



Texas HOSA Handbook:

Section I: State Recognition

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Activities and procedures within HOSA-Future Health Professionals, Texas Association are governed by the philosophy of simple fairness to all. Therefore, the policy of HOSA-Future Health Professionals, Texas Association is that all operations will be performed without regard to race, religion, sex, national origin, and other characteristics illegal as well as reasonable accommodations with disabilities and accessibility requirements on public accommodations.

MEDICAL ART POSTER EVENT

PURPOSE:

To encourage students to develop a poster that will stimulate others to explore health care and to communicate this interpretation through the development of a creative, artistic, and informational poster.

1. Competitors in this event must be active members of HOSA in good standing in the membership division in which they are registered to compete (Middle School, secondary).
2. The Secondary Division will compete at area and state leadership conferences.
3. The Middle School Division will compete at state conference.
4. By entering this event, the competitor and subject(s) grant permission for his/her poster to be used on the HOSA website and in HOSA publications.
5. Students entering this event may also event another competitive event.
6. The poster may be turned in by anyone from the chapter at the listed time on the schedule but **MUST** be turned in manually and not uploaded digitally for judges to view.
7. Posters must be picked up from CE Headquarters before the Area General Awards ceremony.

RULES:

Eligibility:

Each chapter may submit a maximum of **(four)** posters.

Awards:

Secondary Area poster winners will receive first, second, and third place medals. Area winning posters are to be re-submitted and judged at state conference. Middle School will submit posters at state conference. Middle School poster winners will receive first, second and third place medals.

Theme:

HOSA: The Next Era of Healthcare

Materials:

Competitors will have a choice of materials to use on the poster, including pen and ink, markers, pencils, crayons, chalk, watercolors, and oil paints. The following materials **may not** be used: glitter, pipe cleaners, or photographs. Posters **MUST** be FLAT.

Competitors may not use the artistic composition known as a collage or make the

posters three dimensional.

The posters MAY be laminated but may not be mounted in a border or frame. There should be no pasting of any kind, including stick on letters, borders, construction paper, or any other item that rises above the poster board

Posters using these materials or artistic forms will be disqualified.

Winning posters may be reproduced as billboards, pamphlet covers, decals, etc.; therefore, lines should be clear and clean, the design simple and uncluttered. Posters should focus on the theme and be quick and easy to understand.

The theme must be on poster.

NOTE:

Characters and trademarks that have been copyrighted may not be used on the posters. For example, the use of Disney characters or the HOSA emblem would make the poster ineligible for competition.

Poster size:

Standard poster board (no foam board) measuring 22" x 28" is required.

Posters using other sized boards will be disqualified.

Labeling:

Each poster must be clearly labeled on the back of the poster as follows:

STUDENT MEMBER NAME
ADVISOR NAME
SCHOOL NAME
HOSA CHAPTER NUMBER
SCHOOL ADDRESS (INCLUDE CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)
DIVISION (MIDDLE SCHOOL OR SECONDARY)

TEXAS HOSA - MEDICAL ART POSTER EVENT

JUDGE'S RATING SHEET - ANTI-TIE FORMAT

HOSA: The Next Era of Healthcare

Competitor No. _____

Division _____

Judge _____

Date _____

Eligibility / Disqualification Check

Approved materials only: Yes ☐ No ☐ Correct 22" x 28" flat poster board: Yes ☐ No ☐ Theme present: Yes ☐ No ☐

If a required rule results in disqualification under the event guidelines, stop scoring and mark the poster DISQUALIFIED.

Scoring Method

Judges may award ANY whole-number score within each category (not only preset values). Use the descriptors as anchors, then differentiate close entries by the degree to which each standard is met. Do not intentionally force a tie.

CRITERION	WHAT JUDGES SHOULD LOOK FOR	SCORING ANCHORS	SCORE
A. Presentation Relevant to Theme (20 points)	Message is immediately clear, concise, strongly connected to the full theme, and supported by purposeful visual/content choices.	17-20 Excellent 13-16 Strong 9-12 Adequate 5-8 Limited 0-4 Poor	_____ /20
B. Educational Value / Impact (20 points)	Viewers learn something meaningful about health care; information is useful, memorable, accurate in presentation, and creates a clear impact or call to action.	17-20 Excellent 13-16 Strong 9-12 Adequate 5-8 Limited 0-4 Poor	_____ /20
C. Quality of Workmanship (25 points)	Exceptional craftsmanship, artistic skill, effective use of color/shape/spacing/lettering, clean execution, and evidence of time and care.	22-25 Excellent 17-21 Strong 11-16 Adequate 6-10 Limited 0-5 Poor	_____ /25
D. Simple, Uncluttered & Original Design (20 points)	Design is original, professional, easy to understand quickly, visually balanced, and free of unnecessary clutter; details support rather than distract from the message.	17-20 Excellent 13-16 Strong 9-12 Adequate 5-8 Limited 0-4 Poor	_____ /20
E. Value to Promotion of a Health Career (15 points)	Poster could effectively support promotion of health careers and motivate interest or exploration in a health-related field.	13-15 Excellent 10-12 Strong 7-9 Adequate 4-6 Limited 0-3 Poor	_____ /15
F. Theme on Poster (10 points)	The complete required theme is clearly visible, correctly stated, and intentionally integrated into the design rather than merely added as text.	9-10 Excellent 7-8 Strong 5-6 Adequate 3-4 Limited 0-2 Poor	_____ /10
G. Spelling & Grammar (5 points)	Writing is correct, polished, readable, and free of spelling/grammar errors.	5 No errors 4 Minor errors 3 Several minor errors 1-2 Noticeable errors 0 Excessive/no assessable writing	_____ /5
H. Labeling on Back of Poster (5 points)	Required identifying information is complete and legible on the back of the poster.	5 Complete 4 One item incomplete 2-3 Multiple items incomplete 1 Minimal labeling 0 No labeling	_____ /5

