# BECOMING A STATE OFFICER

Q WHAT TO EXPECT IF APPLYING

## Officer Commitments

- All officers must be a reflection of NJ HOSA and its diverse membership both in and out of uniform
- Required meeting attendance\*:
  - Monthly Executive Council Meetings
    - Typically on the first Friday of the month
    - The school should excuse the students and provide transportation
  - Additional required meetings are often held near conferences to prepare (virtual)
  - One-on-one or committee specific zoom meetings may also occur when necessary
- Officers attend and/or lead a total of 6 conferences\*:
  - Washington Leadership Academy September (attend)
  - Fall Leadership Conference October (lead)
  - Northern Regional Conference January (lead)
  - Southern Regional Conference Late January/Early February (lead)
  - State Leadership Conference March (lead)
  - International Leadership Conference June (attend)



# PRESIDENT

- ★ Responsibilities:
  - Organize and lead monthly meetings
    - Create monthly agendas
  - Delegate tasks and oversee all committees
  - Serve as a primary contact point between advisors and council
  - Provide guidance and direct council activities
    - Hold one-on-one meetings throughout the year
- ★ May involve themself in all of the committees as needed by committee heads
- ★ Tips:
  - Actively consult all other council members
  - Create distinct channels of communication
  - Be willing to learn from every task, no matter how small

## PRESIDENT-ELECT

MUST APPLY AS A SOPHOMORE OR FRESHMAN



- ★ Help with planning and successfully executing...
  - Fall Leadership Conference (FLC)
  - Southern Regional Conference (SRC)
  - Northern Regional Conference (NRC)
  - State Leadership Conference (SLC)
- ★ Assist the President
  - You will be trained by the President and staff for your term as the President
- ★ Serve on an **executive committee** based on interests & skill
- ★ Tips:
  - o Be observant and willing to learn
  - Explore your leadership style
  - Find how you are most effective and can work with the team
  - o Be proactive!

## NORTHERN REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT



## \* Responsibilities

- Facilitating **open communication** within the Northern region
- Keeping the president and executive council aware of HOSA activities within the Northern region
- Provide assistance to local HOSA chapters in the state and act as the bridge between members and the state office

#### **★** Committees

Member Engagement Committee - bring the two regions together for chapter development & engagement

## **★** Tips

- Do your research! See which schools or organizations you can introduce NJ HOSA to and brainstorm ideas for ways to connect the two.
- Establish a connection with the SRVP & PS/C VP! You will be working very closely with them to develop the Northern, Southern, and Postsecondary/Collegiate sectors of NJ HOSA!
- Always maintain communication with members! Utilize your creativity to keep them engaged!

### SOUTHERN REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT



- \* Responsibilities:
  - Maintaining communications between the local members in Southern Region and the SEC
  - Gather and work to implement feedback from members
- ★ Committees:
  - Member Engagement Committee bring the two regions together for chapter development & engagement
- ★ Tips:
  - Put yourself in the shoes of the membership to understand and meet their needs
  - Be willing to work with the NRVP to maintain unity between the two regions
  - Coordinate with the PSCVP to unite the secondary and post-secondary members
  - Don't be afraid to explore and make the position your own!

# SECRETARY



## Responsibilities

- Take **minutes** (written summary of meeting) on Executive Board Meetings
  - Organize relevant HOSA data into clear sections
  - Edit minutes during the revision portion of meetings for best accuracy
- Serve on an executive committee based on interest & skills
- Coordinate communication through emails and create social media posts for special events



#### Tips

- Make sure to be punctual in terms of submitting meeting minutes
  - Feel free to record meeting to go back and listen again
- Do not be afraid to branch out from what the stereotypical secretary role may seem like
- Each secretary has their own style of minutes, have fun finding yours!
  - Make sure that everything stays clear and concise

## PARLIAMENTARIAN



#### \* Responsibilities:

- Keeping meetings on time + on task
- Revising bylaws annually, typically voted on at FLC
- Facilitating proper use of parli pro during meetings
- Having RONR on hand if issues of parli pro arise
- ★ Serves on an Executive Committee based on your interest & skills

### ★ Tips:

- Know Robert's Rules of Order well enough to guide proper wording and ensure procedures for motions are facilitated correctly
- Familiarize yourself with the bylaws and have them on hand for quick reference
- Recognize that job title only makes up a small portion of your service to HOSA

# **HISTORIAN**

## ★ Responsibilities

- Prepare a state newsletter for local members three times a year (fall, winter, and spring/summer)
- Take pictures and videos of events throughout the year to engage on social media
- Keep records of news and important events to be used for the newsletter or other publications
- Assist or lead the video editing/production

## ★ Committees

Serve on an executive committee based on interests & skill

## **★** Tips

- Don't be afraid to get creative!
- Familiarize yourself with basic editing skills and software
  - Canva, iMovie, Final Cut Pro or Adobe Premiere Pro/Rush
- Get involved with different activities and projects
  - You can always do more than your set responsibilities

## MEMBER-AT-LARGE



- \* Responsibilities:
  - o Facilitate communication between the council and the general membership
  - Gather and work to implement feedback from members
  - Coordinate conference socials that drive member participation
  - Assist the advisors with the Chapter-at-Large initiative
- ★ Committees:
  - Serve on an executive committee based on interests & skill
- ★ Tips:
  - Put yourself in the shoes of the membership to understand and meet their needs
  - Don't be afraid to put yourself out there! Be social and make the members feel involved!
  - Don't be limited by your position! You can always think of new ideas or help others out

# POSTSECONDARY/COLLEGIATE VICE PRESIDENT

- \* Responsibilities:
  - Represent the interests of all postsecondary/collegiate NJ HOSA members
  - o Increase PS/C membership, engagement, and communication
  - Develop partnerships and gather career-focused opportunities for members
  - Connect with NJ HOSA alumni members
  - Serve on an executive committee based on interests & skill
- ★ Tips:
  - **Be realistic**. Turn long-term goals into actionable items. Don't be afraid to start an initiative for future teams to build on.
  - Rely on your team. Together you can overcome any obstacle that comes your way, and believe me you'll definitely be facing them.
  - Your time is limited. You truly have the chance to exert an impact. Enjoy it.
     Make the most of it.

# **THANK YOU**

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU APPLY!

Q EMAIL US WITH ANY QUESTIONS!