



International Leadership Conference (ILC) Scholarship Application

The International Leadership Conference (ILC) Scholarship is open to current Missouri HOSA members who earned FIRST PLACE or was awarded Barbara James Service Award GOLD National Level Recognition at the Missouri HOSA 2026 State Leadership Conference. The scholarship award should be used to supplement any expenses related to the HOSA 2026 ILC. Missouri HOSA newly elected 2026-2027 State Officers are **EXEMPT** from applying.

After completing the application, please attach a letter of recommendation. This letter may be from an administrator, counselor, or teacher in your school district, or from someone in your community who can attest to your leadership qualities (**EXCEPT** your HOSA Local Chapter Advisor). An unofficial transcript and current headshot must also accompany the application. Please email completed application and accompanying documentation to Rachel Fisher at rachel.fisher@dese.mo.gov by **May 15, 2026**. Awards will be announced via email to both the applicant and the Missouri HOSA Local Chapter Advisor by June 1, 2026. All Scholarship Recipients must be registered to attend the ILC.

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| Name of Applicant: | |
| Grade: | |
| Local Chapter: | |
| Local Chapter Advisor: | |
| Missouri HOSA 2026 SLC Competitive Event or BJS: | |
| Home Address: | |
| Cell Phone: | Home Phone: |
| Email: | School Website: |

Academic Achievements

Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (unweighted)

Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent **unofficial** school transcript required.

List all STEM/PLTW/CTE/Math & Science coursework taken and the grade received in each class:

HOSA Achievements

AWARDS: Please list any local, state, or international awards/honors you have received as a HOSA Member.

HOSA COMPETITIVE EVENT OR BJS AWARD: Please explain why you chose the competitive event in which you earned first place at the Missouri HOSA State Leadership Conference or discuss your desire to earn service hours within your community. Please limit total response to 2,000 characters.

Other Achievements

SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Please list school extra-curricular activities in which you have participated (may include, but not limited to sports, CTSOs/clubs, Choir, and/or drama/debate). Note any leadership roles you have held and applicable dates.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS: Please list community organizations such as service, volunteer and religious organizations in which you are now active or have previously participated. Note any leadership roles you have held and applicable dates.

RECOGNITIONS: Please list important awards and recognitions received. Note organizations presenting honor and applicable dates.

EMPLOYMENT: Please provide a brief history of your employment (Start with current position). Note job responsibilities and applicable dates.

Short Answer

Answer the following questions to the best of your ability. Please limit total response to 2,000 characters.

What excites you the most about attending the HOSA 2026 International Leadership Conference (ILC)?

What have you learned from your competitive event or through earning service hours?

Other Information

AREA OF STUDY: What do you want to study after high school and why? Please limit total response to 2,000 characters.

GOALS: What are the short- and long-term goals for your future? Please limit total response to 2,000 characters.

LEADERSHIP: How has your membership in HOSA strengthened your individual leadership? Please limit total response to 2,000 characters.

NEED: Please explain your need for the Missouri HOSA International Leadership Conference Scholarship. Please limit total response to 2,000 characters.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY AND ASSURANCE:

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me to the International Leadership Conference (ILC) Scholarship Committee is true, correct and without forgery. I also consent that my photo may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote Missouri HOSA-Future Health Professionals. If chosen as a recipient of the ILC Scholarship Award, I plan on attending the HOSA 2026 International Leadership Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana and competing onsite or being recognized on stage for the Barbara James Service Award. I am aware that proof of ILC registration will be verified by the Missouri HOSA State Advisor. If I am unable to attend, I will return the full amount of the ILC Scholarship awarded to me by June 30, 2026, to Missouri HOSA.

I have included a letter of recommendation, an unofficial transcript, and a current headshot to accompany this application. I am aware that this scholarship is worth a total of \$500.00, paid in a one-time check to the recipient with intent to assist with HOSA 2026 International Leadership Conference expenses.

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| _____ Signature of Scholarship Applicant | _____ Printed Name | _____ Date |
| _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian | _____ Printed Name | _____ Date |
| _____ Signature of Chapter Advisor | _____ Printed Name | _____ Date |
| _____ Signature of Career Center Director/Principal | _____ Printed Name | _____ Date |