



To: Potential Judges

Subject: Texas HOSA Judge Information

HOSA is a student organization that provides health care professionals with an opportunity to tap into Health Science classrooms to reach tomorrow's best and brightest potential health care workers. In 2016, the Texas HOSA Area Leadership Conferences will bring nearly 10,000 Texas HOSA members to compete.

We are actively recruiting professionals to serve as judges for our Area and State Competitive Events. The events are designed to motivate HOSA members to study, work hard, and achieve a high standard of excellence in a variety of leadership and skill disciplines. Judges are needed to evaluate student performance..

Are you familiar with HOSA? HOSA is a scholastic student organization that students may initially join in high school if they are enrolled in a health science class or plan to pursue a health career, and may continue to participate in throughout their pre-professional careers in healthcare.

This organization provides students with the ability to develop their knowledge and skills through competitive events and networking with professionals in the health care community. If you would like more information regarding Texas HOSA or the upcoming Area or State Leadership conference you can find complete information online at [www.texashosa.org](http://www.texashosa.org).

**How much time would it require?**

The orientation with a light meal is approximately half an hour – The competitive event lasts 2-3 hours. **Estimated total time between 3 and 4 hours.**

**Why am I qualified to judge?**

All judge information and answers to the competition questions are provided to the judges before the competition, as well as scoring guidelines. Due to the variety of events, adult professionals with a variety of skills and experiences are needed to serve as event judges.

**Am I reimbursed for expenses?**

No, however, Texas HOSA does provide a light meal with your orientation. Also, a certificate of appreciation is given to you. And, don't forget the opportunity to meet with students and professionals. Your participation can help encourage these students to pursue a health care profession.

**Exactly where is it located?**

Area and State events are hosted all across Texas. We will find an event closest to you. You will receive confirmation via e-mail from the Conference Chairperson when you agree to serve as a judge. You will also be provided with a copy of the event guidelines and judge instructions

**How do I sign up?**

Review the event listing and decide which event(s) you would feel comfortable judging. E-mail to the address below, and we will follow up with your specific assignment.

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Please include the following information

Name  
Address  
Email Address  
Company  
Title or Profession  
Event you would like to judge

Judges are needed for the following events:

<b>Medical Spelling</b>	Health care professionals are needed to pronounce complex medical terms and judge the competitors on their accuracy in spelling those terms.
<b>Medical Assisting</b>	Competitors demonstrate knowledge and skills as a Medical Assistant in an Administrative/clerical position.
<b>Biotechnology</b>	Health care professionals are needed to judge as students demonstrate knowledge and skills in medical and health care biotechnology careers.
<b>Clinical Nursing</b>	Health Professionals are needed to judge this event where Competitors demonstrate advanced knowledge and skills as a Clinical Nurse.
<b>Clinical Specialty</b>	Health professionals are needed to judge this event where Competitors select the health career of their choice – then develop Career-related skills, knowledge and work-based experience. Judges evaluate a videotape of a skill or interview the student.
<b>Dental Science</b>	Health Professionals are needed to judge student's knowledge and skills in Dental Science in a Clinical setting.
<b>Home Health Aide</b>	Nursing professions are needed to evaluate two or more of the following skills: tympanic temperature, apical pulse, emptying a urinary drainage unit, dressing and ointment to broken skin, back rub, denture care, pulling a patient up in bed, and applying TED hose.
<b>Nursing Assisting</b>	Competitors demonstrate basic entry-level knowledge and skills as a Nursing Assistant.
<b>Personal Care</b>	Individuals perform patient care skills such as bed making, hand washing, positioning, Transferring, and measuring TPR. <i>Personal Care event is exclusively for students with Special needs.</i>
<b>Physical Therapy</b>	Judges will evaluate the competitor on one or more of the following skills: ambulating with a gait belt, walker, cane or crutches; range of motion, and ice pack application.

<b>Sports Medicine</b>	Certified athletic trainers are needed to judge competitors as they perform procedures common to the career field.
<b>Veterinary Science</b>	Veterinarians or Veterinary Technicians judge Competitors as they perform two or more of the Following procedures: Position and prepare animal for surgery, fecal floatation, restrain for venipuncture, perform, apply gauze muzzle restraint, and identify Parasites.
<b>CPR/First Aid/ Life Support Skills /EMT</b>	Judges for this event must be ARC First Aid Instructors American Heart Association instructors, or EMTs, or Paramedics or RNs with Emergency certification. Life Support Skills event <i>is exclusively for Students with special needs.</i>
<b>CERT</b>	Judges for this event must have knowledge in CERT. Students will demonstrate knowledge and skills they will need to respond to their community's immediate needs in the aftermath of a disaster, when emergency services are not immediately available.
<b>Extemporaneous Health Poster</b>	Judges with art, graphic arts, marketing or similar skills evaluate artistic posters that interpret a health-related topic.
<b>Prepared Speaking/ Speaking Skills</b>	Judges evaluate public speaking skills. <i>Speaking Skills event is exclusively for students with special needs</i>
<b>Healthy Life Style</b>	Judges will evaluate student' documentation on how they improve their lifestyle.
<b>Medical Photography</b>	Judges rate three digital photographs which competitors have taken which illustrate three different careers in health profession.
<b>Researched Persuasive Speaking</b>	Judges evaluate either a written research paper or a persuasive speech as part of this event.
<b>Job Seeking/ Interviewing Skills</b>	Judges rate students who participate in a mock job interview for a healthcare position.
<b>Extemporaneous Writing</b>	Healthcare and English language experts are needed to judge the written essays in this event.
<b>Health Career Display</b>	Healthcare professionals judge a display and oral presentation related to a health career from a pair of competitors.

<b>Community Awareness</b>	Judges evaluate a project carried out by a HOSA chapter to inform their community about a health issue. A team of judges either evaluates a written notebook documenting the chapter's efforts, or an oral presentation by a team of chapter members.
<b>Biomedical Debate</b>	Health professionals are needed to judge either a preliminary round or an actual debate. Teams will debate on an annual topic.
<b>HOSA Bowl</b>	Health professionals are needed to judge team answers to medical terminology and related questions in this "College Bowl" format.
<b>Creative Problem Solving</b>	Competitors are given a real or hypothetical health problem, and must apply the problem solving process to Propose a solution to a panel of Judges.
<b>Health Education</b>	Health Educators or other health professionals judge a videotape of students delivering a health-related lesson, or they interview the students to evaluate the planning, delivery and evaluation of the lesson.
<b>Forensic Medicine</b>	Teams will be given a case study and asked to identify the time of death, immediate cause of death, manner of death and record their remarks (pertinent observations) about the case that explains why they came to the conclusions they reached.
<b>Public Service Announcement / Public Emergency Preparedness/Medical Innovation</b>	Judges will evaluate a PSA that brings awareness to a healthcare situation, or educates the public at large in regard to health and well-being
<b>Outstanding HOSA Chapter</b>	The Outstanding HOSA Chapter event is a scrapbook prepared by HOSA student members describing the chapter's yearly program of activities that are consistent with the purpose of HOSA.
<b>Medical Art Poster</b>	Judges with art, graphic arts, marketing or similar skills evaluate artistic posters that stimulate others to explore a health career.