BOARD AGENDA ITEM

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Action
Date: May 12, 2025
Board Meeting Date: May 19, 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

Requesting permission for seven (7) Kent Career Technical Center (KCTC) students to participate in the HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) International Competition in Nashville, Tennessee on June 17-22, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

HOSA is a student organization whose mission is to promote career opportunities in health care and to enhance the delivery of quality health care to all people. The conference includes competitions in dozens of health-related topics, and KCTC Health Careers students did well this year with a total of seven (7) students qualifying to compete at the International Competition in Nashville, TN from June 17-22, 2025.

The seven KCTC Health Careers competitors advanced from the state-level competition in Traverse City in April. Please see the attached documents for detail information on students, their HOSA event and state placement, as well as estimated expenses to attend the international competition.



This memo is to request approval from the Kent Intermediate School District Board for seven Kent Career Technical Center Students to participate in the HOSA Internationals Competition, while accompanied by two chaperones.

Date: May 6, 2025

Event: International HOSA Competition

Location: Nashville, TN

Advisors: Beth O'Donnell Katrina Worley Korrie McFarlane Leslie Kirschenbaur Rachel Rysdyk Jenny Majeske

Chaperones: Rachel Rysdyk, & Jenny Majeske

The Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) is a student organization whose mission is to promote career opportunities in health care and to enhance the delivery of quality health care to all people. The conference includes competitions in dozens of health-related topics, and KCTC Health Careers students did well this year with a total of four students qualifying to compete at the International Competition in Nashville, TN from June 17-22, 2025. Listed below are the Health competitors who advanced from the state-level competition in Traverse City in April and will be moving onto the ILC competition:

Clinical Laboratory Science

1st Lydia Albaitis 3rd Megan Kuiper

Patient Care Technician: 3rd Lillian Hoogenstyn 5th Deanna Magoon (bumped up)

Pharmacology: 3rd Brenna Tran

Pharmacy Science: 1st Elsie Veenstra 3rd Kaitlyn Cuison

Estimate of Expenses (Acct # 26-1-127-3220-493-0000-06157-0450)

Registration: 7 students & 2 Chaperones/Advisors X \$90 = \$810 Hotel: 5 rooms with 1 roll-away @ \$1261.73 per room for 5 nights = 6,434 Food (9 people): \$65/day x 5 days = \$2,925 Transportation: Airfare for 9 people @ \$215/ticket round trip = \$1,935 Ground transportation: \$300 Fun Day Participation: \$900

Total: \$ 13,304

Descriptions of the HOSA Contests

**Pricing is an estimate only as prices may change.

<u>Pharmacy Science, Clinical Laboratory Science, and Patient Care Tech:</u> These events will consist of two rounds of competition. Round One will be a written, multiple choice test of knowledge and understanding. The top scoring competitors will advance to Round Two for the performance of selected skill(s) identified in a written scenario. The scenario will require the use of critical thinking skills as well as industry techniques.

<u>Pharmacology</u>: Provides HOSA members with the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills regarding the area of healthcare concerned with drug uses, effects, and modes of action. This competitive event consists of a written test with a tiebreaker essay question. It aims to inspire members to learn about drugs' actions on the body, proper administration, and adaptations for different patients and conditions.

Thank you for your continued support for our students and staff!

Beth O'Donnell, MS PT, Jenny Majeske & Rachel Rysdyk Instructors & HOSA Advisors Kent Career Technical Center