Dental Terminology

New for 2020-2021
Competitor orientation deleted from ILC.

Event Summary
Dental Terminology provides members with the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills regarding language common to all dental careers and specialties. This competitive event consists of a written test with tie-breaker questions. This event aims to inspire members to learn about dental terminology, physiology and pathophysiology.

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

General Rules
1. Competitors in this event must be active members of HOSA-Future Health Professionals and in good standing.
2. Secondary and Postsecondary/Collegiate divisions are eligible to compete in this event.
3. Competitors must be familiar with and adhere to the “General Rules and Regulations of the HOSA Competitive Events Program (GRR).”
4. All competitors shall report to the site of the event at the time designated for each round of competition. At ILC, competitor’s photo ID must be presented prior to ALL competition rounds.

Official References

Written Test
5. Test Instructions: The written test will consist of 100 multiple choice items in a maximum of 90 minutes.
6. Time Remaining Announcements: There will be a verbal announcement when there are 60 minutes, 30 minutes, 15 minutes, 5 minutes, and 1 minute remaining to complete the test.
7. A series of twenty (20) tie breaking questions will be administered with the original test. the tie-breaker, correct spelling is required for an item to be considered correct.
8. The test plan for the Dental Terminology test is:
   - Dental Specialties (related procedures, terminology and spelling) 40%
     - Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
     - Cosmetic Dentistry
     - Pediatric Dentistry
     - Dental Laboratory
     - Prosthodontics
     - Endodontics
     - Orthodontics
     - Periodontics
   - Instruments and Materials 20%
   - Prefixes, Suffixes and Combining Forms 10%
   - Anatomy & Physiology of Head and Oral Structures 10%
   - Infection Control and Emergency Care 10%
   - Ethical and Legal 5%
   - Radiography 5%

9. Sample Test Questions
   1. What ridge occurs on the occlusal surface of posterior teeth at a point where two triangular ridges meet?
      A. Marginal
      B. Oblique
      C. Transverse
      D. Triangular
      Dofka pp 62

   2. Which suffix refers to knowledge?
      A. -algia
      B. -gnosis
      C. -ology
      D. -trophy
      Dofka pp 14

   3. What is the double-ended hand instrument with a pointed tip on one end used to carve features in newly placed restorations?
      A. Chisel
      B. Cleoid
      C. Hatchet
      D. Hoe
      Dofka pp 78

Final Scoring

10. Final rank is determined by the test score. In case of a tie, successive sets of five tie-breaker questions will be used until a winner is determined.

Competitors Must Provide:
□ Two #2 pencils with erasers
□ Photo ID