Welcome back!

Team 14 would like to welcome all of you back and hope you had a great summer. As we kick off the new school year, we are excited for the great things we have planned!

Hi, Everyone!

I hope you are all well after the recent events of Hurricane Ida and your areas get back on track soon if they were affected. This year is going to be great, and I am so excited to serve as your president. We are currently planning this year's Fall Forum Leadership Conference, and I can already tell it is going to be amazing. I can not wait to see all of the wonderful things that the members of Louisiana HOSA do this year!

-Catherine Blondiau, State President
While we had planned this year's Fall Forum Leadership Conference to be in person, it just does not seem like the best option for the majority of our chapters right now. Between Hurricane Ida and the recent spike in Covid-19 cases, we have decided to make our conference completely virtual.

The conference will be on evenings of October 27th and 28th via Zoom. Evenings, after school hours, will ensure both students and teachers will be available. More specific times and information will be sent out soon and posted on our website at www.lahosa.org

You won't want to miss it! We will have a variety of informative workshops and speakers.

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**Meet Isabella**

Isabella Richoux is a current senior at Belle Chasse High School!

**What is your favorite thing you have ever done in HOSA?**

"I would have to say either the Fall Forum or making wigs for kids with cancer. I loved meeting new people at the Fall Forum and I am so excited for this year's! Making wigs for the kids with cancer was so rewarding."

**How do you think HOSA will help you achieve your goals in the future?**

"HOSA has laid the groundwork for my future in health sciences as a pediatrician. It has given me not only the medical skills, but also leadership and social skills I need to achieve my goals."

**Why did you join HOSA?**

"I have always known I wanted to go into the medical field; however, I did not know exactly what I wanted to be. HOSA gave me the opportunity to explore the healthcare field, and I learned that I want to become a pediatrician."

**What is your favorite spare time activity?**

"Pageants are my favorite spare time activity because I have learned so much about myself, gained confidence, and have made so many new friends. I am the reigning 2021 Teen Louisiana Crawfish Queen and I have gained so many lessons from this experience."
Facts about a career in Dental Hygiene:
Education needed: Associate's degree
Salary: $57,000 to $96,000
Daily duties: Remove plaque and polish patient's teeth, screen patients, teach patients about proper brushing and flossing techniques, and assist the dentist when needed.

Upcoming Events:
Fall Forum Leadership Conference
October 27-28 via Zoom

Anatomage Tournament
Secondary: November 9-10
Post-Secondary: November 11-12
*Click on your division to access the flyer*

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