Student Delegate Instructions and Application

Overview

Students have a unique opportunity to apply for a position as a Student Delegate. As a Student Delegate, you represent all student members of the American Dental Hygienists' Association during the three House of Delegates meetings. Each student will be considered for the student delegate position.

Student delegates will receive a complimentary conference registration to ADHA 2024.

Qualifications

- Must be a student member of the American Dental Hygienists' Association.
- **Must be a matriculating dental hygiene student with a minimum of one semester/trimester remaining after annual session.**
- Must be in good standing in a dental hygiene program and have the written approval of the program director for candidacy.
- Must be available to fulfill all obligations of a district workshop and full attendance at the ADHA House of Delegates Meeting (June 28-30, 2024).

Duties

Student Delegates are expected to:

- Attend district workshop prior to or at Annual Conference if one is held.
- Attend all sessions of the ADHA House of Delegates.
- Attend reference committee hearings and present testimony as appropriate.
- Attend district and student district meetings.
- Vote in the election for the Voting Student Delegate.
- Provide a written report of the ADHA Annual Conference to the Division of Member Engagement.

In addition, it is recommended that the Student Delegates:

- Become familiar with the ADHA's Annual Report, Bylaws and Policy Manual, and the Delegate's Manual, all of which will be sent to you.
- Be punctual at all meetings and appointments.
- Be pleasant and cooperative when discussing an issue.
- Respond to questions or topics relevant to business at hand and then abide by the majority decision when the matter is decided by correct parliamentary procedure.
- Consult the ADHA Speaker of the House when parliamentary problems arise.

Please contact ADHA at (312) 440-8900 or Student.Relations@adha.net if you have questions regarding the application or the position.
Student Delegate Application

All applications are due to your ADHA District Director no later than February 9, 2024.

About You

Are you a student member of the American Dental Hygienists' Association?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

ADHA Member ID:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Expected Graduation Date:

Name of Institution:

Essay

Please submit an essay with the completed application answering the question below. The essay must be 250 words or less. Please do not include identifying information including your name, the name of your dental hygiene program, or your city/state.

What professional skills do you believe you will obtain through Student Membership and participation in ADHA?
Program Director Verification Section

Please review the qualifications for Student Delegate and complete the section below. This form must be completed before submitting the application. A certified signature or written signature approval from your Program Director will be accepted.

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I certify that ______________________ meets the above qualifications for the student delegate to the American Dental Hygienists’ Association House of Delegates.

Print Name: 
Program Director

Signature: 
Program Director

Date:

Name of Institution:

Application Checklist:  
- [ ] Completed Application  
- [ ] Essay  
- [ ] Program Director Verification

I understand that I must complete the student delegate essay question independently of external assistance. I also understand that the duties of district student delegate include but are not limited to becoming familiar with the Annual Report and Delegates’ Manual, attendance at a district workshop and attendance at all House of Delegate meetings. I promise to fulfill all these obligations.

Applicant Full Name:

Applicant Signature: 
Date:
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**Application Timeline**

All applications are due to your ADHA District Director no later than February 9, 2024.

Selection results will be confirmed by March 8, 2024. Your ADHA District Director will announce the names of the dental hygiene student selected as student delegate.

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