



SkillsUSA: Champions at Work
2012 NLSC Information

April 2012

Dear SkillsUSA Alumnus:

On behalf of the SkillsUSA Alumni and Friends Association and the National Office, I would like to invite you to attend the 48th Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference and SkillsUSA Championships in Kansas City, Missouri, June 23-27. This will be our 19th year in Kansas City, and it is a big city with much to offer. Our committee and the National Office would like to have you join us.

If you would like to attend this conference, you may register through your state association, or send your "Conference Activities Registration Form" to the national office. In addition, for those who are interested in attending the conference and want to volunteer their help at least six hours daily, we will waive the \$125 registration fee. You can now secure your hotel room in Kansas City online! Please go to <http://www.skillsusa.org/events/hotels.shtml> and click on the link "Make your NLSC Hotel Reservations Online." Then, under Lodging, select "Parents/Guests/Alumni" from the pull-down menu at the box titled "Who are You?" A hotel listing with addresses, rates and phone numbers is also posted on this site for your review.

Some of the highlights during conference week include: an exciting Opening Ceremony on Monday, June 25th; the annual TECHSPO trade show with a Career Fair, the SkillsUSA Championships featuring 94 competitive events, all culminating with the Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, June 27th. In addition, we will host SkillsUSA University during the week. There will be other fun activities, such as the Alumni 5K Race, a two-day Alumni Training, SkillsUSA's Amazing Race, Champions Night at Power and Light, and SkillsUSA Night at Kaufman Stadium.

You are a special and valued member of SkillsUSA. If you have not been to a national conference in a while, why don't you consider going this year and renewing some old friendships as we celebrate 48 years of serving young professionals? We've come a long way and hope you can visit with us in Kansas City this June!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George Laubmeier".

George Laubmeier
Executive Chair
Alumni Coordinating Committee

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Niki Clausen".

Niki Clausen
Alumni Program Manager
SkillsUSA



48th NATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND SKILLS CONFERENCE

Kansas City Convention Center

Kansas City, Missouri

June 23-27, 2012

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

(Headquarters Office is in Lobby 2100, Room 2104A)

Friday, June 22

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ALUMNI TRAINING

Bartle Hall, Room 2104B, Lobby 2100

12:00 noon

SET UP ALUMNI HEADQUARTERS

Alumni Headquarters, Room 2104A, Lobby 2100

Saturday, June 23

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

ALUMNI TRAINING

Bartle Hall, Room 2104B, Lobby 2100

12:00 p.m.

SET UP ALUMNI BOOTHS

See conference program for alumni booth locations—sign up to help at Alumni HQ!

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Bartle Hall, Room 2104B, Lobby 2100

Sunday, June 24

8:00 a.m.

ALUMNI Breakfast

Bartle Hall, Room 2502 A&B

9:00 a.m.

ALUMNI BOOTHS (Open all day)

TECHSPO, Lobby 2300

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9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

SKILLSUSA TECHSPO TRADE SHOW

Location: Lobbies 2200 and 2300, Bartle Hall

Street exhibits around Municipal Auditorium and H. Roe Bartle Hall

The TECHSPO is the largest technical education exposition in the U.S.

7:00 p.m.

CHAMPIONS NIGHT AT THE POWER AND LIGHT

Power and Light District (wear conference name badge and logo t-shirt for admittance)

Monday, June 25

All day

ALUMNI INDUSTRY ESCORT TEAM PICKS UP VIPS AT AIRPORT

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

SKILLSUSA TECHSPO TRADE SHOW

Location: Lobbies 2200 and 2300, Bartle Hall

TECHSPO, Lobby 2300 *All are welcome!*

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9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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All Day

SKILLSUSA CHAMPIONSHIP

Refer to the Official Conference Program for competition locations. Watch as state champions compete for gold, silver and bronze medals in a number of leadership events as well as selected skill events.

