

# Public Service Announcement 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](http://WWW.HOSA.ORG)

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

- [Photo ID](#)
- **ONE team member** uploads the PSA link, Airdate form, Copyright form, and Reference pages to the **HOSA Digital Upload System** before the area spring leadership conference deadline.
- Detailed instructions for uploading materials can be found at: <https://hosa.org/competitive-event-digital-uploads/>
- **Link to the PSA 30 second video**
  - Items #14A-C will be uploaded as one combined pdf file. The link to the PSA will be uploaded as a separate hyperlink.
- Detailed instructions for uploading materials can be found at: <https://hosa.org/competitive-event-digital-uploads/>
- Electronic device on battery power for showing the PSA.
- **A copy of the PSA should be loaded on the electronic device** for viewing by the judges at the beginning of the presentation.

## COMPETITOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Competitors will report to the event room no more than 15 minutes before their appointment time.
- Competitors must provide any items listed in the “Competitors Must Provide” list found above.
- **One member of the team must upload the required materials to HOSA Digital Upload System.** Detailed instructions for uploading materials can be found at: <https://hosa.org/competitive-event-digital-uploads/> and must be uploaded **before the area spring leadership conference registration deadline.**
  - **Ensure all links are set to PUBLIC permissions so judges can view them.**
    - The digital materials uploaded by the area spring leadership conference deadline will be **PRE-JUDGED**. Competitors who do not upload materials by the above deadline will still be allowed to compete in the presentation portion of the event but **will not receive the points for the pre-judged portion.**
  - **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO MISSING THE UPLOAD DEADLINE.**
    - Texas HOSA **STRONGLY** suggests not waiting until the last minute to upload online to avoid user-challenges with the system. **IF THE MATERIALS ARE NOT IN HOSA Digital Upload System before area spring leadership conference registration deadline, THEY WILL NOT BE JUDGED.**
- Teams will bring their own laptop computer, tablet, or portable DVD player operating on battery power for showing the PSA. The PSA should be clearly visible to judges sitting up to 5 feet away from the screen. (HOSA will NOT provide a TV, DVD player, electrical power, wi-fi, AV, screen, or any connecting cables.) Teams need to bring their own copy of the PSA, loaded on their computer, in addition to uploading it to the HOSA Digital Upload System.
- Teams will be ready with their PSA at their appointed time.

- Team members will operate the equipment they brought to show the PSA to judges. Judges will watch the PSA, along with the team members. Important note: the PSA uploaded to the HOSA Digital Upload System is the version that will be SCORED during pre-judging. The PSA shown by the team to judges at ILC is only used to help give judges context for the team's presentation. Teams should not change their PSA between the area spring conference deadline and date of area competition. See the rating sheet for details of what items are scored in prejudging vs. the presentation.

**NOTE TO COMPETITORS WHO QUALIFY FOR THE TEXAS HOSA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:**

- You are required to **re-upload** materials to the **MUST** be uploaded by **ONE** member of the team to the HOSA Digital Upload System by the published STATE leadership conference deadline.

**EVENT PROCESS – REFER TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT ILC EVENT GUIDELINES AT [WWW.HOSA.ORG](http://WWW.HOSA.ORG)**

**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.**