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This year's State Leadership Conference (SLC) was an unforgettable weekend of creativity, passion, and connection. Held on March 23rd-24th, we welcomed our members to the largest state conference in NJ HOSA history! From start to finish, the conference never failed to bring the hype. As secondary and postsecondary/collegiate students competed in 37 competitive events, our members came out of SLC with medals, lessons, and bonds.

When not competing, members were able to visit the various vendors throughout the conference site, including NAMI NJ, RWJ Blood Services, NMDP, NJSRC, and Right Response, while collecting memorable goodies from each table! Members were also able to network with the State Officer Candidates at their campaign tables after having heard their speeches during the Opening Session. Furthermore, we all Dared to Create friendship bracelets throughout the conference while learning about NJ HOSA's opportunities! Our friendship bracelet-making stand received exciting support, as we all gathered around to create tokens of bond for family, advisors, and fellow members.

To add to the fun, current International Executive Council members & former NJ HOSA State Officers, Deepa Subramanya and Ahdaf Zaman, came back to NJ to host a workshop and help throughout the day. We even had the opportunity to hear from Mr. Allyn Brooks-LaSure, the Vice President of Communications at the RWJ Foundation, who was an NJ HOSA alumnus himself! On top of all this, with our very first NJ HOSA Talent Show, members were able to show off their singing and dancing skills on the big stage.

All in all, each and every member discovered their "why" at the conference. As we waved goodbye to our previous NJ HOSA State Officers and our beloved State Officer Coach, we welcomed our newly elected 2024-2025 State Officers. From the bottom of our heart, we thank all of those who worked to make this conference possible, and of course, the voting delegates who confidently elected our new line of officers.

Let's keep the hype going in the years to come!









EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

CPR/First Aid

- 1st Place Correira; Miller (UCVTS)
- 2nd Place Bradley; Chen (GCIT)
- 3rd Place Patel; Puerta (ACIT)
- 4th Place Boudib; Shah (HCST County Prep)
- 5th Place Ahmed; Mylnarsky (Freehold HS)

EMT

- 1st Place Fellman; Gadekar (MCST)
- 2nd Place Ramteke; Sharma (South Brunswick HS)
- 3rd Place Raymundo; Toal (GCIT)
- 4th Place Bruce; Raouf (UC AAHS)
- 5th Place Hendi; Seethakun (Montville Twp HS)

Mental Health Promotion

- 1st Place Akunna; Bradford; Cabrera; Caldara; Davidson; Ngumah (UCVTS)
- 2nd Place Banerjee; Bhatnagar; Isloor; Sudhakar (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Krishnamoorthi; Sharma; Singh (WWP HS- South)
- 4th Place Duric; Obaid; Patel (MCST)
- 5th Place Kaur; Pendgaonkar (MCTS)







HEALTH SCIENCE - SECONDARY

Behavioral Health

- 1st Place Arnav Barkataki (Freehold HS)
- 2nd Place Sharvari Deshpande (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Saketh Karri (MCST)
- 4th Place Claire Su (Paramus)
- 5th Place Visruth Batchu (Monmouth Co Academy)

Dental Terminology

- 1st Place Aditya Vij (Bergen Co Academies)
- 2nd Place Rishi Mittal (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Ishaan Anand (Middlesex)
- 4th Place Ananya Katta (Middlesex)
- 5th Place Renee Aponesto (Middlesex - Piscataway)

Medical Law and Ethics

- 1st Place Rachana Senthil (Middlesex)
- 2nd Place Sneh Shah (UCVTS)
- 3rd Place Cindy Lleras (UCVTS)
- 4th Place Lillian Hoang (UCVTS)
- 5th Place Jack Kotran (GCIT)

Cultural Disparities & Diversities

- 1st Place Katherine Mi (Ridge HS)
- 2nd Place Tiana Mayaen (Monmouth Co Academy)
- 3rd Place Foysal Sorwal (UCVTS)
- 4th Place Tara McHale (Monmouth Co Academy)
- 5th Place Rachael Thai (Monmouth Co Academy)

