



Welcome to Cal-HOSA 2016-2017

Good afternoon Cal-HOSA advisors,

School is already at full steam in most places and ready to begin a new and meaningful experience for Cal-HOSA chapter members.

Upcoming Events:

Already there have been a couple of exciting opportunities offered to your students such as the upcoming City of Hope Experiment in Santa Monica, September 14, and the Building Health Communities Summit through the California Medical Association in Newport Beach, September 16-18, and the Washington Leadership Academy, September 17-20 in Washington DC.

Another important upcoming event is the Fourth Annual Cal-HOSA Planning Meeting in Sacramento, September 9-11. This is an annual event open to all Cal-HOSA members as a way to be a part of the yearly planning process. This year the participation slots went quickly and the event is now full. But, how exciting is that to have so many local chapter advisors interested in planning and making this year with Cal-HOSA great!

New Event:

A NEW event for Cal-HOSA this year is the **Capitol Leadership Experience, February 5-7, 2017!** The event is a partnership with Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). Students will have the opportunity to come to Sacramento and learn about the legislative process, meet with legislators and experience leadership at a new level. Cal-HOSA and FCCLA students will partner on leadership activities, network with members across the State and discuss important issues relative to both organizations.

Cal-HOSA will have slots for 30 students; provide a travel stipend to chapters to assist with or cover transportation costs; provide hotel and food for students. There will be a small registration fee of approximately \$40.00 or \$50.00 to participate.

Additionally, there will be limited funds for advisor/chaperones and substitute teachers if your district requires that the student is accompanied by an advisor/chaperone.

This is a Cal-HOSA first time event! Stay tuned for registration information.

Reminders:

Here are some Cal-HOSA reminders that will assist you as you begin to plan for the upcoming year. The first reminder for you is to check the cal-hosa.org website often. Cal-HOSA will use the cal-hosa.org website to notify you of events, provide registration information, and to keep you up-to-date on everything that is pertinent to Cal-HOSA.

◆ Reminders or new items that are important to you this year:

1. The *Important Dates for Cal-HOSA* is now on the website, cal-hosa.org. Check often as any changes to dates and location will be updated regularly.
2. Cal-HOSA affiliation process begins with the completion of the **Affiliation Survey** online at cal-hosa.org. Advisors **must** complete this survey prior to moving to affiliation through the National hosa.org process. All prior year's fees must be paid in full to affiliate.

*Remember: Advisors must complete the survey, **not students**. Schools that have Cal-HOSA chapters must have Career Technical Education (CTE) courses, pathways, or academies and*

an advisor or co-advisor that has a CTE Designated Subjects Credential in Health Science and Medical Technology (HSMT).

3. The Chapter Stipend application will be online at cal-hosa.org beginning August 29. Applications must be submitted by September 21, 2016 to be eligible for funds. Chapters will receive a \$500.00 base plus an additional \$5.00/students. Actual amounts may vary depending on number of applications received.

*Remember: Only those applicants that provide a complete application will be funded. Application **MUST** include a budget indicating how last year's chapter stipend funds were spent and proposed budget for this year. Do not send information for your entire budget – only the Chapter Stipend funds!*

4. The Regional Leadership Conference (RLC) have now been scheduled. Please check the cal-hosa.org website for the upcoming registration instructions.

<i>Regional Leadership Conferences (RLC)</i>		<i>September 30-October 21, 2016</i>
<i>Region 1</i>	<i>Venture Academy, Stockton</i>	<i>October 29, 2016</i>
<i>Region 2</i>	<i>Location TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>
<i>Region 3</i>	<i>Palmdale HS, Palmdale</i>	<i>October 22, 2016</i>
<i>Region 4</i>	<i>East Los Angeles College</i>	<i>October 15, 2016</i>
<i>Region 5A</i>	<i>Cathedral HS, Palm Springs</i>	<i>October 8, 2016</i>
<i>Region 5B</i>	<i>Location TBD</i>	<i>October 8, 2016</i>

5. This year Cal-HOSA has set up a credit card system to allow districts to pay the fee that come directly to Cal-HOSA (not affiliation) such as Regional Leadership Conference registration and State Leadership Conference registration.

This accommodation has been put into operation because **Cal-HOSA implemented a policy last year, 2015-16 that Cal-HOSA would not accept purchase orders from your districts and that all SLC registration fees must be paid in full for your students to attend the conference.** Because this was a new policy, a few schools were unaware of the policy and allowed to pay onsite.

There will be NO options for onsite payments at the SLC registration.

*Remember: There is a **no change** policy at SLC; all fees, including affiliation fees paid directly to National HOSA, Advisor Orientations, RLC, Regional Online Testing and SC. must be paid prior to onsite registration at SLC.*

As you can see already, Cal-HOSA is off to a great beginning. If you need assistance or have any questions, please ask. My email is cbeck@cde.ca.gov or you can contact Carla Cherry at Headquarters, headquarters.calhosa@gmail.com.

Have a great Cal-HOSA year,

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