



DRESS CODE FOR NJ HOSA REGIONAL AND STATE CONFERENCES

For the NJHOSA Regional and State conferences, there are three categories of proper attire:

- 1. Official HOSA Uniform**
- 2. Business Attire**
- 3. Scrubs (ONLY if this attire is required by member's Competitive Event).**

The dress code for NJHOSA Conferences will adhere to National HOSA guidelines. Therefore, National HOSA guidelines and definitions have been provided below.

THE OFFICIAL HOSA UNIFORM POLICY IS:

1. Blazers for members - Males and Females. A tailored navy blazer with emblem affixed over the heart.
2. Shirt/blouse for female members. A white tailored blouse is acceptable.
3. Shirt for male members. A white closed-neck, man-tailored dress shirt, suitable for use with a tie.
4. Accent for female members. The maroon HOSA scarf no longer is a required part of the official uniform for females. However, maroon accent is optional as a scarf or bow tie.
5. Accent for male members. A solid navy or maroon man-tailored long tie.
6. The official HOSA member or advisor pin is centered on the left lapel of the jacket.
7. Matching navy or white slacks for males, and slacks or skirts for females. (Jeans and denim skirts are not considered appropriate.)
8. Footwear appropriate to the overall appearance of the uniform in navy, black, or white, should be consistent among the particular group.

BUSINESS ATTIRE

Females -- Business suit, tailored dress or blazer and skirt/slacks with tailored blouse.

Males -- Business suit or sport coat and slacks with dress shirt and tie.

CLARIFICATION OF "PROPER BUSINESS ATTIRE"

Proper Business Attire has nothing to do with the brand labels in your clothes, beauty, good looks, or sex appeal. Simple, common sense will tell you how to dress for your events. You are what you wear. Avoid trendy fashions. A simple, tailored look is best. Remember that you are dressing to appeal to the judge, not for your date or peers. Dress to impress! When in doubt, wear something else!

Please know if any NJHOSA member chooses to change into comfortable attire, they **MUST** change into proper attire for the award ceremonies. If any HOSA member is not dressed accordingly, he/she will not be permitted on stage should he/she place in a competitive event.