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AHOY, MATEYS

BY RHEA PITALE,
STATE PRESIDENT

Pumpkin-spice lattes are back in Starbucks, sweaters are making a comeback, and pie recipes are dominating our Instagram pages. What does this mean? Fall is here along with the 2021 Fall Leadership Development Academy!

The tides are changing in Florida HOSA. Students are safely returning to in-person conferences, gaining knowledge and leadership on their voyages. This year, students will be "Sailing into Success" as Pirates of the Pandemic on their journey to leadership. We cannot wait to see which of the Captains' crews you join!

For our new recruits, FLDA is composed of a series of leadership workshops, commanded by your very own State Officers. You will develop skills to use in your chapter, region, and in your everyday life as a leader. These workshops will directly impact you and your team, so be sure to bring home your knowledge! You will also have the opportunity to network with fellow Florida HOSA members, including chapter members, regional officers, and State Officers!

This weekend is going to be valuable in your leadership development, but it's also going to be packed with fun! We are putting a new spin on FLDA with our Battle of the Seven Seas Field Day and Pirate Parlor games. But, don't worry! We will still have our traditional hayride and delicious "s'mores" by the campfire! We can't wait to see you there November 19-21 to embark on your leadership voyage!



STATE OFFICER ARTICLES



PHILANTHRO-PENNY

BY JACKSON BEECHER, STATE PRESIDENT-ELECT

As fall approaches and the Florida weather cools from 98 degrees to 96 degrees, it's time to look ahead to the Penny Wars! For those of you who may not know what I am talking about, allow me to explain. Each year Florida HOSA runs a fundraiser for the HOSA Service Project, which this year is Be The Match, called Penny Wars. Penny Wars is a competition between regions to see who can collect the most pennies to eventually be donated to Be The Match. A 5-gallon water jug is placed outside of the Conference HQ at SLC with each region written on it. For every penny in that region's jar, they earn a point. If someone were to place say a nickel, dime, quarter, or dollar in there, that would be worth -5, -10, -25, and -100 points, respectively. If for example me, from the Treasure Coast Region, wanted to beat our neighbors to the south, Broward, I would place as many silver coins or dollar bills in their jug as possible. The region with the most pennies at the end wins! We have raised up to \$9,000 in years past for the HOSA Service Project with this competition. Hopefully this year we can shatter our expectations and cut Be The Match a large check capable of saving lives. I leave you with a final bit of advice, run Penny Wars at a smaller scale first before attending the SLC. Whether that be at your chapter competing against grade levels or at the regional level competing against other chapters. Take all you earn to SLC and use it to fight for your region. Also, never leave for SLC without a penny or two, you never know how close the competition may get. Florida HOSA, collect that copper! Until then stay safe and I hope to see you all at the FLDA.

SCHOLARSHIP CRUSADES

BY CHINA SIMPO, NORTHERN VICE-PRESIDENT, POSTSECONDARY

Guess what Florida HOSA members—it is officially Fall season! I hope you all are as excited as Team 21 and I are for what we have in store this year. With that being said, first up is the Fall Leadership Development Academy (FLDA) right around the corner. Your State Officers and State Staff have been working very hard in preparation for this conference, in hopes that everyone who attends has a great experience.

A significant aspect of FLDA is fundraising— for our Florida HOSA Foundation Scholarship! Your State Officer Team has come up with several different fundraiser activities you can participate in to help raise money. We are excited to announce that the infamous lollipop tree will be returning as a fundraiser activity. If you're lucky enough to pick the winning lollipop from the tree, you might just be able to win a cool prize! Oh, and did I forget to mention? You have the opportunity to pie a State Officer in the face as another fundraiser activity! Last, but not least, your State Officers have come up with an Oh So Stylish long-sleeved t-shirt design that can be purchased for just \$18 each! These t-shirts were made available for pre-order during online-registration; but there will also be a few available to purchase at FLDA— on a first come, first served basis while supplies last.

Welp, that's all for now, Florida HOSA! Your State Officers look forward to seeing you at FLDA!



*"If you think you are too small to make a difference,
try sleeping with a mosquito."*

~ Dalai Lama

STATE OFFICER ARTICLES

CE PREP

BY ANYA PATIDAR,
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SECONDARY

Hello again, Florida HOSA members and advisors! As the competitive season begins to draw closer, it is time to begin preparing for competition. The first step is choosing an event. There are many categories of events to choose from: Health Science events,

Health Professions events, Emergency Preparedness events, Leadership events, Teamwork events, Recognition events, and a group of events dedicated solely for Middle School.

With so many options, it can be difficult to choose; luckily, HOSA has provided a flow chart to help determine which event is suitable, located on the hosa.org website, under the "Competition" and "Competitive Event Useful Tools" tabs. The flow chart resource asks questions which help to guide members to an event based on their answers. After selecting an event, read the guidelines carefully in preparation, which are also located on the hosa.org website under the "Competition" and "Guidelines" tabs. The guidelines contain the format of each event (performance, testing, or hybrid), as well as useful resources for studying (textbooks and references). Furthermore, the guidelines provide rules and regulations for each event, such as the number of competitors allowed on a team for Teamwork events. Some frequently asked questions are also located on the hosa.org website, with helpful answers that may come in assistance when preparing for a competitive event.

Then, it is time to study. Get ready and get excited for competition! Hard work in preparing for competition will pay off later. Good luck!