Human Growth and Development

- 1st Place Anu Chidambaram (Hopewell Valley)
- 2nd Place Zaid Mohammed (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Ellie Liu (UCVTS)
- 4th Place Pooja Challi (WWPHS)
- 5th Place Anaya Sinha (Parsipanny HS)

Medical Math

- 1st Place Lithra Sankari (Parsipanny HS)
- 2nd Place Julia Stevens (Monmouth Co Academy)
- 3rd Place Nancy Wang (Hopewell Valley)
- 4th Place Dana Talfliovich (Bergen Co Academies)
- 5th Place Hana Ighneim (PCTI)





HEALTH SCIENCE - SECONDARY

Medical Reading

- 1st Place Shravani Gote (WWPHS - South)
- 2nd Place Gene Pak (Bergen Co Academy)
- 3rd Place Nira Patel (Paramus)
- 4th Place Jack Ammirato (PCTVS)
- 5th Place Madison Abele (CCTEC)

Medical Terminology

- 1st Place Nitin Balajkannan (Middlesex)
- 2nd Place Jack Shannon (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Sia Dewani (Pequannock HS)
- 4th Place Aditya Kapadia (MCST)
- 5th Place Joseph Koyfman (Hunterdon Biomed)

Pathophysiology

- 1st Place Sanjay Kesavan (MCST)
- 2nd Place Luke Kocherry (MCST)
- 3rd Place Sucheta Pansare (MCST)
- 4th Place Bhavesh Manne (Middlesex)
- 5th Place Siddharth Rajakumar (Monmouth Co Academies)

Medical Spelling

- 1st Place Shakthi Anand (Middlesex)
- 2nd Place Timothy Terrado (UCVTS)
- 3rd Place Joanna Zhang (HCST)
- 4th Place Rishi Parikh (Monmouth Co Academy)
- 5th Place Mahi Mahitcha (J.P. Stevens)

Nutrition

- 1st Place Arushi Bhattacharya (Middlesex)
- 2nd Place Fenny Kayastha (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Nicolas Klisiewicz (MCST)
- 4th Place Nidhi Rajput (Middlesex)
- 5th Place Aaryan Mansuri (J.P. Stevens)

Pharmacology

- 1st Place Sachin Aravind (Middlesex)
- 2nd Place Sara Manjalay (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Nevin Roy (Bergen Co Academies)
- 4th Place Alana Snock (Monmouth Co Academies)
- 5th Place Aryan Patel (MCST)





HEALTH PROFESSIONS - SECONDARY

Dental Science

- 1st Place Valerie Hernandez (PCVTS)
- 2nd Place Julie Chua (Livingston HS)
- 3rd Place Sanika Oak (J.P. Stevens)
- 4th Place Emily Coutinho (BCIT-Westampton)
- 5th Place Juhi Vora (TEECS)

Medical Assisting

- 1st Place Arisdelsi Acevedo (CCTEC)
- 2nd Place Mythri Iyer (Montville HS)
- 3rd Place Nikhita
 Kamarajugadda (Middlesex)
- 4th Place Lucy Soukup (MCST)
- 5th Place Ishanvi Desai (Middlesex)

Home Health Aide

- 1st Place Simone Blanding (CCTEC)
- 2nd Place Carleigh Salazar (MCST)
- 3rd Place Jazmine Quintero (MCST)
- 4th Place Gianna Plasencia (Tinton Falls)
- 5th Place Devang Jain (Middlesex)

Nursing Assisting

- 1st Place Vanessa Lopez (Monmouth Co Academy)
- 2nd Place Aditi Mukundhan (MCST)
- 3rd Place Tiziana Maldonado (Sussex Co Tech Ed)
- 4th Place Emily Gonzalez (CCTEC)
- 5th Place Kisha Kumar (BCIT Westampton)

