



Missouri HOSA 2026 State Leadership Conference Recognition Event Guidelines and Deadlines

- **America's Blood Centers & HOSA Blood Drive** (Refer to the [Guidelines](#) for full details)
 - The State Leadership Conference deadline is **February 15, 2026**. Activities must be entered at <https://americasblood.org/hosa/> per the guidelines.
 - The number of recruited donors is pro-rated to a total of 50 for SLC recognition. If a chapter has exceeded the minimum of 65 recruited donors for ILC recognition, the Bronze/Silver/Gold award will be granted according to the guidelines.

Awards will be given as follows at the SLC:

- **50-64 Recruited Donors = State Recognition Certificate**
- **65-150 Recruited Donors = Bronze International Level Recognition**
- **151-249 Recruited Donors = Silver International Level Recognition**
- **250+ Recruited Donors = Gold International Level Recognition**

- **America Red Cross Chapter Recognition** (Refer to the [Guidelines](#) for full details)
 - The State Leadership Conference deadline is **February 15, 2026**. Hours must be entered and **APPROVED by local chapter advisors** in the online HOSA Activity Tracking System by midnight of the deadline date.
 - Hours are pro-rated to a total of 150 for SLC recognition. If a local chapter has exceeded the minimum of 200 hours for ILC recognition, the Bronze/Silver/Gold award will be granted according to the guidelines.

Awards will be given as follows at the SLC:

- **150.0 – 199.9 Tracked Hours = State Recognition Certificate**
- **200.0 – 249.9 Tracked Hours = Bronze National Level Recognition**
- **250.0 – 299.9 Tracked Hours = Silver National Level Recognition**
- **300+ Tracked Hours = Gold National Level Recognition**



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- **Barbara James Service Award** (Refer to the [Guidelines](#) for full details)
 - The State Leadership Conference deadline is **February 15, 2026**. Activities must be entered and **APPROVED by local chapter advisors** in the online HOSA Activity Tracking System by midnight of the deadline date.
 - Hours are pro-rated to 75 hours for SLC recognition. If a member has exceeded the 100 hours for ILC recognition, the Bronze/Silver/Gold award will be granted according to the guidelines.

Awards will be given as follows at the SLC:

 - **75.0 – 99.9 Approved Hours = State Recognition Certificate**
 - **100.0 – 174.9 Approved Hours = Bronze International Level Recognition**
 - **175.0 – 249.9 Approved Hours = Silver International Level Recognition**
 - **250.0+ Approved Hours = Gold International Level Recognition**
- **Healthcare Issues Exam** (Refer to the [Guidelines](#) for full details)
 - **All Secondary and Postsecondary/Collegiate students registered for the SLC Qualifier are eligible to take the exam but must register for this event. *Middle School students may NOT take the Healthcare Issues Exam.***
 - The chartered association test will cover information from July 1st – November 1st. Dates for ILC testing will be from November 2nd – March 15th.
 - **At the SLC, the top 5 Competitors will be recognized. The top scorer will receive special recognition and a certificate.**



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- **Health Literacy Ambassador** (Refer to the [Guidelines](#) for full details)
 - The State Leadership Conference deadline is **February 15, 2026**. Activities must be entered and **APPROVED by local chapter advisors** in the online HOSA Activity Tracking System by midnight of the deadline date.
 - For SLC recognition, members must complete Level 1 activities completely. If a member has completed BOTH Level 1 and Level 2 activities completely to receive ILC recognition, recognition will also be granted according to the guidelines.

Awards will be given as follows at the SLC:

 - **Level 1 Activities Fully Completed = State Recognition Certificate**
 - **Level 1 AND 2 Activities Fully Completed = International Level Recognition**
- **HOSA Happenings** (Refer to the [Guidelines](#) for full details)
 - The State Submission Process for this award will be an ONLINE submission. The submission must include one print copy of the selected four (4) to eight (8) 8.5 x 11 inches pages of content.
 - AND the cover page found on page 5 of these guidelines, and
 - **MUST BE RECEIVED** by the chartered association HOSA office by the published deadline, which is **5:00 pm on Monday, March 23, 2026**.
 - **Submissions that earn 80 points or higher will be recognized at the chartered association level.**
 - This event is not judged at the international level. All submissions earning a score of 80 points or higher at the chartered association level will be eligible for recognition at the HOSA International Leadership Conference. The names of those chapters who earn 80 points or higher will be submitted to HOSA—Future Health Professionals by the State Advisor.



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- **HOSA Service Project** (Refer to the [Guidelines](#) for full details)
 - **Ongoing Service Organization: NMDP**
(<https://fundraise.nmdp.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=cms.page&id=1342>)
 - Volunteer hours will be tracked by the individual members through the [NMDP Volunteer Portal](#). Remember to include your charter number when setting up your account.
 - Donations will be tracked through your [chapter team page](#).
 - Recognition will be awarded based on NMDP points earned in partnership with the organization.
 - **For State recognition, this event may include activities from June 1, 2025-February 15, 2026.** Activities must be entered in the NMDP Volunteer Portal or Chapter Team Page by **midnight on February 15, 2026.**
 - **State Certificates of Recognition** will be awarded to all chapters who contribute a **minimum of 75 points** through volunteer hours, fundraising, and adding people to the NMDP registry or pre-registry.
 - **State Certificates of Merit** will be awarded to all chapters who contribute a minimum of **375 points**

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