

FLDA 2025 Information and Instructions

The 2025 Fall Leadership Development Academy (FLDA) is right around the corner! This year, FLDA will be held Friday, November 14th – Sunday, November 16th at Camp Kulaqua in High Springs. **The registration fee is \$125 per person**, which includes breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, lunch on Saturday, and dinner on Friday and Saturday, but does not include housing. The registration deadline is Monday, October 10th. All forms and payment must be mailed to the Florida HOSA State Office with a postmark of October 20th or before. Per Florida HOSA Board of Directors' policy, there will be NO cancellations or refunds after the October 10th registration deadline. All names in the registration system after it automatically closes on October 10th must be paid for (no exceptions). Substitutions for registration must be made by 5pm on Thursday, November 13th.

While Camp Kulaqua has wonderful facilities for our conference, they are limited. In order to make sure all Florida HOSA schools have an opportunity to attend, each <u>school</u> (not chapter) may register current members based on the below scale using their total HOSA membership from the <u>2024-2025 year</u>, plus an advisor/chaperone. For brand new schools joining this year, up to *5 members* may be registered for the FLDA this year, plus an advisor/chaperone, if they wish. Please contact the Florida HOSA State Office if you do not know your school's membership total from the 2024-2025 school year. The number of registrants and substitutions are limited to each individual school and cannot be transferred.

2024-2025 Membership:

5 to 25 affiliated members = 7 members allowed to attend FLDA, plus an advisor/chaperone 26 to 50 affiliated members = 8 members allowed to attend FLDA, plus an advisor/chaperone 51 to 75 affiliated members = 9 members allowed to attend FLDA, plus an advisor/chaperone 76 to 100 affiliated members = 10 members allowed to attend FLDA, plus an advisor/chaperone 101 to 125 affiliated members = 11 members allowed to attend FLDA, plus an advisor/chaperone More than 126 affiliated members = 12 members allowed to attend FLDA, plus an advisor/chaperone

ALL schools, <u>including Post-Secondary</u>, MUST be accompanied by a registered advisor/chaperone. If the advisor is unable to attend, ONE lead chaperone (alternate advisor/parent, non-student 25 years of age or older) must be designated by the chapter advisor on the FLDA Checklist and registered for the conference as a chaperone in the HOSA CMS. The lead chaperone is responsible for signing in at registration and will be given conference materials/information to disperse to their chapter attendees. The Florida HOSA State Association is a resource and support organization that does not select, control, or supervise local chapter or individual member activities except as expressly provided in the Florida HOSA Bylaws.

Please visit the FLDA page on our Florida HOSA website for more important information (https://www.flhosa.org/flda-information-1/). You can also access this page by going to www.flhosa.org, hovering over "Conferences" on the main homepage, and then selecting "Fall Leadership Development Academy (FLDA)." On the FLDA page you will find additional information regarding overnight housing accommodations, required attendee registration forms, online registration instructions, our tentative agenda, and the State Officer fundraisers.

For schools attending FLDA, we ask that you bring a door prize related to the FLDA theme *Dr. Seuss – "Oh, Florida HOSA, the Places You'll Go..."*; the cost of this item should not exceed \$15. At FLDA, the State Officers will be fundraising for the Florida HOSA Foundation Scholarship. Members and advisors will be able

to purchase a long-sleeve FLDA commemorative t-shirt (designed by the State Officers themselves \mathfrak{S}), an FLDA 2025 specialty pin, an FLDA 2025 Passport Book, and FLDA-themed rubber ducks for the "Duck Pluck." Advisors can pre-order these options in each members' registration through HOSA's CMS at a discounted rate, or purchase on-site for an additional cost while supplies last. Please view both the Online Registration Instructions and State Officer Fundraisers documents on the FLDA page for more information. Regional Officers are also able to participate in a uniquely tailored Regional Officer Workshop, conducted by our State Officers on Saturday afternoon; there is no charge for this workshop, but advisors must pre-register those wishing to attend in the HOSA CMS.

Conference Registration Fees

Registration Fee: \$125 for each affiliated student member, advisor, and chaperone

Late Registration Fee: \$175 for each affiliated student member, advisor, and chaperone

Available after the regular registration deadline through <u>11:59pm EST on October</u>

15th by e-mail request only to the State Advisor

Pre-ordered Options/Activities (listed below) not available for late registration

Options/Activities: FLDA Long-Sleeve T-Shirt – \$24 if pre-ordered (\$28 on-site, while supplies last)

Pre-order policy - Once a t-shirt has been ordered, it must be paid for, even if that person cancels his/her registration. Unclaimed t-shirts may be resold.

Regional Officer Workshop (for elected Regional Officers <u>only</u>) – no charge FLDA Specialty Pin – <u>\$6</u> if pre-ordered (\$7 on-site, while supplies last) Passport Book – \$5 if pre-ordered (\$6 on-site, while supplies last)

FLDA-Themed Rubber Duck – \$3 for 1 or \$11 for set of 4 if pre-ordered (\$4 for 1 or \$14 for set of 4 on-site, while supplies last)

Conference Registration Deadlines

Registration Deadline: Friday, October 10th, 11:59pm EST

Postmark Deadline: Monday, October 20th to the Florida HOSA State Office

Chapters in close proximity to the State Office are encouraged to hand deliver their registration packet; please call 386-462-4672 prior to dropping off to ensure staff is available.

FLDA Checklist Registration Summary Report Required Attendee Registration Forms Payment

Payment

- Allowable forms of payment; we do not accept cash or personal checks:
 - School Check
 - Money Order
 - Bank/Cashier's Check
- Only <u>ONE</u> form of payment is permitted per chapter.
- Payment <u>MUST</u> be made payable to Florida HOSA, Inc. Please also verify that your school's bookkeeper enters the correct address if utilizing previously saved records or when generating a purchase order.

Dress Code

Attendees must wear their conference nametag where it is easily visible, and wristband (if applicable), during all conference activities. Since this is a camp, the conference attire is casual. Nice jeans and shorts (no rips or holes) are permitted; however, shorts must follow the "fingertip rule" (the length must extend to the end of the middle finger when standing and arms are hung straight at the side). Clothing that reveals cleavage, your back, your chest, your stomach, or your undergarments/underwear is NOT appropriate. Any clothing that has words, terms, or pictures that may be offensive is NOT acceptable. Clothing not permitted includes, but is not limited to: sweatpants, leggings, ripped jeans/shorts, jeans/shorts with holes, crop tops, tube tops, spaghetti

strap tops, bathing suits, etc. Members who experience uncertainty about acceptable HOSA attire should ask his/her chapter advisor, but when in doubt, don't wear it. The State Office reserves the right to request an attendee who is inappropriately dressed change their outfit.

Suggested Items to Bring

Please keep in mind that the facility is caffeine-free, but you may bring your own caffeinated beverages, if you wish. Other items that you or your members may want to bring consist of: a jacket/warm clothing (it can get cold during FLDA), comfortable walking shoes, a flashlight, sunscreen, insect repellent, umbrella, and money for the fundraisers/HOSA store.