State Officer Candidate Code of Conduct Form

Name of Candidate:	**Local Chapter Affiliation:**

I agree to follow the "SD HOSA State Officer Code of Conduct" whenever I represent South Dakota HOSA individually or as part of the SD HOSA state officer team.

1. I agree to participate AND have an advisor/parent escort me to the following activities:
   - Summer Officer Training (CTSO meeting)
   - Two Executive Board meetings (President ONLY)
   - Fall Leadership Conference
   - South Dakota Legislative Day
   - State Leadership Conference
   - Conference calls as necessary
   - HOSA National Leadership Conference

   (I also agree to participate in additional activities that may arise during my service year).

2. I shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, or illegal controlled substances of any kind or in any form.
3. I shall follow established curfew, meaning I am quiet and in my own room unless I am conducting official business at the instruction of the SD HOSA state staff.
4. I understand that conferences and activities officially begin when I leave home for the event and end when I return home.
5. I will always conduct myself in a professional manner as a representative of SD HOSA.
6. I shall apply appropriate leadership principles at all times.
7. I shall wear appropriate dress at all official functions.
8. I shall immediately remove myself from all situations that could compromise my professional image.
9. I shall refrain from dating fellow SD HOSA state officers while I am in office.
10. I shall take extreme care of all property belonging to others. I will take responsibility for damage caused to property or facilities for which I am responsible. I will not participate in cheating, dishonesty or taking advantage of others.
11. I shall keep the SD HOSA state staff or local chapter advisor informed of my whereabouts and activities at all times when the activities are an official function of my office or if I am in his or her charge.
12. I shall be prompt and prepared at all times.
13. I shall carry out my duties and responsibilities to the best of my abilities.
14. I shall attend all official conference activities.
15. I shall keep my local chapter advisor informed of all official correspondence. I shall forward a copy of all official correspondence written by me to the state office.
16. I shall follow my local school policies where they are more restrictive than the state policies and guidelines.
17. I shall not be engaged in any inappropriate or illicit behavior.
18. I am responsible for reporting any violations of this code of conduct committed by myself or by fellow officers.
19. If other situations arise that are not covered by the Code of Conduct for SD HOSA state officers, I shall use my best judgment in the situation. Above all, I will try to act in such a way that I will reflect positively on South Dakota HOSA.
20. I will maintain my grades and meet the requirements of my school to participate in extra-curricular activities.
21. I will be in willful companionship of someone who violates any portion of the conduct code.
22. I will not use any form of transportation unless accompanied by an authorized advisor.
23. I will abide by the state officer Code of Conduct while I am a candidate and a state officer. I will resign my office if I fail to follow the state officer Code of Conduct.

Candidate's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Advisor's Signature _____ Date _____

Keep one copy for yourself