



To: Potential Judges

Subject: Louisiana HOSA 2024 State Leadership Conference – Judge Information

What is HOSA-Future Health Professionals?

HOSA-Future Health Professionals is a student organization for students in middle school, high school, and college who plan to pursue a career in health care. This organization provides students with the ability to develop their knowledge and skills through competitive events and networking with professionals in the health care community.

HOSA provides health care professionals with an opportunity to tap into Health Science classrooms to reach tomorrow's best and brightest potential health care workers.

In 2024, the Louisiana HOSA State Leadership Conference will bring nearly 500 of these young people from all over Louisiana to Baton Rouge, LA on March 18-19, 2024.

Judges needed!

We are actively recruiting professionals to serve as judges for LA HOSA State Competitive Events. The events are designed to motivate HOSA members to study, work hard, and achieve a high standard of excellence in a variety of leadership and skill disciplines. Judges are needed to evaluate student performance. The competition dates are Monday, March 18 and possibly Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

If you would like more information regarding HOSA-Future Health Professionals or the upcoming State Leadership Conference, you can find complete information online at www.lahosa.org or www.hosa.org.

How much time would judging require?

The orientation is approximately 15-20 minutes in a Zoom meeting a couple of weeks before. Upon arrival, a short review of materials and reminders of what to do. The competitive event lasts 1-3 hours, and a debrief is about 10 minutes. Estimated total time is 2-4 hours.

Why am I qualified to judge?

All judge information is provided via email to the judges before the competition and again when you arrive, as well as scoring guidelines. Due to the variety of events, adult

professionals with a variety of skills and experiences are needed to serve as event judges.

Exactly where is it located?

All events will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel & Executive Center, 4728 Constitution Av., Baton Rouge, LA 70808, in the convention center.

We will provide precise directions with local telephone contacts in our judge information packets. You will receive confirmation via email as well as an orientation a few weeks before the event from Louisiana HOSA when you agree to serve as a judge.

How do I sign up?

Review the event listing below and decide which event you would feel comfortable judging. Next, list your choices on the attached Judge Sign-Up Form. We will try to assign you one of the events you have selected; however, we may need to have you judge a different event as we need to cover all the events. Thank you for understanding.

Once we receive your form, we will follow up with your specific assignment. **Please respond by February 15, 2024.** If you have any questions, please contact us.

To Register as a Judge: https://forms.gle/o51idj9SKyY9jUUc6

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Competitive Events Program

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Health Professions

Biotechnology: Provides members the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills required for a laboratory setting using biotechnology and inspire members to learn more about biotechnology careers.

Clinical Laboratory Science: Clinical Laboratory Science provides members with the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills required for a traditional laboratory setting.

Nursing Assisting: Students perform skills in nursing assisting that may include handwashing, making an occupied/unoccupied bed, changing patients, and more. Judges should be a nurse, advanced nursing student or a CNA.



Sports Medicine: Students perform skills in Sports Medicine such as assessing ROM and Strength of Shoulder, Ankle, or Foot; Taping Ankle, Arch, or Elbow. Judges should be a Certified Sports Medicine Trainer or experience in Sports Medicine or Physical Therapy.

Medical Assisting: Students demonstrate knowledge and skills as a medical assistant such as, telephone screening, record patient health history, assist with physical exam, and more.

Clinical Specialty: Students gain knowledge and skills about a health career of their choosing. This event consists of development of a career portfolio, a video demonstration of a selected skill common to the chosen health career, and a live presentation to the judges. This event aims to inspire members to learn more about a health-related career and become skilled future health professionals.

Veterinary Science: Students develop and demonstrate knowledge and skills in veterinary care. Judge should be a vet, vet student, or vet tech.

Family Medicine Physician: Students gain knowledge about this career path through interviews, research, and a peer presentation. Competitors will conduct interviews to learn more about family medicine, and then share their findings with their peers through a presentation. Competitors will present their presentation to judges, highlighting what they have learned. This event aims to inspire members to learn about the dynamic field of Family Medicine.

Respiratory Therapy: *New!* Judges will first hear a presentation from an interview and research, about Respiratory Therapy. Top scoring competitors will advance to Round Two for the clinical skill assessment.

Phlebotomy: *New!* Students gain knowledge and skills required in phlebotomy.

Teamwork Events

Forensic Science: Teams will be given a case study or written scenario and asked to identify the time of death, immediate cause of death, manner of death and record their remarks (pertinent observations) about the case that explains why they came to the conclusions they reached.



Health Career Display: Professionals judge a display and oral presentation related to a health career from a pair of competitors.

Creative Problem Solving: Teams will be given a potential problem related to HOSA, the health community, or a specific health issue and have 30 minutes to analyze the

problem. Teams will present their solution to a panel of judges. This event aims to inspire members to be proactive future health professionals and utilize higher order thinking to solve complex challenges.

Health Education: Students have the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills required to select a health related concept or instructional objective, then prepare a lesson for a targeted group of learners, provide instruction, and evaluate results. This event consists of a portfolio and presentation to judges.

Public Service Announcement: Judges will evaluate a PSA that brings awareness to a healthcare situation, or educates the public at large in regard to health and well-being.

2023 - 2024 Topic: Fentanyl Will Kill You

Health Science Events

Medical Spelling: Top competitors will compete in a "Spell-Down" of health related terms in front of judges. This event aims to inspire members to become skilled in the spelling of medical terms.

Leadership Events

Prepared Speaking: Provides HOSA members with the opportunity to improve knowledge and skills surrounding effective oral communication. This competitive event requires competitors to develop a speech related to a selected national topic.

2023 - 2024 Topic: Dare To Create!

Health Career Photography: Judges rate three digital photographs and which competitors have taken that illustrate three different careers in a health profession. This event aims to inspire members to use photography as a means to explore health careers.

Job Seeking Skills: This competitive event requires competitors to prepare a personal statement, resume, and digital profile and then participate in a mock job interview with judges. This event aims to inspire members to learn more about applying and interviewing for health-related positions and experiences.

Research Poster: HOSA members have the opportunity to think critically about a health-related issue in their community; pose a research question surrounding the chosen topic; and conduct research on that topic. Competitors develop a Research Poster showcasing their findings and present their research to judges.

Extemporaneous Writing – Health Policy: Competitors will write a letter to an assigned health policy maker in support or opposition of a given secret topic. This event aims gain knowledge and skills required for writing an effective letter to a policy maker.

Emergency Preparedness

CPR/ First Aid or EMT: Provides members with the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills required for team first aid and basic life support. Judges need to be American Health Association certified CPR card holders and have first aid certification. EMTs and Paramedics or RNs with emergency training make excellent judges.

Public Health: The event consists of two rounds. In the initial round the team has the opportunity to convince a panel of judges of the need to view their entire presentation. The highest scoring teams will advance to Round Two where a panel of judges will view the entire presentation.

2022 - 2023 Topic: Heart Healthy for Life: What You Need to Know Now

Middle School Event

Health Career Preparation: Provides Middle School members with the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills required for interviews in a health career. This event shall consist of a written statement of interest and an interview. This event aims to inspire members to be proactive future health professionals and gain confidence in speaking about why healthcare is the right career fit for them.

Thank you for considering being a judge for Louisiana HOSA-Future Health Professionals!