

# **WBR 2025 Information and Instructions**

This year, Florida HOSA will once again be partnering with the defending Stanley Cup Champion Florida Panthers to host our 2025 Welcome Back Rally (WBR). WBR will be held Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at Amerant Bank Arena in Sunrise. **The registration fee is \$23 per person**, which includes a State Officer-led HOSA Hype Session, an exclusive locker-room and arena tour, as well as a meal with drink. There is also an option to purchase discounted grouprate tickets separately (game tickets start at \$31 per attendee) for select hockey games. Advisors interested in purchasing discounted group-rate tickets must do so through the Florida Panthers; a link to purchase tickets will be sent out after registration closes. **The registration deadline is Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.** All forms and payment must be <u>BROUGHT</u> to the WBR on September 30<sup>th</sup>; <u>please do not mail</u>. Per Florida HOSA Board of Directors' policy, there will be NO cancellations or refunds after the September 15<sup>th</sup> registration deadline. All names in the registration system after it automatically closes on September 15<sup>th</sup> must be paid for (no exceptions). Substitutions for registration must be made by 5pm on Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup>.

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 WBR 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 WBR page on our Florida HOSA website for more important information (<a href="https://www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/">https://www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/</a>). You can also access this page by going to <a href="https://www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/">www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/</a>). You can also access this page by going to <a href="https://www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/">www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/</a>). You can also access this page by going to <a href="https://www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/">www.flhosa.org/welcome-back-rally/</a>). You can also access this page by going to <a href="https://www.flhosa.org">www.flhosa.org</a>, hovering over "Conferences" on the main homepage, and then selecting "Welcome Back Rally (WBR)." On the WBR page you will find additional information regarding required attendee registration forms, online registration instructions, and our tentative agenda.

## **Conference Registration Fees**

Registration Fee: \$23 for each student member, advisor, and chaperone

Options/Activities: Vegetarian Meal Preference – no charge

**Hockey Game Ticket** – purchased directly through Florida Panthers

### **Conference Registration Deadlines**

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 11:59pm EST

Payment & Forms Deadline: Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

\*Payment, registration summary, and forms must be <u>brought to the WBR</u> (DO NOT MAIL)

WBR Checklist

Registration Summary Report

Required Attendee Registration Forms

**Payment** 

#### **Payment**

- Allowable forms of payment; we do not accept cash or personal checks:
  - School Check
  - o Money Order
  - Bank/Cashier's Check
- Only ONE 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 wristband where it is easily visible during all event activities. Since this is a rally, the conference attire is casual. Nice jeans/pants (no rips or holes) are permitted; shorts are not permitted. Skirts or dresses 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: shorts, 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 arena may be cold, so members are encouraged to bring a jacket/warm clothing, comfortable walking shoes for the tours, and money for the Florida Panthers gift shop.