Sports Medicine

- 1st Place Nicolette Bootnik (Marlboro HS)
- 2nd Place Micaela Beltran (UCVTS)
- 3rd Place Catherine Lam (CCTEC)
- 4th Place Natalee Dragotta (CCTEC)
- 5th Place Kathryn Calabrese (Ocean Township HS)





LEADERSHIP - SECONDARY

Extemporaneous Writing

- 1st Place Claire Sim (Bergen Co Academies)
- 2nd Place Anushka Dalal (WWPHS - South)
- 3rd Place Isabella Zelaya Alves (Bergen Co Academies)
- 4th Place Benjamin Johnston (MCST)
- 5th Place Kamila Dessus (HCST)

Health Living

- 1st Place Adithi Santhoshkumar (Middlesex)
- 2nd Place Rulan Elhadary (Bergen Co Academies)
- 3rd Place Yahvi Rateshwar (Bergen Co Academies)
- 4th Place Jannat Sharma (MCST)
- 5th Place Saranyu Vejju (Monroe HS)

Prepared Speaking

- 1st Place Shannon Cassidy (Indian Hills HS)
- 2nd Place Fatima Cheema (HCST)
- 3rd Place AJ Gray (MCTS)
- 4th Place Maanav Dhruv (WWPHS - North)
- 5th Place Deepesh Chinta (J.P. Stevens)

Health Career Photography

- 1st Place Irene Ren (MCST)
- 2nd Place Youanna Adly (HCST)
- 3rd Place Lauren You (Bergen Co Academies)
- 4th Place Rhea Menon (MCST)
- 5th Place Saanvi Muthuchetty (Middlesex)

Job Seeking Skills

- 1st Place Sophia Reynoso (Indian Hills HS)
- 2nd Place Alex Gao (HCST)
- 3rd Place Jaileen Viera (Union City HS)
- 4th Place Tansuri Kumar (WWPHS - South)
- 5th Place Keegan Healy (UCVTS)

Researched Persuasive Writing & Speaking

- 1st Place Desiree Okonkwo (HCST)
- 2nd Place Arianna Maini (Freehold HS)
- 3rd Place Alexander Campo (Bergen Co Academies)
- 4th Place Ava Morrison (UCVTS)
- 5th Place Vasilisa Kluchareva (HCST)





Biomedical Debate

- 1st Place Vetter; Brahmbhatt; Bhattacharya (MCST)
- 2nd Place Chun; Huo; Min; Seo (Bergen Co Academies)
- 3rd Place Bhangale; Kambhampati; Laddha; Purohit (South Brunswick HS)
- 4th Place Israni; Kotte; Laddha; Kambhampati (South Brunswick HS)
- 5th Place Mittal; Park; Ruan; Yong (UCVTS)

Health Career Display

- 1st Place Vijayshankar; Anem (South Brunswick HS)
- 2nd Place Modi; Sripada (HCST)
- 3rd Place Parekh; Susino (Indian Hills HS)
- 4th Place Ponna; Shenoy (WWPHS)
- 5th Place Dehlavi; Khan (Monmouth Co Academy)

Health Education

- 1st Place Hsu; Kang; Lil; Patel; Shukla; Toake (Bergen Co Academies)
- 2nd Place Ibrahim; Kestenbaum; Yu (Livingston HS)
- 3rd Place Bankupalli; Bankupalli; Chauhine; Conover; Nandal; Zainab (Middlesex-Piscataway)
- 4th Place Brigilin Stanley; Gandhi; Gandhi; Ibrahim; Joseph; Shah (Monroe HS)
- 5th Place Bharanidharan; Gharse; Maurya; Murali; Patel; Prakashkumar (Middlesex)

HOSA Bowl

- 1st Place Dhar; Kawle; Santhosh; Subbiah (UCVTS)
- 2nd Place Haque; Lad; Nair; Patel (UCVTS)
- 3rd Place Cammon; Dranow; Mahalingam; Sunkara (MCST)
- 4th Place Corbishley; Klaus; Oguama; Suarez (Union Co Allied Health)
- 5th Place Chen; Diaz Quintero; Go; Suarez (Englewood)