All Day

SKILLSUSA UNIVERSITY

Designed for students, administrators and instructors, this program of seminars is devoted to SkillsUSA knowledge and educational issues. Seminar, location, times, topics and a list of presenters are in the Official Conference Program. *All sessions are free and everyone is invited to attend these workshops!*

7:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONY

Kemper Arena (Wear your name badge for entrance!)



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Tuesday, June 26

All Day

ALUMNI INDUSTRY ESCORT TEAM PICKS UP VIPS AT AIRPORT

All Day

ALUMNI BOOTHS

See conference program for alumni booth locations—sign up to help at Alumni HQ!

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SKILLSUSA CHAMPIONSHIPS – SKILL EVENTS/LEADERSHIP CONTEST FINALS –

Open to the Public. In this national showcase of career and technical education, state champions demonstrate their skills as they compete for gold, silver and bronze medals. SkillsUSA's partners make all this possible. Refer to the Official Conference Program for leadership competition locations.

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

SKILLSUSA TECHSPO TRADE SHOW

Location: Lobbies 2200 and 2300, Bartle Hall (Tues–Thur)

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All Day

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SKILLSUSA NIGHT AT KAUFMAN STADIUM

Wednesday, June 27

All Day

ALUMNI INDUSTRY ESCORT TEAM RETURNS VIPS TO AIRPORT

All Day

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8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

ALUMNI 5K Race

English Landing Park in Parkville, MO

9:00 a.m.

DISMANTLE ALUMNI BOOTHS

2:00 p.m.

ALUMNI APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Bartle Hall, Room 2502 A&B

6:00 p.m.

AWARDS CEREMONY

Kemper Arena

Enjoy the show! Be prepared for excitement at this highly charged event that includes presentation of the gold, silver and bronze medals and the announcement of next year's national officers.



48^b NATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND SKILLS CONFERENCE

Kansas City, Missouri

June 23-27, 2012

ALUMNI REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone Number: (____) _____ Cell Phone Number (____) _____

Email Address: _____

YES, I will attend the SkillsUSA NLSC. I can volunteer to help in the following area(s) at least six hours daily. Indicate by number your first, second and third preference. Note: Registration fee of \$125.00 is waived for registered volunteers

- Alumni Booth Team (sell pins, 5K Race Registration, memberships, etc.; you will be assigned days and shifts)
Alumni Leadership Team (assist with awards ceremony, luncheon, work in alumni headquarters)
Alumni/SkillsUSA Championships Team (assist with contests as needed)
Alumni Special Services Team (assist with meeting room setups, sign distribution, etc.)
Alumni VIP Industry Escort Team (airport pick-ups and returns)
I can help wherever my services are needed during conference week

YES, I will attend the Alumni Training on June 22-23. Enclosed is my registration fee of \$30.00 (which includes: lunch, a training shirt, and resources). *Limited scholarships for the Alumni Training are available, contact Niki Clausen for details.

YES, I am attending the SkillsUSA National Conference, but will not be a volunteer. Enclosed is my national conference registration fee of \$125.

YES, I am attending the SkillsUSA National Conference as: An Advisor, Tech Chair or Committee Member, Other: _____

NO, I cannot attend the SkillsUSA National Conference, but I am interested in Alumni activities. Please keep me on your list for future events.

I have read the attached guidelines and agree to observe the guidelines as set forth in:

- SkillsUSA Personal Liability and Medical Release Form
SkillsUSA Alumni and Friends Association Code of Conduct
Violations and Penalties
Photography and Sound Release.

Signature Date
Please return this form by June 1, 2012. You can mail or fax to: Niki Clausen, SkillsUSA Alumni, 14001 SkillsUSA Way, Leesburg, VA 20176-5494, FAX: (703) 777-8999
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Niki Clausen at the National Office at (703) 737-0639 or by Email to nclausen@skillsusa.org. (Over)

SKILLSUSA PERSONAL LIABILITY AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

I hereby agree to release SkillsUSA Inc. (hereinafter referred to as SkillsUSA), its representatives, agents, servants and employees from liability; for any injury to the named person at any time while attending the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC), including travel to and from the conference, excepting only such injury or damage resulting from willful acts of representatives, agents, servants and employees.

