

The Chart

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Happy New Year, Advisors!

The State Officer Team hopes that you and your students enjoyed a break that you all most certainly deserved! We also hope that you find this next semester an exciting time to be a part of the HOSA organization—State Leadership Conference is quickly approaching! Please remember that online testing registration is now open, and that online testing will take place starting January 14th. Other upcoming events include the availability of the State Officer Application and the AzHOSA Scholarship Application online at azhosa.org.

Last month, I let you know that your concerns and questions on Regional Conferences were heard and taken into consideration by the Arizona HOSA Board of Directors. When the Board met on December 15th, they decided on the following:

- AzHOSA will NOT hold traditional Regional Conferences this year.
- To give our students an opportunity to practice their events, we will offer a practice digital model that a student can participate in if they wish to.
- The regional conference is not a mandatory qualifier for the State Conference.
- The guidelines will be sent out next week and the process to submit the following events:
 - Extemporaneous Health Poster
 - Extemporaneous Speaking
 - Extemporaneous Writing
 - Medical Photography
 - Career Health Display
- These event submissions will be judged and feedback provided for the students.
- There is no fee and no travel involved for this digital competition.

We hope that this information addresses your concerns on Regionals. With competitive events quickly approaching we encourage you and your students to reach out to the state officers for last minutes visits, information, or guidance on choosing and competing in an event.

Wishing you a great start in the New Year,

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