TEAMWORK - SECONDARY

Medical Innovations

- 1st Place Neuro
- 2nd Place Parkinsync
- 3rd Place Oxiventor (Montville HS)
- 4th Place Artificial Calcitonin
- 5th Place EZ IV

Parliamentary Procedure

- 1st Place Gandhi; Patel; Krishnan; Naralasetti; Sahin; Vadaliya (MCST)
- 2nd Place Chowdhury; Gadkari; Krishnamurthy; Lopes; Murugesan; Pyati; Siddiqui; Swaminathan (South Brunswick HS)
- 3rd Place Chung; Kim; Kim; Kim; Moon; Park; Tran; Zorgun (Bergen Co Academies)
- 4th Place Deshpande; Doshi; Gireesh; Kolisetty; Liu; Mohan (WWPHS - North)
- 5th Place Ankenapallo; Bano; Mahesh Vidya; Patel; Patel; Patel (Piscataway HS)

Public Service Announcement

- 1st Place Klein; Laviane; Naidu; Nayak; Scherr; Teytel (Livingston HS)
- 2nd Place Ahmed; Chembeti; Kandra; Lakshmanan; Raj; Rajamuthiah (Middlesex)
- 3rd Place Adbelrahem; Elkhakeen; Esmaeel; Shatlh (HCST)
- 4th Place Jabaly; LaMonica; Sabino; Zeltser (Indian Hills HS)
- 5th Place Anandan; Chertog; Fay; Gonzalez; Trivedi (Monmouth Co Academy)





RECOGNITION

Barbara James

- <u>Gold</u> Ariana Gandhi (PCVTS); Micaela Beltran (UCVTS); Keegan Healy (UCVTS); Nore Cumiskey (UCVTS); Michael Royzman (UCVTS)
- <u>Silver</u> Anika Metla (Freehold HS); Ronald Mylnarsky (Freehold HS); Priya Modi (HCST); Joshitha Sripada (HCST); Alex Gao (HCST); Suhani Parekh (Indian Hills HS); Anika Bukkapatnam (Middlesex); Preeti Airen (Middlesex); Viea Karthikeyan (Middlesex); Ishaan Tangirala; Sucheta Pansare (MCST)
- <u>Bronze</u> James Sabino (Indian Hills HS); Isabella Susino (Indian Hills HS); Sayuri Shree (Freehold HS): Shakthi Anand (Middlesex);
 Dhanshri Balamurugan (Middlesex); Sumati Gurram (Middlesex);
 Vivan Majumdar (Middlesex); Ruhi Patel (Middlesex); Dhea
 Pringgosusanto (Middlesex); Jennessa Raval (Middlesex); Adithi
 Santhoshkumar (Middlesex); Nicolas Klisiewicz (MCST); Isobel Bruce (UCVTS); Sofia Raof (UCVTS); Chloe Yu (UCVTS); Owen Yu (UCVTS)

HOSA Happenings

- 1st Place Raj Shah (HCST County Prep)
- 2nd Place Alexis Rosario (Union City HS)
- 3rd Place Vedant Cherukupalli (Montgomery HS)
- 4th Place Zareen Admani & Vidath Diyabalanage (Indian Hills HS)
- 5th Place Angelica Martinez (Central HS)

HOSA Service Project

- 1st Place Gabriela Banchon (Union City HS)
- 2nd Place Tirth Patel (Piscataway HS)

Outstanding HOSA Chapter

1st Place - Tirth Patel (Piscataway HS)

Chapter Standards of Excellence - Secondary

 1st Place - Union County Vocational Technical Schools





ALL POSTSECONDARY/COLLEGIATE EVENTS

Behavioral Health

• 1st Place - Arosheny Puvanenthirarajah (Princeton)