TOTAL SCORE: ____ / 120

Required Tie-Break Procedure

1. Highest score in C. Quality of Workmanship.
2. If still tied, highest score in A. Presentation Relevant to Theme.
3. If still tied, highest score in B. Educational Value / Impact.
4. If still tied, highest score in D. Simple, Uncluttered & Original Design.
5. If still tied, judges conduct a side-by-side comparison and award a 1-5 Tie-Break Distinction Score based on overall originality, immediate visual impact, and effectiveness as a reproducible promotional poster. This score is used ONLY to break the tie and is not added to the 120-point total.

Judge Comments - identify the strongest differentiator and one area for improvement:

HOSA, TA STATE RECOGNITION BLOOD DRIVE

Purpose: To encourage Texas HOSA chapters to plan, implement, and conduct blood drives at their school.

Description: Top Texas HOSA Chapters with the highest number of units drawn will be recognized at state conference. This award seeks to recognize chapters who have a commitment to community service through hosting blood drives.

Chapters participating in this event must be active members of HOSA- Future Health Professionals and in good standing in the division in which they are registered (Middle School, Secondary or postsecondary/Collegiate).

All chapters who complete a minimum of 99 units drawn between March 1 of the previous year and March 1 of the current year will be recognized. Chapters that sponsor more than one blood drive may count the TOTAL units drawn during the year. Blood Drives must be held on your campus. Community members may be invited to participate with administrative approval.

Levels of recognition:

Bronze Level: 99-200 units

Silver Level: 201-400 units

Gold Level: 401 + units

- Requirements:**
1. Verification Letter provided by Blood Bank.
 2. Verification postmark deadline: See State Conference memo for deadline. Make sure to include this form and verification letter from blood bank.
 3. Submit your documents to

Texas HOSA
201 W. Hillside Road Suite 26
Laredo, Texas 78041

Or email

texashosa@texashosa.org

4. Advisors: please ensure that you register one student for Blood Drive in the state conference registration system to receive recognition.

School Name _____ Chapter Number _____

Chapter Advisor _____

OUTSTANDING TEXAS HOSA ADVISOR NOMINATION

HOSA will give special recognition to one (1) Secondary HOSA Advisor, one (1) Postsecondary/Collegiate and one (1) Middle School HOSA Advisor representing each state association during the International Leadership Conference. This is a means of recognizing advisors for the time and effort they expend to provide successful HOSA Chapter activities for their members. Please nominate the advisor you feel should represent Texas as our Outstanding HOSA Advisor.

1. The nominee must be a member in good standing with Texas HOSA and currently serving as a local advisor to a nationally affiliated HOSA chapter. The recipient may not have received this award in the previous five years.
 2. Completed nomination will be reviewed by at least two members of the HOSA, TA Board of Directors during the Texas State Leadership Conference. No reviewers may be a candidate for this award. If no nominations are received, the recipient will be selected by the HOSA, TA Board of Directors.
 3. The recipient of this honor will be recognized at the Texas State Leadership Conference and the International Leadership Conference.
 4. Travel expenses will be the responsibility of the recipient.
1. Nomination Summary may be emailed to Janet.villarreal@texashosa.org by the state conference registration deadline.

1. Nominator must include a one-page statement of why they feel this advisor should be recognized. Possible key points to include in the statement could be:
 - How long the nominee has been an advisor
 - Have they been a conference chair for either fall or spring or state?
 - Have they been an advisor for an area or state officer?
 - Have they served on the HOSA, TA Board of Directors?

2. Statements must include Nominator's information and Nominee's information.

Name:
School:
Address:
City:
Zip:
Area:
Division:

3. A separate page must be added with the number of years of service the HOSA advisor has and a list of their accomplishments.

For Texas HOSA Officers

2027 TEXAS HOSA KAREN BATCHELOR'S OUTSTANDING STATE OFFICER SCHOLARSHIP

A Here's How to Apply!