WLA RECAP

BY ELLIOT SANTAELLA,
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SECONDARY

Hi Florida HOSA! Like many of you saw on the @flhosa Instagram, Team 21 had the opportunity to attend this year's Washington Leadership Academy (WLA)! While in DC, we learned valuable leadership skills, all based on our individual strengths. By focusing on further developing what we are already strong at, we learned how to put our strengths together to work even better as a team. At the 15th annual WLA, we also toured the nation's capital, listened to wonderful keynote speakers, & participated in interactive, team building activities. We are so grateful to have met the HOSA International Executive Council and amazing State Officers from across the globe. Thank you, Florida HOSA, for entrusting us to represent you at the conference. We're ready to use what we learned to serve this year!

That being said - have any of you considered representing Florida HOSA as a State Officer next year? For those of you interested, the State Officer Candidate Application will be posted to the Florida HOSA website over the Winter Break in December. You can then download it, complete it, and mail it to our State Office after January 1, 2022 and postmarked on or before February 5, 2022! Once the application is received, please prepare for the State Officer Candidate Exam. Once you meet the score requirement, you will prepare for an interview to be slated for an officer position. You will then be able to introduce yourself to members at a "Meet and Greet". At the Business Session of our State Leadership Conference, slated candidates will be able to present a speech to the voting delegates. To our prospective candidates, best of luck! I know Florida HOSA will continue to be in great hands because of members like you!

"You got the making of greatness in you, but you got to take the helm and chart your own course!"

~ Long John Silver, Treasure Planet



STATE OFFICER ARTICLES

SCHOL-AARRGGHH-SHIPS?

BY AVERY REDLICH, STATE PARLIAMENTARIAN

As the 2021-2022 Florida HOSA year kicks off, here is a reminder that Florida HOSA offers scholarship opportunities for its incredible members. For example, the Florida HOSA Foundation Scholarship from the Florida HOSA Foundation will be awarding one Dr. Etta McCulloch Scholarship and other scholarship(s) to its members. The scholarships are available for any Florida HOSA member who is a senior secondary student/postsecondary student planning to attend a Florida postsecondary institution to enroll in a health science program. The application form for this scholarship is located on the Florida HOSA website under the "Resources/Publications" tab and its sub-tab, "Scholarships". The application must include an official transcript, current grades, proof of membership, three letters of reference, including one from a HOSA Advisor, an activities summary of HOSA involvement, leadership activities, and community involvement, along with a 350-750 word essay describing why the applicant has chosen a health career/their personal and occupational goals. The application form, activities summary, proof of membership, current grades and essay must be postmarked no later than February 15. The remaining materials, specifically the transcript and references, must be postmarked by February 28. The Application Review Committee will make the final decision on the selected candidates by March 15, and the scholarship winners will be announced at the upcoming Florida HOSA State Leadership Conference.



Additionally, HOSA is proud to partner with Tallo to provide the HOSA Scholarship. Through the HOSA Scholarship, HOSA and its partners offer scholarships to HOSA members in countless health fields. To apply, simply join Tallo, search for the HOSA Scholarship, and follow the listed steps. For more information, visit the Florida HOSA website, and if interested, make sure to apply for these scholarships by their deadlines!



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HOSA Week

November 7 - 13, 2021

(or whenever your chapter designates!)

HOSA Week is a time for HOSA members to get out into the community and provide services, inform about opportunities in health care, show appreciation to health professionals and promote HOSA! While the first full week in November is usually designated as HOSA Week, chapters can select any week to be HOSA Week for their school. For activity ideas, follow this link to the National HOSA webpage:

<http://www.hosa.org/node/122>.



"The biggest adventure you can take is to live the life of your dreams."

~ Oprah





SAVE THE DATE #HPW2021: NOV 4-11

Calling all high school students, traditional and non-traditional college students, career changers, community college students and grad students: **YOU** can **WIN** prizes at Health Professions Week 2021 just for registering, participating, and completing the event survey!

Health Professions Week (HPW) is a nationwide collaboration between today’s healthcare and education organizations designed to provide reliable, accessible resources to explore careers in the health professions. If you are considering a future in the health professions, HPW2021, the largest online interprofessional career exploration event of its kind, is your one-stop-shop to explore 20+ unique career options. Registrants receive access to a personalized website with curated, on-demand content introducing the participating health professions, as well as access to exclusive live events featuring opportunities for one-on-one career advice. All future healthcare professionals are welcome to register for #HPW2021, including career changers, high school, college and graduate students, both domestic and international. Educators, advisors, and family members are encouraged to attend, too.

Student attendees can enter to win one of five (5) \$200 Amazon Gift Cards. They also have 5 sets of Kaplan Subject Review Books to give away in November! It’s really simple to become eligible to win - register, log in, ask questions about careers, get answers for your journey, and **get rewarded** for giving your opinion about the event!

All registered students will be emailed a survey at the completion of HPW2021. Winning big is as easy as hitting “submit.”

#HPW2021 is a **FREE** online event, so don’t delay and [register here](#) now or grab this QR Code to learn more!



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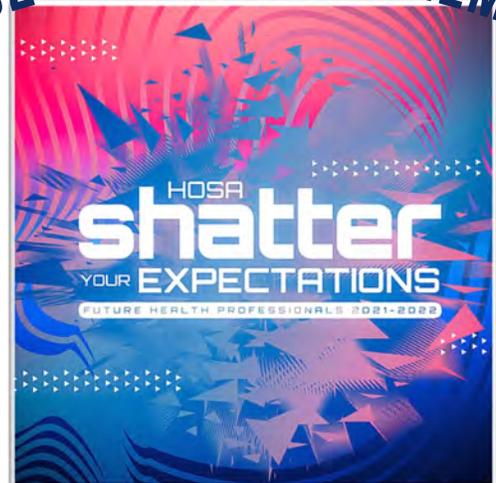


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2021**

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November 19 - 21**

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www.campkulaqua.com**

2021-2022 HOSA THEME



*"You can never cross the ocean unless you have
the courage to lose sight of the shore."
~ Christopher Columbus*

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