



DENTAL TERMINOLOGY

Purpose: To encourage Health Science students to improve their ability to identify, spell, define and apply the terminology and language of occupations in the dental field, to include prefixes, suffixes, roots and anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology and occupations.

Description: This event shall be a written test dealing with selected terms which are common to all dental occupations and others unique to the varied dental specialties. Competitors shall be expected to recognize, identify, define, interpret or apply these terms by responding correctly to 100 multiple choice items.

Dress Code: Competitors must be in official HOSA uniform or in proper business attire. Bonus points will be awarded for proper dress.

- Rules and Procedures**
1. Competitors in this event must be active members of HOSA in good standing in the category in which they are registered to compete (Secondary or Postsecondary/Collegiate).
 2. The test shall be developed from the National HOSA test item bank.
 3. A series of twenty (20) tie breaking questions will be administered with the original test. In case of a tie, the tie breaker questions will be used. The judges will break the tie by using successive sets of five questions until a winner is determined. In the tie-breaker, correct spelling is required for an item to be considered correct.
 4. The official references for the selection of all words and terms shall include:
 - Dofka, Charline M. *Dental Terminology*. Delmar. Latest edition.
 - Mosby. *Mosby's Dental Dictionary*. Elsevier Health Sciences, Latest edition.
 5. Test Plan:

40%	Dental Specialties (definitions, related procedures, and terminology)	
	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	Prosthodontics
	Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology	Endodontics
	Pediatric Dentistry	Orthodontics
	Dental Public Health	Periodontics
	Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology	
20%	Instruments and materials	
10%	Prefixes and Suffixes	
10%	Anatomy & Physiology of the Head	
10%	Infection Control	
5%	Ethics & Legal	
5%	Radiation Safety	
 6. One section of this event shall be scheduled for secondary and one for postsecondary/collegiate competitors. Competitor numbers will be pre-assigned.

7. All competitors shall report to the site of the event at the time designated for the event orientation and test. The test will immediately follow the orientation. **No proxies will be allowed for the orientation.** No references or study materials will be allowed at the event site.
8. All competitors will be given a test with the test items turned face down. The competitors will be given instructions and required to enter their competitor number and level on the cover sheet of the test, as well as on the scantron answer form. After instructions have been given to the competitors, they will be notified to start the test. There will be a maximum of 1½ hours to complete the test. Competitors should leave the testing site promptly after completion of the test.
9. Competitors must be familiar with and adhere to the **"General Rules and Regulations of the National HOSA Competitive Events Program."**

Required Personnel (Per Section): (SS level event; PS/C level event) No sections within levels.

1. One Event Manager (per event)
2. One Section Leader
3. Two to three Proctors
4. Two Courtesy Corps Members

Facilities, Equipment and Materials (Per Section):

1. One room to accommodate the total number of competitors
2. Tables/chairs; table with arm chairs; or schoolroom desks/chairs for total number of competitors
3. Table/chairs for event personnel to provide for registration, grading of tests and distribution of materials
4. Official reference books for judges
- *** 5. Number 2 lead pencils with an eraser
6. Test packets which are pre-numbered and Scantron answer forms
7. Answer keys
8. Scantron machine (if not graded by hand)

*** Equipment to be brought to event by competitor.

Event Flow Chart

