

Standard is defined as “a level of quality or attainment”. South Dakota HOSA strongly believes that standards are a must when competing for awards and recognition. In order to maintain a solid standard, the South Dakota HOSA-Future Health Professional Board of Directors has agreed to assessment standards for the competitive events program.

In order for competitors to qualify for a medal and an opportunity to compete at HOSA’s International Leadership Conference, standards have been established. Only the TOP 3 competitors in those events who have met the standard will be called to the stage during the Awards Ceremony at the 2017 SD HOSA State Leadership Conference. All those called to the stage will qualify for the International Leadership Conference.

At the 2017 HOSA State Leadership Conference, the qualifications to medal are as follows:

1. If the event is a testing only event, and they finish in the TOP 3, the score must meet the standard deviation (+/-3), of the previous International Leadership Conference mean score. (Standard Deviation MEDICAL MATH at 2016 ILC: 48%)
 - a. Example: MEDICAL MATH-If a competitor scores a 45% and finishes in the TOP 3, this competitor would medal and qualify for the ILC.
2. If the event is a project-based, or presentation-based event without a Round 1 test component, the competitor(s) must score a 70% or greater on the rubric.
 - a. Example: PUBLIC HEALTH-If a team scores 70%(39/55) or greater on the rubric and finishes in the TOP 3, this team would medal and qualify for the ILC.
3. If the event involves a Round 1 test, followed by a Round 2 component, TWO minimum requirements MUST be met by the competitor. The competitor must meet the minimum standard deviation (+/-3) of the previous International Leadership Conference mean score on the Round 1 test AND must score a 70% or greater on the Round 2 skill portion to qualify for the ILC. (Standard Deviation of NURSING ASSISTING Round 1 Test at 2016 ILC: 48%)
 - a. Example 1: NURSING ASSISTING-If a competitor scores 21/50 on the Round 1 test and a 65% on Round 2, and finishes in the TOP 3, the competitor fails to medal and does not qualify for the ILC. (They didn’t meet the standard for Round 1 or Round 2)
 - b. Example 2: NURSING ASSISTING-If a competitor scores 21/50 on the Round 1 test and a 75% on Round 2, and finishes in the TOP 3, the competitor fails to medal and does not qualify for the ILC. (They didn’t meet the standard for the Round 1)
 - c. Example 3: NURSING ASSISTING-If a competitor scores a 28/50 on the Round 1 test and a 68% on Round 2, and finishes in the TOP 3, the competitor fails to medal and does not qualify for the ILC. (They didn’t meet the standard for the Round 2)
 - d. Example 4: NURSING ASSISTING-If a competitor scores 25/50 on the Round 1 test and a 75% on Round 2, and finishes in the TOP 3, the competitor earns a medal and would qualify for the ILC. (They met the standard for both the Round 1 and Round 2)