



HOSA- Future Health Professionals

SC HOSA Volunteer Travel Scholarship Application

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purpose

The purpose of this scholarship application is to enable teachers specifically at economically disadvantaged schools to apply for a grant award to receive a HOSA chapter travel scholarship. The scholarship funds can be used to attend the 2026 HOSA International Leadership Conference (ILC) in June. Each scholarship recipient will be required to explain how they will use this funding, as well as why they should be selected to receive the funding. Each scholarship recipient (teacher & students if needed) will sign up to assist SC HOSA with the state sponsored competitive events or other area of state staff and courtesy corps needs at the conference.

Recipients must submit a summary report from the 2026 HOSA International Leadership Conference by August 1, 2026 that includes:

- Overview of your and your students' overall experience
 - Include: Activities you and your students participated in, what was learned that will assist with your chapter's future HOSA success, and what ideas SC HOSA should consider implementing at SLC
 - Optional: Share any significant networking contacts made at the conference, or other significant impactful experience

grant award

Up to five (5) schools will be awarded scholarships ranging between \$1,000 - \$2,500, to support travel and hotel costs to the 2026 HOSA International Leadership Conference. All applications will be reviewed by a selection committee and the selected teachers/schools will be notified, by May 8, 2026.

who should apply

Any SC HOSA advisor at a middle school, high school, or career center identified as economically disadvantaged is eligible to apply for this grant if they are actively involved in HOSA and have previously supported HOSA at a State or International Leadership Conference.

Schools must be registered for HOSA's ILC by the May 15 deadline. **Travel funds will not be distributed until all membership and all conference (FLC, SLC, ILC) registration fees are paid in full and advisors are assigned to a South Carolina-sponsored event.**

guidelines

This completed application must not exceed two pages, not including cover page, double spaced, Arial or Times Roman Numeral, with 12-point font.

required information

Contact Information: (cover page)

- Name of HOSA Advisor
- Teacher Cell Number & Email
- Courses Taught and Years of Teaching Experience
- School Name
- Name of Principal
- Address & School Phone Number

Current Situation & Statement of Need:

Provide a statement to indicate the current situation and include the following:

- Total number of students in your school and percentage of students on free or reduced lunch
- Typical number of students interested in or currently in your local HOSA chapter
- Number of students that attended the state conference
- Describe your and your students' involvement as a State Leadership Conference volunteer
- What SC HOSA sponsored event are you signed up to assist with at ILC
- Number of students that you are taking to the ILC
- Community Service that your chapter performed this year
- Explanation of how you incorporate HOSA into the classroom
- What does this award offer to your students that would not be possible otherwise? (Attendance, Flights, Lodging, Food, etc...)
- Address how you and your students will be available to assist the state at the ILC.

follow-up requirements

Schools who receive this award should submit the following after ILC and prior to August 1, 2026:

- Summary Report as outlined above (must not exceed two pages, double spaced, with 12-point font. If summary reports are not received, grantees may not be considered for this award in future years)
- Thank you card to SCHA and SCDE for the opportunity provided through these funds
- 3-5 photos that highlight most impactful moments at ILC

application due date

Completed applications for travel scholarships to attend the 2026 HOSA International Leadership Conference are **due by April 29, 2026.**

All scholarship applications should be emailed, as an attachment, with **"ILC Travel Scholarship - your school name- your last name"** as the subject line to Anna Snipes alsnipes@ed.sc.gov. Scholarship recipients will be notified by Friday May 8, 2026.