

Louisiana HOSA

"HOSA: the hearts that believe and the hands that achieve"

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Plan Now for Spring Conference!

It may seem far off, but the Louisiana HOSA Spring Leadership Conference is just around the corner! Information and applications will be sent out at the end of December or beginning of January.

Have you started thinking about and studying for what event you will compete in? Go to the HOSA website link below to read about all the different events offered. There is definitely something for everyone! While snooping around on that page, be sure to read about the recognition events!

Event Guidelines

Special Guest at Spring Conference!!

What a great Spring Conference we are going to have in March! One of the many things that will make it very special is that a National Student Officer will be attending!

Nzuekoh Nchinda, who is the Region II Vice President, will be attending the conference, meeting as many of you as possible, and meeting WITH many of you. In addition to helping out at our conference, she will be speaking about her life and her mission. Nzuekoh has so much to offer our growing Louisiana HOSA organization, and we are very grateful that she will be joining us! Let's all be there to welcome her and show her that Louisiana HOSA IS HAPPENING!!!! You can read about Nzuekoh on the HOSA website: Executive Council

President's Pen

Hey Everyone,

As the holidays approach it's a great time to think of what exactly you want to do for competition at spring conference. Ask Santa for everything that you need for your competition! :) We are asking that you have an idea of what you want to do before December so we can start scheduling and making room for judging. While on the topic of spring conference, don't forget to sign up for Courtesy Corps for the spring conference. Courtesy Corps is a group of students who help to direct testers into the right areas and help to maintain proper dress code and conduct. If you are interested in helping out this year, please contact me. Information on who is selected will be e-mailed to you. Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank you, Sarah Featherston featherston.sarah@gmail.com

Great Things in Small Packages

You've heard it said that great things come in small packages, and that is exactly what one of the Louisiana HOSA chapters is proving!

The HOSA group at the Zoo Boo Community Service Event.

The students and Advisor in this newly formed HOSA chapter at Hicks High School in Leesville, are really setting the bar! Hicks High is a very small rural school, but the students within are doing great things! The HOSA students have started their chapter newsletter, have been actively holding their HOSA meetings, started creating their chapter scrapbook, and have become involved in the community.

In October, students from Hicks H.S. HOSA chapter

volunteered at the ZooBoo held every year

at the Alexandria Zoo. On October 29, 2010, chapter advisor Mrs. Katie Standlea, and HOSA members Kelsey Dayton, April Beck, Jasmine Monk, and Justin Lebleu, volunteered their Friday evening to dress up in costumes and help the zoo have a successful fundraising event. This event was so popular, that students even stayed an hour after the event was scheduled to end to help entertain more visitors. The HOSA members were able to scare visitors if they were



Kelsey and April with visitors at the Zoo Boo.

on the scary trail or wave, smile, and take pictures with the little supermen, princesses, and ladybug visitors on the happy trail.

In addition to that activity, HOSA students also set up a table at the recent basketball game and offered free blood pressure readings for anyone in attendance!

Winners!!!

The following design was voted on for this year:

The winning t-shirt was designed by Dakota Stewart who attends the Literacy & Technology Center in Walker, LA! Dakota earned the Traveling Trophy to be kept at her school for one year!

Designed at Customink.com

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Congratulations Dakota!

Everyone attending the Spring conference will receive a t-shirt!

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Coming Soon: Health Career

Limelight

Welcome New Chapters & Members!!

Dillard University:

Farren Washington

East St. John High School:

Officers: Aimee Hebert, President; Alexa Mora, Vice-President; Arianne Simmons, Secretary; Keisha Netto, Treasurer; Jessica Brown, Reporter.

Advisors: Ms. Martha Hymel & Ms. Chanel Zeno

Deanna Alford Chazity Lennox Akia Theriot Tae'lair Clark Alexandria Lingle Shirrokee Guillard Kayla Osborne Kendall Howard Terrence Simmons

Hicks High School:

Officers: Nikki Cammack, President; Rebecca Stanley, Vice-President; Mercedes Kirschener, Treasurer; Jessi Doyle, Secretary; Kaleb Bennett, Community Service Chairperson; Peyton Weekley, Editor

Literacy & Technology Center:

Advisor: Deborah Anderson,

Valarie Aucoin Taylor Barras Jennifer Breve Abbey Breeden Christina Chevalier Aaron Brown Elizabeth Burton Casie Champagne Jeff Crochet Peyton deAlminara Taylor Damare lessica Deshotels Aimee Devall Breeahna Everhart Jessica Falks Kayleigh Fontenot Herlanie Fox Tiffany Gasquet Derek Hampton Joshua Harvey Aryel Herrington Shanna Hite Michaela Janicki Oliva Jessup Thomas Law Shaina Leiva ShaiRenee' Martin Kirsty (Benji) McCahill Jase Morgan Kelsey Nicolosi **Brittany Newton** Dixie Nichols Ashley Novak Leah Pearson Lauren Picou Jerri Pringle Loren Sanders Kyle Sharp Ashley Smith Ashley Rogers Lene Smith Adam Stacey Alayna Stewart Dakota Stewart Wyatt Stewart Trey Tarver Catherine Tate Kristin Walker **Ashley Welch** Kaely Welda Taylor Wick Kaycie Wolfanger

St. Amant High School:

Advisors: Ms. Jennifer Pizzalato & Ms. Shawn Bourgeois

Abney, Ashley Falcon, Courtney Jarvis, Shayna Mackey, Hailey Bardwell, Jade Gautreaux, Chelsey Landry, Reagan Melancon, Blaire Bercegeay, Britni Hatcher, Kaytee Langlois, Lauren Pizzalato, Jennifer Bertrand, Sydnie Sturdivant Ashley Lavigne, Hayley Smith, Kelsey

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Funny Stuff

A man goes to the doctor and says:
"Doctor, I have a problem. When I drink tea, my eye aches and when I stop, it stops too. Can you help me?"
The doctor says: "Take the spoon out of the cup!"

National HOSA Week Event

Is your chapter participating in the National HOSA Week Event? The **deadline** to submit your application for this event to Louisiana State HOSA is: **February 18th, 2011** All applications should be sent to the State Advisor at the address in Lafayette. In order to be eligible for this award and also eligible for the national recognition, applications must be on time at the state advisor's office. For information, read the event guidelines for National HOSA Week. Good Luck!

We're Looking...

....for the **Most Outstanding Chapter Advisor.** Each year, every state is asked to choose the Most Outstanding State Leader. We need your help! Send us notes to tell us about your advisor. What do they do that makes them stand out? How have they helped you and others? What makes them seem to rise above the rest? Let us know, and they may be chosen as Louisiana's Most Outstanding Chapter Advisor, and be recognized at the 2011 National Conference in Anaheim, California!!



The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects it to change. The leader adjusts the sails.

- John Maxwell

Upcoming Events

March 12, 2011 Walk to Cure Diabetes, Girard Park, Lafayette 8:00am registration

9:00am start time

March 13 - 14, 2011 Louisiana HOSA Spring Conference, Pineville, LA June 22 - 25, 2011 National Leadership Conference, Anaheim CA

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