Biomedical Debate

• 1st Place - Barkley; Korzan; Yang (Princeton)

Cultural Disparities & Diversities

- 1st Place Julia Felice (Princeton)
- 2nd Place Laura Sabrosa (Princeton)

Dental Terminology

• 1st Place - Jacqueline Miranda-Sanchez (Ocean Co Vocational)

Health Career Display

1st Place - Lappay; Mochizuki Barros (Princeton)

• 2nd Place - Amjad; Sufian (Rutgers)

Home Health Aide

1st Place - Jamil Fayad (Princeton)

Human Growth and Development

• 1st Place - Hrithika Shah (NJIT)

Medical Assisting

- 1st Place Nour Shalash (Montclair State)
- 2nd Place Ja'nae Gordon (Princeton)
- 3rd Place Kenya Grande (OCVTS)
- 4th Place Alexandra Toro (OCVTS)

Medical Math

- 1st Place Nicole Pilch (Rutgers)
- 2nd Place Vyas Pujari (Princeton)
- 3rd Place Romina Farzaneh (Princeton)
- 4th Place Mukund Maurya (NJIT)
- 5th Place Om Patil (Rutgers)







ALL POSTSECONDARY/COLLEGIATE EVENTS

Medical Reading

• 1st Place - Dev Doshi (NJIT)

Medical Spelling

- 1st Place Athena Apaga (Princeton)
- 2nd Place Elijah Austin (Montclair State)

Medical Terminology

- 1st Place Aavi Gupta (Princeton)
- 2nd Place Jacqueline Kim (Rutgers)
- 3rd Place Mehjabin Begum (Montclair State)
- 4th Place Aashna Pandey (Princeton)
- 5th Place Nishant Ahmed (Rutgers)

Nursing Assisting

• 1st Place - Albiona Gashi (Rutgers)

Nutrition

• 1st Place - Ishaakannan Rajeshkannan (NJIT)

Pathophysiology

- 1st Place Siddharth Ghosh Roy (Rutgers)
- 2nd Place Bhumika Shori (Princeton)
- 3rd Place Sara Cui (Princeton)

Pharmacology

- 1st Place Kiran Sunkara (Rutgers)
- 2nd Place Colby McArthur (Princeton)

Prepared Speaking

• 1st Place - Nayeli Marlmol (Rutgers)

Public Service Announcement

1st Place - Babikier; Elkayal; Khan (Princeton)



Chapter Standards of Excellence - PS/C

1st Place -Montclair State University





From the roaring music that you could feel vibrating through your bones to the infectious passion for healthcare that encompassed the 12,000+ attendees at the 2024 HOSA-FHP International Leadership Conference, there is no denying that NJ HOSA had a blast at this year's ILC.

NJ HOSA's trip to Houston, TX was an incredible experience filled with exciting memories that were made and all-around achievement for the mighty state of New Jersey! Some highlights include our members connecting with HOSA friends from around the world, participating in pin-trading with other chartered associations, and dancing on stage with the keynote speaker, Dr. Rayne Rouce, at Opening Session!

NJ HOSA was also proudly represented on the 2023-2024 International Executive Council by Deepa Subramanya, the Secondary Board Representative, and Ahdaf Zaman, the Eastern Region Vice President, as they hosted the conference on the international stage, led workshops, and managed the election of the next year's IEC. Having served as NJ HOSA state officers last year, these two also had the honor of awarding the HOSA Hall of Fame to Shawnee Chaudhury during the Opening Session. Shawnee received this recognition for her longstanding passion and incredible work as the beloved NJ HOSA state officer coach and special projects/marketing consultant, and her service to NJ HOSA and HOSA-FHP will never be forgotten.

As we entered the Recognition and Grand Awards sessions, NJ HOSA members excelled in several service events and competitive events, showcasing the hard work and dedication that they had put in throughout the year. We are especially proud to celebrate our Member-At-Large, Bhavesh Manne, who was elected as the Eastern Region Vice President to serve on the 2024-25 International Executive Council, reflecting his servant leadership and commitment to HOSA's mission. We are so excited to see him lead HOSA in the coming year, and cannot wait to cheer him on during his term!

