



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

DEADLINE, FEBRUARY 1, 2025

WHO MAY APPLY:

- The scholarship is available to either a secondary senior or any post-secondary student who plans to continue or further his/her education in the healthcare field.
- The applicant must be currently enrolled in a healthcare pathway.
- The applicant must be an active member of HOSA.
- The applicant must be a HOSA member in good standing.
- The applicant must register and attend the 2025 SC HOSA State Leadership Conference. **When applying for a scholarship, it is important to remember that if you receive a scholarship, your attendance is mandatory at both the scholarship dinner and the Opening Session to receive the scholarship award.** The activities will take place on Wednesday, March 5th, beginning in the late afternoon. Details will be shared via Evite (through “Greenvelope”) for those receiving a scholarship.

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The application must be submitted online by the **deadline, February 1, 2025**, to be considered.

Mailed or faxed applications will NOT be accepted.

Incomplete and late submissions will NOT be considered.

- All applications are reviewed by a designated scholarship selection committee. The selection committee will make the final decision on all scholarship awards.
- The amount and number of scholarships will vary from year to year.
- The winners of SC HOSA scholarship awards will be announced at the state leadership conference (SLC).
- The scholarship award will be forwarded directly to the school, college, or university upon receipt of documentation verifying the recipient's enrollment at that school, college or university. Also, if awarded a scholarship, you are required to complete a [Transfer Funds Form](#).

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The following items **MUST** be included as part of the online scholarship application and uploaded where indicated by the deadline, **February 1, 2025**.

If items require a signature, you must print the form, get the appropriate signature(s), scan and upload as indicated in the online application.

*****All uploaded pages must have the applicant's name and document title at the top of each page. All documents must be in PDF format.*****

1. *College Acceptance/Statement*—Indicate the post-secondary healthcare program, course of study or major, and the college/university you plan to attend.
 - a. If an acceptance letter is available, upload a PDF copy as indicated in the on-line application.
 - b. If not available, please upload a statement indicating it is not currently available and describe your plans.
2. *Grades/Transcript* (official or unofficial accepted)
3. *HOSA **ONLY** leadership activities for current and prior school year.*
 - a. Evidence of HOSA leadership roles and traits should be showcased by detailing the HOSA offices you have held, HOSA awards you have received, and your personal involvement. HOSA activities from the current year should be listed first. *See table 1 on page 3 for an example.*
4. *HOSA only Community Service Activities:* Include your HOSA State and National service project activities, volunteer experience, time invested, and a description of each activity. *See table 2 on page 3 for an example.*
5. *Personal Statement – How HOSA has played a part in your future goals.*
 - a. Describe three exemplary qualities gained through your HOSA experiences.
 - b. How you can use them in your future college or community career.
 - c. You should use, 12 point, Times Roman Numeral or Arial font, double spaced, all margins set to 1”

6. **Three** reference submissions are required, through this link, <https://www.schosa.org/reference-letters/>. **It is your responsibility to share this link with your references. References should be submitted between November 15, 2024 – February 1, 2025. No written reference letters accepted.**
- a. Reference submissions may be provided by the following:
 - i. Reference one: A teacher, advisor, principal, or school counselor
 - ii. Reference two: An employer or community leader
 - iii. Reference three: A source other than a relative
 - b. References should have knowledge of the applicant’s scholarship, HOSA leadership abilities, interpersonal skills and character.

Table 1: Please follow this format on the document you will upload for # 3 above

Your name & document name		
Current School year activities	HOSA Office held/Committee/Activity/Membership	Responsibility
Prior School year activities	HOSA Office held/Committee/Activity/Membership	Responsibility

Table 2: Please follow this format on the document you will upload for #4 above

Your name & document name			
Year	HOSA State/National Service Project	How you were involved	Time Invested

Application Component Summary

- On-line application complete
- Career Goal
- College Acceptance Letter or Statement
- Transcript
- HOSA Leadership/Awards
- National/State Service Project Participation
- Three References
- Personal Statement

If you have any questions, please contact, schosa@outlook.com

Good Luck!



South Carolina Scholarship Rubric

Applicants Name: _____

1. College Acceptance/Statement

PDF copy of acceptance letter or statement describing future plans

2. Grades/Transcript - Graded on non-weighted scale (You must have at least a 2.5 GPA, non-weighted to qualify for a SC HOSA Scholarship)

_____	3.5 – 4.0	20 pts
_____	3.0 – 3.5	15 pts
_____	2.5 – 3.0	10 pts

Total Transcript Points _____

3. HOSA Leadership Activities through High School and College

_____	SC HOSA State Officer	5 pts
_____	Chapter Officer	3 pts
_____	Placement (1 -5) at State Leadership Conference	2 pts
_____	Placement (1 -5) at International Leadership Conference	2 pts
_____	Participated at State Leadership Conference	1 pt

HOSA Leadership Activities Score _____

4. HOSA- ONLY Community Service Activities

State and/or National Service Projects
 National Pediatric Foundation, Be The Match, NMDP, SC
 NAMI, Shriners, Maui

1 pt for each, up to 5 pts

Community Service Score _____

5. Personal Statement- “How HOSA has played a part in your future goals?”

(See rubric below, total of 25 points)

- a. Describe three exemplary qualities gained through your HOSA experiences
- b. How you can use them in your future college or community career.

Personal Statement Score _____

6. References (Up to 5 points each for a total of 15 possible points)

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| a. Outstanding Reference - Writer knows applicant | 5 pts |
| b. Outstanding Reference - but very general with no specific examples | 4 pts |
| c. Good Reference - May be too short, too long examples are general | 3 pts |
| d. Fair Reference - May be too short, too long or doesn't sound professional | 2 pts |
| e. Poor Reference - Not well written, could apply to anyone, overall bad reference | 1 pt |
| f. No Reference provided | 0 points |

_____	Ref 1	_____	Ref 2	_____	Ref 3	
Total Reference Points						_____

Assessment of Personal Statement	Excellent - 5	Very Good -4	Good – 3	Fair - 2	Poor -1	N/A- 0
1. Follows directions in responding to personal statement						
2. Clearly describes three exemplary qualities gained through HOSA						
3. Qualities described in the statement are well thought out and not just simplistic or wordy statements						
4. Describes how qualities gained will benefit them in their future college education and career						
5. Proper grammar is used throughout personal statement						
6. Proper sentence structure is used throughout statement						
7. Personal statement is without spelling errors						
8. Sentence structure shows variety and maturity in writing						
9. Personal statements flow well between subjects/sentences						
10. Personal statement stays focused throughout						
11. Readers find personal statements have an interesting or stylistic flair						
12. Personal statements show sophistication in writing						
13. Overall impression of student's understanding of assignment and quality of submission						

Total Points Personal Statement _____

Total Application Points _____