

# 2021 Virtual Texas State Conference Forensic Science

## **TIMELINE**

March 3: 2021 Virtual Texas State Conference Registration Deadline

**March 4:** Testing Login Credentials emailed to advisors for distribution to students

**March 8:** Online Test/Case Study Conclusion (8:00 am to 5:00 pm CST)

March 17: Conference Registration fees due

March 24: Opening Session

**March 26:** Virtual Grand Awards Session (see full schedule for the time)

### **GUIDELINE MODIFICATIONS: View rubric HERE**

- Forensic Science, rounds one and two, will be done as part of the online testing platform in one combined test.
- The 50 multiple choice questions will be the first part of the test.
- Next competitors will view written information about the round two case study. This may include an autopsy report, police report, and other supporting evidence for the case study. Competitors will read the case study information on the screen. There will be five open ended text boxes that align to the original event guidelines, where competitors will type their responses to: 1) Time of Death Range; 2: Immediate Cause of Death; 3) Manner of Death; 4) Other Conditions Contributing to Immediate Cause of Death; and 5) Evidence to Support Opinion.
- Even though this is a team event, this year's competitors must test individually and answer the case study questions individually.
- Competitors can take the test (both the multiple-choice questions & case study response) in the online testing system anytime in the 9-hour window listed above. However, both team members must login to start testing within 60 minutes of each other. Tests will be time stamped & HOSA will monitor to ensure team members comply.
- Per the original event guidelines, 60 minutes are given for the multiple-choice test and 36 minutes are given for the case study when in written format. Competitors will have 96 total minutes to complete both portions of the online test this year. The testing system will automatically countdown time remaining.





#### **TECHNOLOGY NEEDS**

- Tests can be taken on a smartphone, tablet, or computer.
- Go to **testing.hosa.org** to access the testing system. Login credentials will be emailed to the local chapter advisor for distribution to the students by March 4.
- Please click <u>HERE</u> for online testing instructions...
- If you have any issues logging in, accessing online testing, or if you did not receive your password and login information via email by March 4, please call the CE Helpline
  1-877-728-0150 or email <a href="mailto:texashosa@texashosa.org">texashosa@texashosa.org</a> immediately.

#### **SECURITY & ETHICS**

 All competitors are required to review the 2021 Virtual Texas HOSA State Conference Security and Ethical Statement found HERE.

#### **DRESS CODE**

 As Future Health Professionals, HOSA members should present themselves in a professional manner for all recorded video presentations and/or live events as part of the 2021 Virtual Texas HOSA State Conference; however, dress code bonus points will not be awarded this year.