

PENN HOSA

CODE OF CONDUCT

A good reputation enables you to take pride in your organization. HOSA members have an excellent reputation. Your conduct at the 2026 State Leadership Conferences should reflect the reputation that has been established.

1. Your behavior at all times should be such that it reflects credit to you, your school, your state and HOSA.
2. Student conduct is the responsibility of local chapter advisors/chaperones. Students shall keep their advisor and/or chaperones informed of their activities and whereabouts at all times.
3. Attendees shall be on time for all meetings, orientation, competitive events and meal functions.
4. Conference name badges shall be worn at all times.
5. **This is a non-smoking conference. Smoking or vaping is a violation of PENN HOSA and hotel policy.**
6. Due to insurance regulations, all attendees shall remain at the designated hotel site for the duration of the conference, unless express permission has been granted by the State Advisor. It is advised that 1 adult is registered for every 10 students attending SLC.
7. Members are to abide by the PENN HOSA Official Dress Code policy at all business sessions, general sessions, competitive events and other Conference activities.
8. All outside telephone calls must be made from personal cell phones. Room phones are not to be used for any outside calls. **Cell phone or smart devices may not be used or turned on during conference sessions and activities, and competitive events.**
9. **There will be NO males permitted in rooms occupied by females and females are NOT permitted in rooms occupied by males unless advisor/chaperone is present in either situation.**
10. Alcoholic beverages and/or possession/consumption of controlled substances in any form are **PROHIBITED**. Attendees may not purchase, consume, or be under the influence of alcohol or drugs at any time. Violators will be subject to stringent disciplinary action.
11. No room charges are to be made by HOSA members or adults unless permission is granted by the State Advisor.
12. All attendees should, upon entering their rooms, keep door closed and locked at all times. All curtains/drapes shall be closed after dark.
13. There shall be no defacing of property. Any damage to property or furnishings in the hotel rooms or buildings will be at the expense of the individual room occupants or chapter as warranted to replace/repair.
14. If a HOSA member is responsible for stealing, the member and his/her parents/guardian will be expected to pay any and all damages.
15. All student members must be in their assigned rooms and quiet at the designated curfew time indicated in the program. Keep in mind, there may be other guests registered in the hotel.
16. As a participant at the PENN HOSA State Leadership Conference, permission is granted to make photographs, videotapes, broadcasts, and/or sound recordings, separately or in combination, available for reproduction for educational and promotional purposes by PENN HOSA.

GENERAL SESSION PROTOCOL: The general sessions should be enthusiastic but participants must not be rude or obnoxious to those in the audience or on stage. It is important to remain seated until the end of the session. Chapters that do not adhere to general session protocol will be asked to send an advisor/chaperone representative to a special meeting with the PENN HOSA Executive Director/State Advisor and/or other PENN HOSA representatives as appointed.

SPECIAL NOTE: An individual or an entire school delegation may be disqualified from competitive events, barred from conference activities and/or expelled from the conference (at their expense) for violations of this code of conduct. Decisions for disciplinary actions are at the sole discretion of the PENN HOSA Executive Director/State Advisor.

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SIGNATURE PAGE

I have read the PENN HOSA Code of Conduct pertaining to the PENN HOSA 2026 State Leadership Conference and agree to abide by these rules and regulations.

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| Print Name of Parent/Guardian (Not required for post-secondary members) | Parent/Guardian's Signature | Date |
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| Print Name of Advisor | Advisor's Signature | Date |
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