[Application Link](#)

Application Deadline March 1, 2027

Application Process

HOSA will give special recognition to one (1) HOSA **State Officer** representing Texas State Association during the International Leadership conference. This is a means of recognizing a state officer for the time and effort they expend to provide successful Texas HOSA Chapter activities for their members.

The applicant must be a member in good standing with the Health Occupations students of America, Texas Association and currently serving as a Texas State officer and may not have received this award in the previous four years. The recipient of this scholarship must be a graduating high school senior or a post-secondary/collegiate student with one year of studies remaining.

Applicants will be interviewed by at least three members of the HOSA, TA Board of Directors during the Texas State Leadership Conference.

The applicant must be a registered and active member of his/her HOSA chapter.

The applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Applicants must submit a one-page personal statement. The parameters should be as follows: 12-point Times New Roman font, one-inch margins on all sides, double spaced and must include a header with your name, date, and current membership ID number.

Personal Statement Topic:

“In your own words, provide a statement how has HOSA enhanced your desire to be a medical professional.”

Applicants must submit a second page with a list of accomplishments during their tenure as a Texas HOSA State Officer.

All applications must be grammatically correct and complete for acceptance. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Attached files cannot exceed 2.5MB in size.

The recipient of this honor will be recognized at the Texas State Leadership conference and the International Leadership Conference and will receive a Texas scholarship in the amount of \$5000.00

Winner of Karen Batchelor will be named Outstanding HOSA leader for International HOSA Leader representing Texas HOSA.

Travel expenses will be the responsibility of the recipient.

Post Award Information

- The Executive Director will provide instructions in the scholarship letter presented to the student with the scholarship certificate.
- Scholarship Recipients should provide a Scholarship Recipient Form plus an invoice for your tuition fees or your enrollment form to the college or university.
- Upon receipt of this information, Texas HOSA will promptly pay your scholarship amount to the college or university.
- Recipients must be enrolled as a full-time student during the semester to receive this scholarship.
- The school will credit your account with your scholarship amount. This process usually takes at least three weeks from the time all proper documents are received.
- The scholarship shall be used for tuition, books, and fees pertaining to admission.
- Scholarships must be claimed by August of the awarded year of scholarship award.
- Any award monies not claimed will be reapplied to the Texas HOSA scholarship fund reserve.

Karen Batchelor's Outstanding Texas HOSA State Officer

RATING SHEET

FOR REVIEWER TO COMPLETE:

STUDENT'S NAME: _____ DIVISION: _____

Tallo Profile:

Photo Included..... 2 points _____

Current School listed..... 1 point _____

Transcript 1 point _____

GPA 10 points max _____

Average 3.76 – 4.0 10 points Average 3.0-3.24 1 point

Average 3.5 – 3.75 7 points Not converted to 4.0 scale 0 points

Average 3.25 – 3.49 4 points

Career Interest listed..... 1 point _____

Memberships, Extracurricular Activities, and Hobbies

(include Health related community service)..... 15 points _____

Major involvement – 4 or more activities 15 points Minimal involvement – 2 activities 8 points

Moderate involvement – 3 activities 12 points Little involvement – 1 activity

Work Experience and Responsibilities

(include any job shadowing, volunteer work, and leadership positions) ... 15 points _____

Major involvement – 4 or more activities 15 points Minimal involvement – 2 activities 8 points

Moderate involvement – 3 activities 12 points Little involvement – 1 activity

Accomplishments (include honors and recognition in HOSA) 15 points max _____

Major involvement – 4 or more activities 15 points Minimal involvement – 2 activities 8 points

Moderate involvement – 3 activities 12 points Little involvement – 1 activity 4 points

Personal Statement 16 points max _____

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| • Typed and only 1 page .5 point | • Title/header included applicant's .5 point |
| • Double spaced .5 point | name and HOSA Membership ID # |
| • Times New Roman Font .5 point | • Well written personal statement 5 points |
| • 12 Point Font .5 point | free from grammatical errors |
| • One-inch margins .5 point | • Content 8 points |

Interview..... 24 points max _____

Introduction/first impression 8 6 4 2 0

Content of answers 8 6 4 2 0

Confidence, maturity, enthusiasm 8 6 4 2 0

Total Points _____ **(100)**

Karen Batchelor's Outstanding State Officer Interviewers Questions:

Interviewers will ask the following mandatory questions.

1. Tell me of a time that you helped solve a problem for the Texas HOSA state officer team.
2. What advice would you give the incoming Texas HOSA state officer team?

Interviewers will select 3 of the questions below.

1. If you could be an animal what would you be and why?
2. What is your most memorable moment while being a Texas HOSA state officer?
3. What are you passionate about?
4. What was your most memorable community service project?
5. Tell me of a time you have been a servant leader.
6. Where do you see yourself ten years from now?
7. How would your friends/teachers describe you?
8. We have only one Scholarship to offer. Why should you receive this scholarship instead of somebody else?
9. Who is your role model and why?