State Officer Code of Conduct

A good reputation enables you to take pride in yourself and your organization. HOSA members have an excellent reputation of high standards to uphold. Your conduct at any HOSA function will continue to enhance the HOSA reputation. HOSA officers and candidates should demonstrate integrity, leadership qualities, good sportsmanship and should be an example to others at all times.

1. The behavior of each HOSA member should at all times be such that it reflects credit to them, his/her school and the SC HOSA organization. The conduct of the student is the responsibility of the individual student. Students must inform the supervisor or officer advisor of his/her activities and whereabouts at all times.

2. HOSA nametags, HOSA Uniform or proper attire must be worn to all HOSA events. If casual dress is announced as appropriate for an event, nametags must still be worn and casual dress will be dictated by the officer advisor.

3. The state officers are expected to attend all conference sessions as required, be on time and show respect to all presenters, other conference attendees and on-site personnel.

4. Members are to report any accidents, injuries or illnesses to their supervisor/officer advisor immediately.

5. If an officer or officer candidate is involved in of stealing, vandalism, or improper or disruptive behavior, disrespect, or behavior unbecoming an officer, or has knowledge without reporting it to their officer advisor, the student and his/her parents/guardians or home school will be expected to pay any and all damages, including transportation home. The local school principal or director will be notified immediately and the officer will face disciplinary action or removal from office.

6. SC HOSA officers or candidates may NOT use or have in his/her possession any alcohol or illegal drugs at any time. SC HOSA members may not purchase, consume or be under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Tobacco products are illegal for all persons under 21 years of age. Violators will be removed from their activity and office, at their parent's/guardian's or school's expense.

7. Unprofessional or controversial postings on any social media platform or not supporting the mission of SC HOSA will result in disciplinary action and may result in removal from office. Officers are required to allow SC HOSA Executive Board members to follow or friend them in social media outlets during their term.

8. When traveling or representing SC HOSA, officers or guests of the opposite sex are not allowed in the same room without an approved chaperone.

9. When traveling or representing SC HOSA Any long distance phone calls, room charges, etc., are the responsibility of the individual officer.

10. SC HOSA should be notified should a officer be suspended from school, receive ISS, OSS or have any legal trouble.

11. As a state officer or state officer candidate permission is granted to make photographs, video tapes, broadcasts, and/or sound recordings, separately or in combination, available to reproduction for educational and promotional purposes by SC HOSA.

I have read the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by the rules established for South Carolina HOSA Officers. I understand that members who disregard these rules will be subject to disciplinary action, including dismissal from office, and may be sent home at his/her own expense.

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Print Name of Student  Signature of Student

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Print Name of Parent/Guardian  Signature of Parent/Guardian

I am satisfied that the information provided on this form is accurate and approve the student named on this form to attend and participate in South Carolina HOSA activities. Additionally, I agree, as the advisor, to personally abide by this Code of Conduct.

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Signature of Local Advisor  Date