

# TEAMING TOGETHER



The Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) is proud to be part of the SkillsUSA National Convention. MDA serves hundreds of thousands of children and adults who have over 40 forms of muscle-wasting diseases. MDA's 200 offices across the country serve local families living with muscle disease and can work with your school and students to make a difference.

There are lots of fun and rewarding ways in which your students can become involved with MDA. To continue the SkillsUSA commitment to leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development, MDA has opportunities including:

- Volunteer for a week as a counselor at MDA summer camp. Counselors work one-on-one with children with muscle diseases, helping them to maximize their experience. (Must be 16 years of age.)
- Youth-based special events and community service fundraising projects
- Volunteer to help at major MDA events like the Jerry Lewis MDA Labor Day Telethon and put their skills to good use

MDA has opportunities to fit into the SkillsUSA curriculum of:

- Community Service
- American Spirit
- Student2Student Mentoring Recognition Program

And remember: For their volunteer efforts, students can earn a President's Volunteer Service Award — bronze, silver or gold — through SkillsUSA!

For more information on how you, your students and your school can help make a positive difference in the lives of others, please contact Kim Bruna, MDA director of program development, at [kbruna@mdausa.org](mailto:kbruna@mdausa.org) or (520) 529-5406.

