



AREA 7
SPRING LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE INFORMATION
February 14, 2020-February 15, 2020

- Conference Site:** South Texas ISD Health Professions
700 Med High Drive
Mercedes, TX 78570
- Conference Fees:** **Conference Registration Fees will be collected at On Site Check-in. No PO's or cash will be accepted. Checks payable to HOSA, TA.**
- Advisors & Chaperones: \$30.00
Students: \$30.00
- Registration Deadline:** January 29, 2020
- Tallo Upload Deadline:** January 29, 2020 is the deadline for any event requiring a Tallo upload. Click [here](#) to see events
- Conference Registration Link:** <http://www.registermychapter.com/hosa/tx/ac/>
- Officer Candidate Interviews:** McAllen Convention Center
Boardroom
February 14, 2020 @ 8:00 am

**All officer applications & forms must be uploaded to Tallo on or before the Conference
Registration Deadline
www.tallo.com/hosa
All officer candidates must be registered for the conference.**

- Scholarships:** Scholarships will be offered at the State Conference only.
- Special Needs Events:** All students competing in Personal Care, Life Support Skills, Speaking Skills, and Interviewing Skills must have an Eligibility Form which can be found in the guidelines of each special needs event. **Interviewing Skills also requires an upload of a cover letter and resume.**

Student Eligibility Forms (not IEPs) must be uploaded to Tallo on or before the Conference Registration Deadline.

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The need for any special accommodations should be emailed to janet.villarreal@texashosa.org

On-Site Check-in: McAllen Convention Center
February 14, 2020
12:00 - 1:30 pm

Have these forms completed before arriving at On-Site Check-in:

- [Check Information Form](#)
- [Medical Liability Verification Form](#)
- [*No Show/Substitution Form](#)
- [*Advisor/Chaperone Code of Conduct Form and Medical Liability Form](#)

*To use as a fillable form, click on link, download pdf to your computer. Then complete the form and print.

[So. Texas ISD Health Professions Parking Map](#)

Opening Session: McAllen Convention Center
700 Convention Center Blvd.
February 14, 2020 @ 1:45 pm

Dress Code Options for Area 7 Spring Leadership Conference Opening Session have changed

- HOSA uniform or,
- Professional business attire

HOSA Spirit Shirts will no longer be allowed.

Business Session: McAllen Convention Center
700 Convention Center Blvd.
February 14, 2020 @ 3:15 pm

Closing Session: McAllen Convention Center
700 Convention Center Blvd.
February 15, 2020 @ 2:00 pm

Social: Karaoke Lounge
7:00-9:00 pm in Science Academy Gym

All delegates must be housed in approved conference housing to be eligible for competition.

It is HIGHLY recommended that no swimming is allowed without a life guard present.

Conference Hotel: Embassy Suites by Hilton McAllen Convention Center
800 Convention Center Blvd.
McAllen, TX 78501

Hotel Reservation Deadline: January 30, 2020

[Hotel Details](#)

Schools are exempt from the 6% state tax if a tax exempt form is submitted by check-in. Rooming lists should be submitted to the hotel using the [Texas HOSA Rooming Form](#).

Contact Information:

Conference Chair:	Jennifer Mahoney	jennifer.mahoney@stisd.net
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[Area 7 Tentative Schedule](#)

Student Meal: Student meal will be provided on Friday.

Student Concessions: Snack/Drink items will be available for purchase on Friday from 4:30-9:00 pm and on Saturday morning.

[Area Conference Updates](#)

Please read the Conference FAQ's below. Answers to many of your general questions can be found there.



CONFERENCE FAQ'S

- 1) [Can I change my registration before the conference?](#)
- 2) [If a student is registered and can't attend the conference, can I substitute another student in his/her place?](#)
- 3) [What do I need for On-site Check-in?](#)
- 4) [What is my Texas Chapter Number?](#)
- 5) [How many Voting Delegates can each chapter register?](#)
- 6) [How many Courtesy Corps members can each chapter register?](#)
- 7) [Can an advisor be registered as a chaperone?](#)
- 8) [What documentation is needed for students competing in special needs events?](#)
- 9) [What if my chapter\(s\) is unable to stay for the Awards Session?](#)
- 10) [What is the chaperone/student ratio?](#)
- 11) [Is there a Lost & Found at the conference?](#)
- 12) [When and where can Posters, Notebooks, Portfolios and Projects be retrieved?](#)
- 13) [When should students wear conference nametags?](#)
- 14) [What should students bring to event check-in?](#)
- 15) [What is the dress code for the General Sessions at Area Spring Leadership Conferences?](#)
- 16) [What is the dress code for the General Sessions at the State Spring Leadership Conferences?](#)
- 17) [What is the dress code for the Competitive Events?](#)
- 18) [What is the dress codes for HOSA activities other than General Sessions and/or Competitive Events?](#)
- 19) [What is AVACC and how do I use it?](#)
- 20) [What is Tallo and how do I upload to it?](#)