WV HOSA International Leadership Conference (ILC) Eligibility Policy

Effective Date: August 28, 2025

Purpose

To maintain a standard of academic and professional excellence, WV HOSA has established a minimum test score requirement for students participating in competitive events. This policy ensures that representatives of WV HOSA at the International Leadership Conference (ILC) demonstrate foundational competency in their chosen events.

Policy Statement

To be eligible to attend the HOSA International Leadership Conference (ILC) as a competitor in any event that includes a written test, are a minimum written exam score of 50% must be achieved. Additionally, for any event that has a round one written exam and a round two skill portion, the minimum skill rubric score per the event guidelines must also be achieved.

Scope

This policy applies to all WV HOSA student members who:

- Compete in events that include a written test as part of the competition at the annual WV HOSA State Leadership Conference (SLC) and
- Plan to attend ILC as a WV HOSA competitor.

Guidelines

1. Minimum Test Score Requirement

- a) Individual competitors must achieve a minimum score of **50%** (based on the raw or adjusted score as determined by HOSA Future Health Professionals scoring standards) on the written test portion of any competitive event
- b) In team events, the team must achieve a minimum score of **50%** (based on the raw or adjusted score as determined by HOSA Future Health Professionals scoring standards) on the written test portion of any competitive event

2. WV HOSA Ranking Requirements for the State Leadership Conference

- a) <u>Health Science Events, Epidemiology, and Middle School Events with written</u> exams
 - 1. First place will only be awarded if a minimum score of 50% has been scored on the written exam. Final ranking for any competitor who meets

- the minimum 50% exam requirement will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines,
- 2. Second and third place will be awarded even if the 50% minimum score is not achieved on the written exam. Final ranking will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines.
- 3. If there are no competitors who score a minimum 50% on the written exam, first place will not be awarded and there will not be an ILC competitor in said event.
- 4. All first-place winners will be granted the opportunity to attend the annual ILC
- 5. Second and third place winners will be granted the opportunity to attend the annual ILC only if the minimum 50% exam requirement is met.
- b) <u>Health Professions Events and Middle School Events with written exams and</u> round two skills
 - 1. First place will only be awarded if a minimum score of 50% has been scored on the written exam and a minimum score of 70% has been scored on the round two skill rubric(s). Final ranking for any competitor who meets the minimum 50% exam requirement and the minimum 70% skill requirement will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines,
 - 2. Second and third place will be awarded even if the 50% minimum score is not achieved on the written exam, but the minimum score of 70% is achieved on the round two skill rubric(s). Final ranking will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines.
 - 3. If there are no competitors who score a minimum 50% on the written exam and a minimum 70% on the round two skills portion, first place will not be awarded and there will not be an ILC competitor in said event.
 - 4. All first-place winners will be granted the opportunity to attend the annual ILC
 - 5. Second and third place winners will be granted the opportunity to attend the annual ILC only if the minimum 50% exam requirement and minimum 70% skill requirement is met.
- c) <u>Emergency Preparedness Team Events and Middle School Team Events with</u> written exams and round two skills
 - 1. First place will only be awarded if a minimum team score of 50% has been scored on the written exam and a minimum team score of 70% has been scored on the round two skill rubric(s). Final ranking for any team who meets the minimum 50% exam requirement and the minimum 70% skill requirement will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines,
 - 2. Second and third place will be awarded even if the 50% minimum score is not achieved on the written exam, but the minimum score of 70% is achieved on the round two skill rubric(s). Final ranking will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines.
 - 3. If there are no teams who score a minimum 50% on the written exam and a minimum 70% on the round two skills portion, first place will not be awarded and there will not be an ILC team in said event.

- 4. All first-place winners will be granted the opportunity to attend the annual ILC
- 5. Second and third place winners will be granted the opportunity to attend the annual ILC only if the minimum 50% exam requirement and minimum 70% skill requirement is met.
- 3. Healthy Living, Forensic Science, Creative Problem Solving, Parliamentary Procedure and any Middle School Event that has a round 1 exam and round 2 display, case study, or presentation
 - a) Because these events included a display, case study, or presentation,
 - 1. First place will only be awarded if a minimum score of 50% has been scored on the written exam (individual or team average). Final ranking for any competitor or team who meets the minimum 50% exam requirement will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines,
 - 2. Second and third place will be awarded even if the 50% minimum score is not achieved on the written exam. Final ranking will be determined per the HOSA event guidelines.
 - 3. If there are no competitors or teams who score a minimum 50% on the written exam, first place will not be awarded and there will not be an ILC competitor in said event.
 - 4. First, Second, and Third place winners will be granted the opportunity to attend the annual ILC only if the minimum 50% exam requirement is met.
 - 5. If an event has a digital upload requirement and the submission deadline was not met for SLC, the competitor will not be considered for ranking but will be given the opportunity to complete his/her live presentation.
- 4. HOSA Bowl, Biomedical Debate, Medical Spelling and any Middle School Event that has a round 1 exam and round 2 live, in person head-to-head competition
 - a) Because these events include live, in-person head-to-head competition,
 - 1. Written test scores will be used solely for **seeding** and **placement** into the second round.
 - 2. Advancement to ILC will be based on demonstrated competency during the in-person competition, requiring teams to correctly answer multiple questions in head-to-head rounds.
- 5. Non-Tested Events
 - a) This policy does **not** apply to events that do not include a written test component.
- 6. Appeals
 - a) Appeals to this policy must be submitted in writing to the WV HOSA State Advisor within **five (5) business days** of SLC results being posted.
 - b) Appeals will be reviewed by the WV HOSA Board, and all decisions are final.

Rationale

This policy promotes academic integrity and ensures that WVHOSA representatives at ILC demonstrate a baseline level of knowledge in their competitive events. It aligns with WVHOSA's mission to prepare future health professionals with competence, confidence, and professionalism.

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the state advisor by December 31 that my chapter(s) will not be eligible to registe	r for the WV
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