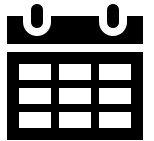




2021 Virtual Texas State Conference Researched Persuasive Writing & Speaking

TIMELINE

- March 3:** 2021 Virtual Texas State Conference Registration Deadline
Tallo upload deadline for this event by 11:59 pm CST (research paper, link to video presentation)
- March 17:** Conference Registration fees due
- March 24:** Virtual Opening Session (see full schedule for the time)
- March 26:** Virtual Grand Awards Session (see full schedule for the time)



GUIDELINE MODIFICATIONS: View rubric [HERE](#)

- All competitors will record a video of their speech for judges (the one they normally would give in person)
 - Very specific directions for the Recorded Video Presentations have been created. Read this information in detail [HERE!](#)
- Competitors will submit: 1) Link to speech video; 2) Research Paper.
- **The completed paper must be uploaded as a single document, pdf preferred**, by the competitor to the Researched Persuasive Writing & Speaking event opportunity on Tallo – following the instructions outlined on the [HOSA/Tallo Instruction Page](#). These uploaded materials will be sent to the judges on behalf of the competitor.
- Uploads must be complete by March 3. The uploaded materials are what the judges will use to score competitors.
- If you do not upload your materials, there is no content to be judged, therefore no score will be given. Judges will receive materials on March 3, so if you miss the March 3 upload deadline, your material will not be sent to the judges.
- **Pro Tip #1: Practice uploading your links to Tallo prior to the March 3 deadline.** You can upload materials to the event opportunity in Tallo, and then delete/edit/re-upload materials up until the March 3 deadline.
- **Pro Tip #2: Do not wait until the last day to upload.** Try to upload your materials before the deadline. If something goes wrong, you have time to troubleshoot!



- **Pro Tip #3: Be sure your pdf file opens and your video link works!** If judges cannot open the file or access the video, they cannot be evaluated. Also, judges should not have to get permission to access your materials.

TECHNOLOGY NEEDS

- Competitors will need to upload their materials to Tallo – a smartphone, tablet, or computer are needed to upload.
- If you have any issues uploading, please email Texas HOSA, well **before** the March 3 deadline at texashosa@texashosa.org.



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.