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### Types of Membership

#### **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 middle school student is one who: a) is enrolled in a state-approved health science program or is planning to pursue a career in the health professions; and b) has not been promoted to a secondary institution (grades 9-12) prior to the state's annual conference.

#### **Secondary Division**

The official definition for secondary members of HOSA for the purposes of Competitive Events is:

A secondary student is one who, a) is enrolled in a state-approved Health Science program or is planning to pursue a career in the health professions; b) has not received a high-school diploma (or its equivalent) prior to the state's annual conference; or c) has been within the continuous, sequential educational system for two or more years prior to the current year's HOSA National Leadership 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 postsecondary student is one who (a) is enrolled in a state-approved post-secondary program or college level program; (b) 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 National 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 member of HOSA for the purposes of Competitive Events is: A collegiate student is one who is seeking a baccalaureate degree.



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## 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.

*\*Information taken from the National HOSA website.*

## Membership Dues

Membership Type	Georgia HOSA Dues	National HOSA Dues
Middle School	\$10.00	\$10.00
Secondary	\$10.00	\$10.00
Postsecondary/Collegiate	\$10.00	\$10.00
Professional/Advisor	\$10.00	\$10.00
Alumni	Free	Free

## Chapter Dues

Georgia HOSA recommends that local chapters also include local membership dues to keep funds at the local level. We recommend \$5-\$10 for local dues.

## Where to Send Dues

All dues for Georgia HOSA and National HOSA (with the exception of local dues), should be mailed to National HOSA (548 Silicon Drive, Suite 101, Southlake, TX 76092).

## Affiliation Instructions

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