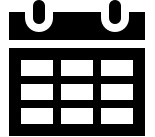




2021 Virtual Texas State Conference Speaking Skills

TIMELINE

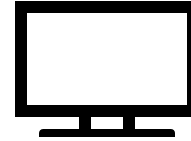
- March 3:** 2021 Virtual Texas State Conference Registration Deadline
Tallo upload deadline for this event by 11:59 pm CST (link to speech video)
- March 17:** Conference Registration fees due
- March 24:** Virtual Opening Session (see full schedule for the time)
- March 26:** Virtual Grand Awards Session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



GUIDELINE MODIFICATIONS: View rubric [HERE](#)

- 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) eligibility form from the event guidelines as a pdf, 2) link to speech video.
- Competitors will upload their speech video to the Speaking Skills event opportunity on Tallo – following the instructions outlined on the [HOSA/Tallo Instructions Page](#)
- Uploads must be complete by March 3. The uploaded video speech is 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 the speech videos on March 3, so if you miss the March 3 upload deadline, your speech will not be sent to 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 access the video, they cannot evaluate it. Also, judges should not have to get permission to access your materials.





TECHNOLOGY NEEDS

- Competitors will need to upload their video of the speech and eligibility form 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.