16-115 students. 2 voting delegates
116-300 students. 3 voting delegates

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Voting delegates should be informed of their responsibilities prior to the conference, so that they can represent their chapter in a responsible manner. **Responsibilities include official HOSA attire.**
2. Voting delegates should wear their delegate ribbons at all times.
3. Voting delegates must always be seated by the assigned times and in designated locations.
4. Voting delegates not seated at the designated time for roll call will forfeit their votes.
5. All HOSA voting delegates must vote at the same time.
6. Voting delegates must remember that they are representing their chapter membership and should get as much input from them as possible and keep their fellow members informed.
7. Voting delegates must attend all VOTING DELEGATE meetings as scheduled during the conference.

Voting & Alternate Delegates are coded on the Name & Event Registration Form: Voting = DE; Alternate = AL

Conduct Code: Each Chapter must have on file, with the Conference Manager, a copy of the Home School Rules covering off campus activities and a signed statement for each person attending the conference, adults/advisors included.

- Only the Advisor's form needs to have the Administrator's name and signature.

Competitive Guidelines: State Competitive Events are run according to the latest guidelines. It is your responsibility to see that your competitors have this information and are prepared for the skill competitions.

- Some contests may be cancelled due to inadequate registration.
- Job Seeking: Electronic submission. Bring copies of resume and cover letter to competition.
- HOSA Bowl: after written round, top 8 teams advance.
- Check the HOSA website for additional competition updates on National HOSA's web site www.hosa.org
- Advisors are reminded that all inquiries about competitions should be directed to headquarters and should follow National HOSA guidelines, including use of the Competitive Event Inquiry Form which may be found in the HOSA Handbook, Section B.

Special Needs Contestants: Competitive events, so noted on the category pages, are for special needs students only. To compete, the student must have on file, with the Conference Manager, the Student Eligibility Form. These forms are included as the last page of the contest rating sheets. **Please return a copy of this form with your registration.**

Meal RSVP: Guests (parents, Administrators, etc.) are welcomed to attend the meal functions. Please reserve the meal by submitting the appropriate dollar amount, found on the Chapter Registration Form. Parents of State Officers and all School Administrators will be introduced at the Banquet. Submit the introduction information on the Guest Information Form. Please identify vegetarian meals.

National HOSA Conference: June, 2012, Orlando Florida

National will only allow students to compete in one event in Categories I - IV. Should your student win top honors in more than one event, they must pick one category for National competition.