I do voluntarily authorize the SkillsUSA NLSC and SkillsUSA Championships Medical Services Coordinator, assistants and/or designees to administer and/or obtain routine or emergency medical treatment for the named person as deemed necessary in medical judgment. Parents/guardians of participant will allow emergency medical treatment to be administered as needed. Any further treatment will require parental/guardian consultation.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless SkillsUSA and said Medical Services Coordinator and/or assistants and designees for any and all claims, demands, actions, rights of action, and/or judgments by or on behalf of the named person arising from or on account of said procedures and/or treatment rendered in good faith and according to accepted medical standards.

Having read and understood completely the "SkillsUSA Alumni and Friends Association Code of Conduct" of SkillsUSA, I do hereby agree to follow the procedures and practices described. I fully understand that this is an educational activity and will, to the best of my ability, apply myself for the purpose of serving and will uphold at all times the finest qualities of a person representing SkillsUSA.

NOTE: All persons under legal age must have a parent or guardians sign this form (see other side). If you are 18 or older, please indicate that on other side of this form. Otherwise, this form will be returned for a parent/guardian signature. All participants must sign this form.

SKILLSUSA ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION CODE OF CONDUCT

As a group, the SkillsUSA Alumni and Friends Association developed a code of conduct and ethics. The code is intended to be used as a guide for Alumni behavior and interactions at all SkillsUSA conferences and events.

1. Be on time and prepared for all SkillsUSA Alumni and conference events.
2. Be respectful and appropriate in all interactions with alumni, advisors, students, and other SkillsUSA associates. Know who is around you when you are having a conversation.
3. Trust each other and be trust worthy. Keep the commitments that you make.
4. Be positive and enthusiastic. Come with a "Can Do Attitude". Remember, every job is important!
5. Treat each other the way you would like to be treated, using positive teamwork skills and conflict resolution techniques. Utilize the skills and experiences of your fellow Alumni Members.
6. Respect all hotel property, convention center property, SkillsUSA property and staff. Keep conference rooms and common areas neat and clean.
7. Be a role model to SkillsUSA members. After curfew, all Alumni members should be quiet and respectful. Let your words and actions be a positive example to others.
8. Members will not consume alcohol while in the presence of students or while wearing anything with the official SkillsUSA or Alumni logos.
9. Alumni dress will be a polo shirt and business casual slacks (no denim), and no sandals or flip-flops.

VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

I agree that if, for any reason, I am in violation of any rules of the conference, I may be brought before the appropriate discipline committee for an analysis of the violation. I also agree to accept the penalty imposed on me. I understand that any penalty and reasons for it will be explained to me before it is carried out. I further realize that the severity of the penalty may increase with the severity of the violation, even to the extent of being immediately sent home at my own expense. It is within the spirit of being a proud and meaningful member of the SkillsUSA Alumni and Friends Association that I agree to these rules of conduct by signing my name on the other side of this page.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND SOUND RELEASE

I hereby grant the SkillsUSA permission to make still or motion pictures and sound recordings, separately or in combination, and also give a production company approved by SkillsUSA permission to use the finished silent or sound pictures, and/or sound recordings as deemed necessary.

Further, I so hereby relinquish to SkillsUSA all rights, title, interest in and income from the finished sound or silent motion pictures, still pictures, and/or sound recordings, negatives, prints, reproductions, and copies of the originals, negatives, recording duplicates and prints, and further grant SkillsUSA the right to give, sell, transfer, and /or exhibit the same to any individual, business firm, publication, television station, radio station or network, or governmental agency, or to any of their assignees, without payment or other consideration to me.

My agreement to perform under camera, lighting, and stated conditions is voluntary and I do hereby waive all personal claims, causes of action, or damages against SkillsUSA and the employees thereof, arising from a performance or appearance.