



Attention South Carolina HOSA Future Health Professionals Chapter Officers, Advisors, and Members:

I am honored to welcome you back to another great year with South Carolina HOSA! With such an amazing year in the books, I encourage all of you to uphold the tradition of a strong and engaged South Carolina HOSA. I along with the officer team, thank you for your dedication last year, and we look forward to serving SC 2017-2018. Your officer team and advisors have come together to set 3 goals for our delegation to work towards in the 2017-2018 year. They are as follows:

1. South Carolina HOSA will donate at least \$12,000 towards our national service project; NAMI in the 2017-2018 year.
2. South Carolina HOSA will increase membership by 2% in the 2017-2018 year.
3. Each state officer will visit at least 3 HOSA chapters during the 2017-2018 school year.

We believe that local chapters working together will not just reach these goals, but exceed them.

Words of encouragement to help individual chapters achieve SC HOSA goals for the 2017-2018 year:

- Challenge your chapter to become one of the largest contributors to NAMI. Brainstorm ideas for engaging fundraisers and encourage all members to participate. Keep in mind this goal isn't just about monetary donations, but to make a positive change through education. Mental illness affects many people in our nation, and we want to promote NAMI so that people will have access to the resources they provide.
- Get the word out! The best recruitment tool for membership is word-of-mouth from other members. Share your favorite HOSA experience or tell them your HOSA story. Use social media to engage other students in your school with pictures of chapter activities. HOSA membership will increase and new friends will be made.
- SC HOSA is now accepting HOSA-related picture submissions from members. Please email all photos to schosamedia@gmail.org. Please "like" SC HOSA on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter and Instagram at SC_HOSA! Great way to stay connected to HOSA activities.

We have exciting opportunities planned for 2017-2018! All local HOSA officers and members, with an interest in leadership, are invited to attend the Fall Leadership Conference at Newberry College on October 12th for leadership tips, team building activities, and engaging sessions! We look forward to seeing you there!

The 2017-2018 HOSA National theme is "CREATE YOUR FUTURE!"



We hope that your investment in being an active member in SC HOSA will help shape and give you direction as you pursue your goal to become a health professional. On behalf of your officer team, we believe in YOU and your ability to touch lives in your own community and throughout the state. We look forward to serving you this year. Again, thank you for making South Carolina HOSA the best student-led organization in the state!

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nathaniel Owens".

Nathaniel Owens
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