

HISPANIC YOUTH SYMPOSIUM

PARENT & STUDENT FAQ'S

Are students required to attend both days of HYS 2015?

Yes, students will be required to participate **both full days on August 1 & 2, 2015**. Students will not be allowed to participate in HYS if they arrive late and they cannot leave early (unless for family emergency/medical reasons). Additionally, all students will be required to stay overnight for the full college experience.

I have been selected, now what?

Selected applicants and alternates will be required complete the registration process. To do so, submit all signed waivers by **Wednesday June 17, 2015**. The \$50 registration fee must be paid by **Friday June 19, 2015**.

Where do I send my signed waivers?

Send all electronic scans or files of signed waivers to apply@idahohys.org. Make sure that your e-mail includes your name and high school!

How do I pay my registration fee?

Payment for student registration can be made at <http://tinyurl.com/hys2015fees>. **Payment is due by Friday June 19, 2015.**

*Any students with financial hardships seeking to apply to HYS 2015 are advised to contact us at apply@idahohys.org.

Will transportation be offered?

It depends on student location. Currently, the **HYS 2015 WILL** provide transportation for students living in the Hammett/Glenns Ferry area and eastward. Designated pick up locations will be finalized in late June, but tentatively are Idaho Falls area, Pocatello area, Burley area, Twin Falls area, Glenns Ferry area.

At this time, **HYS 2015 WILL NOT** provide transportation for students living in the greater Treasure Valley area, which extends from the Weiser area to the Mountain Home area. The reason for these tentative transportation arrangements is due to limited funding and the high cost for busing. We are still aggressively fundraising and it is our desire to provide complete transportation services, however at this time we cannot make this guarantee. If you or someone you know is able to assist us with our transportation needs, please email us at sponsor@idahohys.org.

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What should I bring?

Students should bring a copy of your transcripts (if possible) to share with college recruiters. Comfortable clothing, pajamas, essential toiletries (i.e. toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner, personal care products, saline solution), comfortable shoes for the campus tour, and costume/attire/props/instruments for the talent show, dress attire for the speech contest (if selected as a finalist), and your art for the art show.

What are the housing arrangements?

Students will be housed at the BSU dormitories. Males and Female will be housed on separate floors, no exceptions made. Mentors (chaperones) will monitor dorm rooms and inappropriate behavior will be addressed as stated in the Student Code of Conduct: **“If the student violates a Symposium regulation, parent/s will be responsible for the immediate travel arrangements and all other costs involved in returning the student home early from the Symposium.”**

Will talent and speech preliminaries happen on site?

No. Due to time constraints, students will be required to submit video of talent and speech performances. Video requirements and talent/speech guidelines will be posted at <http://www.idahohys.org/competitions.html> beginning on **Monday, June 22**.

How do I enter the art show?

Students who wish to participate in the art show will be required to submit a written description of the piece and display needs (if needs are beyond a table or wall) and an image (if available). Submission details will be published at <http://www.idahohys.org/competitions.html> by **Monday, June 22**.

Students are responsible for the transport of their art.

I have a disability, who can I contact for special arrangements?

Students or parents of students with disabilities, please email us at information@idahohys.org to make special arrangements with our staff. In your email, please include the details of the arrangements you or your student needs.

Other questions?

Please submit any and all questions to apply@idahohys.org