Overall, the conference was a whirlwind of inspiration and triumph, and our members returned home eager to continue their journey in leadership, service, and healthcare. Here's to another successful year for NJ HOSA!





_ ILC Secondary Winners

7th Place in Biomedical Debate: South Brunswick High School

• Bhangale; Purohit; Laddha; Kambhampati

9th Place in Biomedical Debate: Bergen County Academies

• El-Sherbiny; Min; Huo; Chun

7th Place in CPR/First Aid: Gloucester County Institute of Technology

• Chen; Bradley

2nd Place in Dental Science: Valerie Aleena Hernandez

6th Place in Dental Terminology: Ishaan Anand **9th Place in Dental Terminology:** Rishi Mittal

4th Place in Health Career Display: HCST - County Prep

• Sripada; Modi

2nd Place in Health Education: Middlesex County Magnet School Piscataway

• Nandal; Aponesto; Bankupalli; Chahine; Conover; Bankupalli

6th Place in Healthy Living: Rulan Elhadary

7th Place in Healthy Living: Yashvi Rateshwar

7th Place in Home Health Aide: Carleigh Salazar

9th Place in Home Health Aide: Jazmine Quintero

2nd Place in HOSA Bowl: Union

County Vocational Schools

• Kawle; Dhar; Subbiah; Oguama





ILC Secondary Winners

2nd Place in Human Growth and Development: Anu Chidambaram

2nd Place in Job Seeking Skills: Jaileen Viera

4th Place in Job Seeking Skills: Sophia Reynoso

7th Place in Medical Assisting: Arisdelsi Acevedo

4th Place in Medical Law and Ethics: Maria Claudia Ramirez Aleman

5th Place in Medical Reading: Gene Pak

8th Place in Nursing Assisting: Aditi Mukundhan

9th Place in Nursing Assisting: Tiziana Maldonado

8th Place in Nutrition: Nicolas Klisiewicz

10th Place in Parliamentary Procedure: Bergen County Academies

• Tran; Kim; Chung; Zorgun; Park; Kim

1st Place in Pathophysiology: Sanjay Kesavan

10th Place in Pathophysiology: Luke Kocherry

2nd Place in Pharmacology: Sachin Aravind

8th Place in Prepared Speaking: Shivali Pandya

8th Place in Public Service Announcement: Middlesex County

Magnet Schools

Raj; Lakshmanan; Kandra; Rajamuthiah; Ahmed

1st Place in Sports Medicine: Nicolette Bootnik



ILC PS/CWinners

1st Place in Health Career Display: Rutgers University

• Sufian; Amjad

6th Place in Medical Math: Nicole Pilch

10th Place in Medical Terminology: Jacqueline Kim

1st Place in Nursing Assisting: Albiona Gashi

1st Place in Pathophysiology: Siddharth Ghosh Roy

1st Place in Pharmacology: Kiran Sunkara

6th Place in Prepared Speaking: Nayeli Marmol





Farewells

With our past State Executive Council's term having come to an end at the conclusion of the 2024 International Leadership Conference, we'd like to take a moment to thank you all for the opportunity to serve you this past year. From engaging with you through humorous leadership workshops to bubbly conversations with many of you in the hallways to even dancing together on the stage, the memories we've made with you through this year's conferences and beyond are forever. It has been an incredible journey filled with growth, learning, and unforgettable experiences and we would relive every second if we could. As we pass the torch to the 2024-2025 team, we are confident that they will continue to lead NJ HOSA to new heights. Though we are saddened to see this chapter close, we are equally enthused to cheer NJ HOSA from afar into the new year as we all part our own ways. Thank you for making this year truly remarkable and we hope to see many of you continue to stay involved with NJ HOSA through the years!



