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**2024 ALABAMA HOSA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
BEING HELD THIS WEEK – STUDENTS COMPETING FOR STATE
HONORS AND THE EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND THE
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN JUNE**

Jackie Zeigler
District I

“HOSA Works to Develop America’s Next Generation of Highly Skilled Health Professionals”

Tracie West
District II
Vice President

Montgomery, Ala. – This week, approximately 1,800 Alabama students and teachers will travel to Montgomery to participate in two days of competitive events and advanced leadership study at the [2024 HOSA Future Health Professionals State Leadership Conference](#), February 28 – March 1.

Stephanie Bell
District III



Students attending this exciting event at the *Renaissance Montgomery Hotel and Convention Center* will have an opportunity to participate in over 45 competitions and workshops.

Yvette M. Richardson, Ed.D.
District IV

The **2024 Alabama HOSA Awards** ceremony will be held Friday afternoon, starting at 1 p.m.

Tonya S. Chestnut, Ed.D.
District V
President Pro Tem

The top winners in each competition category will be eligible to represent our state at the 2024 HOSA International Leadership Conference in Houston, Texas, on June 26-29.

Marie Manning
District VI

Some of the exciting competitive events that students will be participating in this year at Alabama’s HOSA State Leadership Conference are *Medical Math, Pharmacy Science, Veterinary Assisting, CPR/First Aid, Sports Medicine, and Biomedical Debate.*

Belinda McRae
District VII

Currently, the international HOSA organization has more than 260,000 members across the globe. HOSA’s primary mission is to promote career opportunities in health care fields, which will enhance the delivery of quality health care to all people.

The *salary potential* for young professionals in medical career areas today is growing. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the median annual salary for medical and health services managers alone has grown to more than \$104,000 per year.

Wayne Reynolds, Ed.D.
District VIII



Alabama’s career and technical education (CTE) program provides students an opportunity to participate in seven different student organizations, including HOSA.

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Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D.
Secretary and
Executive Officer

Developing America's Next Generation of Highly Skilled Health Professionals - HOSA

Students participating in Alabama's HOSA program have an opportunity to prepare for a wide variety of healthcare careers focused in the areas of Therapeutic Services, Diagnostic Services, Health Informatics, Support Services, and Biotechnology Research & Development.

To learn more about Alabama's HOSA organization, contact State Advisor, Becky Cornelius, at 334-694-4766 or visit the Alabama HOSA website www.alabamahosa.org or the national HOSA website, www.HOSA.org.

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