Hilarity for Charity Recognitions (A & B)

Event Category: Recognition

Recognition Option A - Solo Event	Recognizes those participating in the Hilarity for Charity training program.	**Digital Upload:** Hilarity for Charity provides a tracking system that collects all data, which is found at the conclusion of each program.
Eligible Divisions: Secondary & Postsecondary / Collegiate		

Recognition Option B - Chapter Recognition Event	Recognizes those chapters involved in YMAA	**Digital Upload:** Hilarity for Charity provides a tracking system for YMAA activity.
Eligible Divisions: Secondary & Postsecondary / Collegiate		

New for 2026-2027

Pins will not be awarded for this event. Editorial changes have been made.

Event Summary

Recognition A:

Hilarity for Charity (HFC) is dedicated to supporting individuals and families impacted by Alzheimer's disease through the power of humor and community. By embracing innovative and collaborative strategies, HFC provides critical resources, care, and education to those affected, as well as their caregivers. As a proud Premier Partner of HOSA–Future Health Professionals, HFC is equipping members with essential knowledge to promote brain health through its engaging platform, HFCUniverse. This recognition event celebrates participants who have successfully completed the educational program and are now better prepared to make a meaningful impact in the fight against Alzheimer's—shining a light on a disease that affects millions.

Recognition B:

HFCs Youth Movement Against Alzheimer's (YMAA) is an attempt to increase awareness and knowledge of the disease. Assisting today's youth with identifying measures to improve their own brain health is part of the mission. Additionally, with more of our youth having to assume the responsibilities for caring for someone with Alzheimer's, HFC is dedicated to supporting these youth with resources and programs.

Sponsorship

HOSA- Future Health Professionals appreciates the sponsorship of this event by Hilarity for Charity.	HFC Hilarity for Charity

General Event Information

General Rules	Competitors must be familiar with and adhere to the General Rules and Regulations. • For Recognition A: Competitors must complete the courses Brain Health 101, Brain Health 201, and/or Brain Health 301 for the level they wish to obtain. Courses can be found at HFCUniverse.

The expectation is that competitors read and are aware of all the content within these guidelines and associated links. Successful competitors will study all links for the detailed information.

	• For Recognition B: Chapters will initiate YMAA involvement. Information for joining the movement can be found at HFC's Youth Movement Against Alzheimer's.
Tracking	The recognition for Recognition Option A & Recognition Option B will be tracked by Hilarity for Charity. No additional tracking will be required.
Timeline & Recognition Process	1. For international recognition, this event may include activities from June 1, 2026, through May 15, 2027. 2. Levels of Recognition A: • Bronze Level: Brain 101 • Silver Level: Brain 101 & 201 • Gold Level: Brain 101, 201 & 301 3. Those members attending the International Leadership Conference who submitted and completed the above levels or chapters or who have initiated YMAA should register for the event. Those who register for the event will be listed first at the Recognition Reception. 4. Members and Chapter names receiving recognition will be posted on the International HOSA website. Individuals or chapters not attending ILC can contact their Chartered Association to receive their digital certificate. 5. For Recognition Option A, those members attending the International Leadership Conference will walk across the stage during the identified recognition reception to receive a certificate. Gold, silver, and bronze medals are not awarded for this event at the international level. 6. For Recognition Option B, those chapters attending the International Leadership Conference and earning recognition will select a chapter representative to walk across the stage during the identified recognition reception to receive a certificate. Gold, silver, and bronze medals are not awarded for this event at the international level. 7. Each State Advisor determines recognition methods at the Chartered Association level.

Future Opportunities

The HOSA Scholarship program has funding available for HOSA members who have an interest in various health careers! The application process begins January 1, 2027, and can be found here: https://hosa.org/scholarships/.

Graduating from high school or completing your postsecondary/collegiate program does not mean your HOSA journey has to end. As a HOSA member, you are eligible to become a HOSA Lifetime Alumni Member- a free and valuable opportunity to remain connected, give back, and help to shape the future of the organization. Learn more and sign up at hosa.org/alumni.