

Health Education

Middle School

Competitor Orientation



IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COMPETITOR TO KNOW AND FOLLOW THE EVENT GUIDELINES AND [TEXAS HOSA GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS](#).

FOR COMPLETE GUIDELINES, REFER TO WWW.HOSA.ORG

FOR THE TEXAS HOSA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, THE COMPETITORS/TEAMS WILL PROVIDE

- [Photo ID](#)
- Portfolio uploaded as a single pdf file using this [Wufoo link](#) by ONE team member by the Texas HOSA State Leadership Conference registration deadline.
- Notes on index cards or in electronic format for use during the presentation (optional)
- Two (2) stapled, hard copies of the portfolio for judges to review. **The copies should NOT be in a folder or binder.**

COMPETITOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Competitor/Teams should arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to the appointment time.
- Competitors must provide any items listed in the “Competitors Must Provide” box found above.
 - **Failure to upload by the stated deadline will result in a 35-point deduction from the final score.** Points will be deducted in Tabulations.
- Competitors must provide two hard copies, stapled, of the portfolio for the judges to review. **NOTE: THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THE PORTFOLIO DIGITAL UPLOAD TO WUFOO.**
 - If a team fails to bring the copies, the judges will not be able to judge the portfolio. Teams will still be allowed to compete but will not receive the points related to the portfolio judging.

NOTE TO COMPETITORS WHO QUALIFY FOR THE INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:

- You are required to **re-upload** materials to Wufoo link given by International HOSA by the May 15 deadline.

APPOINTMENT TIMES

- **There will be no holding room for this event.** An appointment time will be assigned to each team and will be posted on the Conference App.

EVENT PROCESS-REFER TO THE HEALTH EDUCATION ILC EVENT GUIDELINES AT WWW.HOSA.ORG

- **DIFFERENCE IN EVENT PROCESS IN TEXAS FROM THE ILC EVENT GUIDELINES**
 - The uploaded portfolio will not be pre-judged in Texas as they are at the ILC. However, it still must be uploaded by the stated deadline above. Failure to do so will result in a 35-point deduction. Texas HOSA **STRONGLY** suggests that teams not wait until the last minute to upload online to avoid user-challenges with the system because there will be **NO EXCEPTIONS**.
 - The team must bring two (2) copies of the portfolio contents to the conference for judges to review. These copies should NOT be in a folder or binder.

TEXAS HOSA ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

- While competitors can have their cell phones, smart watches, etc. with them, they must be in the off position and stored with their personal items. The competitor may not touch the devices at any time during the event. There will be consequences for doing so. Be sure to turn off your devices and put them away before entering the room. **EXCEPTION: use of cell phone for electronic note cards.**