**Membership Information**

**Types of Membership**

**Secondary Division**

* The Secondary Division shall be composed of secondary students who are or have been enrolled in a Health Science or an organized health career awareness program or are interested in, planning to pursue, or pursuing a career in the health professions.
* The official definition for secondary members of HOSA for the purposes of Competitive Events is a student who:
	+ is enrolled in a state-approved Health Science program or is planning to pursue a career in the health professions;
	+ has not received a high-school diploma (or its equivalent) prior to the state's annual conference; or
	+ has been within the continuous, sequential educational system for two or more years prior to the current year's HOSA International Leadership Conference.

**Middle School Division**

* The Middle School Division shall be composed of middle school students who are in grades 6-8 and are interested in or planning to pursue a career in the health professions.
* The official definition for middle school members of HOSA for the purposes of Competitive Events is a student who:
	+ is enrolled in a state-approved health science program or is planning to pursue a career in the health professions; and
	+ has not been promoted to a secondary institution (grades 9-12) prior to the state’s annual conference.

**Postsecondary/Collegiate Division**

* The Postsecondary/Collegiate Division shall be composed of students enrolled in Health Science programs at the postsecondary/collegiate level as specified in Article III, Section 4 in the HOSA Bylaws.
* The official definition for postsecondary members of HOSA for the purposes of Competitive Events is a student who:
	+ is enrolled in a state-approved post-secondary program or college level program;
	+ has received a high-school diploma (or its equivalent) and/or has been out of the continuous, sequential educational system prior to the current

Health Science enrollment for two or more years prior to the current year's HOSA International Leadership Conference.

* Even though adult students may be enrolled in a secondary program, they may not compete in secondary competition at the HOSA National Leadership Conference.  When students satisfy one or more of the criteria of being postsecondary/collegiate students, they are to be classified as members of the postsecondary/collegiate division of HOSA.
* The official definition for collegiate members of HOSA for the purposes of Competitive Events is a student who:
	+ is seeking a baccalaureate degree.
* *Delaware HOSA does not currently have Postsecondary/Collegiate members. If you are interested in starting a Postsecondary/Collegiate chapter, please contact Peg Enslen at* *peggy.enslen@doe.k12.de.us* *for more information.*

**Professional**

* Advisor - The person(s) responsible for advising students on health science activities that relate to HOSA. They shall pay affiliation fees, but may not vote, hold office or compete for HOSA member awards.
* Professional - (Other than HOSA Chapter Advisor) - These shall be health professionals and other adult members of the community who wish to assist and support the HOSA program of activities.  They shall pay affiliation fees, but may not vote, hold office or compete for HOSA member awards.

**Alumni**

* As specified in Article III, Section 5 in the HOSA Bylaws, the Alumni Division shall be composed of persons who have been enrolled in Health Science programs and were members of HOSA, or former members of a HOSA chapter who no longer meet the requirements of regular chapter membership. Alumni members shall pay no affiliation fees, and may not vote, make motions, hold office or compete in events.

**Honorary Members**

* As specified in Article III, Section 7 in the HOSA Bylaws, honorary members shall be persons who have made significant contributions to the development of HOSA and/or have rendered outstanding service to the organization.  Honorary membership may be conferred for life by a three-fourths vote of the Board of Directors of HOSA, Inc.  Honorary members shall have none of the obligations and all of the privileges of membership except voting, making motions, holding office and competing in events.

**Lifetime Members**

* Lifetime membership shall be available for persons who are or have been active members and who are or have participated in HOSA in a professional capacity.  Lifetime membership affiliation fees shall be $150.  Lifetime members may not vote, make motions or hold office by virtue of this membership

Lifetime members will have all privileges accorded if serving in other roles in HOSA; e.g. Delegate Assembly, HOSA, Inc. of Board of Directors.

*\*Information taken from International HOSA website.*

**Membership Dues**

| **Membership Type** | **International HOSA Dues** |
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| Middle School | $10.00 |
| Secondary | $10.00 |
| Postsecondary/Collegiate | $10.00 |
| Professional | $10.00 |
| Alumni | Free |
| Lifetime  | $150.00 |

**Affiliation Instructions**

For instructions regarding the affiliation of members, please see the Membership Affiliation Tutorial in the Chapter Management Guide.