SkillsUSA is showing everyone how vital career and technical education is to America’s future.

SkillsUSA: Champions at Work

SkillsUSA is a national student organization serving high school, college and middle school students preparing for careers in trade, technical and skilled service occupations, including health occupations, and for further education. SkillsUSA’s mission is to help its members become world-class workers and responsible American citizens. SkillsUSA complements technical skill training with instruction in the employability skills that make a well-rounded worker and citizen. Totaling all annual members since its 1965 founding, SkillsUSA has developed 12.5 million workers through active partnerships between employers and educators. SkillsUSA is endorsed by the U.S. Department of Education and state departments of education and is cited in federal legislation as an integral part of the technical curriculum.

Our Membership
SkillsUSA has more than 18,000 school chapters in 53 state and territorial associations, and serves more than 335,000 active members annually. More than 18,000 instructors and administrators are professional members of SkillsUSA. Our members are known in their schools and communities as leaders and skilled professionals in training.

An Applied Method of Learning
SkillsUSA is an applied method of learning where students practice skills and build self-confidence while helping their schools and communities. SkillsUSA provides experiences in leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development. The program emphasizes high ethical standards, superior work skills, lifelong education and pride. These are qualities employers value and look for when hiring or promoting workers.

School-based Programs
The SkillsUSA Framework offers local, state and national opportunities for students to learn and practice personal, workplace and technical skills grounded in academics. The SkillsUSA Career Essentials suite is a solution to industry and education needs in preparing career-ready students who are productive and promotable. Including Foundations, Experiences and Assessments, the suite helps students develop the skills, attitudes and values that allow them stand out from other applicants in the skilled labor marketplace. SkillsUSA’s award-winning Student2Student Mentoring gives high school students a way to mentor younger students in the area of career development. The President’s Volunteer Service Award is offered in recognition of sustained service. Recipients receive a lapel pin, certificate or congratulatory letter from the president of the United States. Candidates must document hours served. Lowe’s Charitable and Educational Foundation offers SkillsUSA Lowe’s School Grants that support chapter improvement, community service and CareerSafe online safety training.

Our Partners
Nationally, SkillsUSA enjoys support from more than 600 corporations, businesses, associations and labor unions. These sponsors support SkillsUSA financially and with in-kind contributions because they believe in our mission. The SkillsUSA Foundation, the organization’s philanthropic arm, involves representatives of business, industry, organized labor, alumni and others in the active financial and volunteer support of SkillsUSA programs and activities.

ANNUAL EVENTS

SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference
June 24-28, 2019
Louisville, Ky.
Attended by more than 15,000 students, teachers, parents and industry representatives, the national conference includes 102 contests in the SkillsUSA Championships, a technical education trade show, seminars, networking with potential employers, delegate sessions and more.

Leverage/Activate/Engage
June 22-24, 2019
Louisville, Ky.
To help members reach their full potential, SkillsUSA developed this exciting leadership program open to all students, state officers and chapter advisors.

Washington Leadership Training Institute (WLTI)
Sept. 22-26, 2018
Alexandria, Va.
WLTI provides an opportunity for students to learn leadership skills, meet congressional leaders, tour our nation’s capital and hear from top industry executives and thought leaders during a town meeting.

For details on these events and other training opportunities, visit our website: www.skillsusa.org
SkillsUSA benefits students by:
- Teaching teamwork and leadership
- Reinforcing employability skills
- Offering a national contest program
- Providing ways to serve the local community
- Offering $1 million in scholarships annually
- Helping students meet potential employers

SkillsUSA benefits teachers by:
- Enhancing the technical curriculum
- Helping improve class attitudes
- Giving students a way to test their skills
- Providing avenues for local industry support
- Helping showcase training programs
- Gaining greater administrator support
- Providing opportunities to network

SkillsUSA benefits schools by:
- Showcasing the school to the community
- Helping instructors meet educational standards
- Improving the quality of training programs
- Providing opportunities for recognition
- Helping to produce more qualified graduates
- Assisting with recruitment and enrollments

SkillsUSA benefits industry by:
- Ensuring that programs meet industry needs
- Providing opportunities for employment
- Helping to promote specific industries
- Offering a way to support local programs

National Program of Work
SkillsUSA activities are learning experiences because they’re directed by students. The SkillsUSA program of work includes:
- Professional development
- Community service
- Employment
- SkillsUSA Championships
- Public relations
- Social activities
- Ways and means
- Championships

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SkillsUSA Championships
The SkillsUSA Championships brings together industry and labor representatives, educators and the public to watch students compete in leadership and hands-on skill events for a full day. The SkillsUSA Championships begin at the local level with contests in classrooms nationwide. Winners advance through district, regional and state competition, and only the best make it to the national event. Students benefit no matter how they place in their contests. They test their skills, frequently make job contacts, and have a chance for recognition. State and national winners receive gold, silver and bronze medallions, scholarships, tools and other awards. The SkillsUSA Championships event requires more than 1 million square feet of floor space, with approximately 6,500 competitors in 102 different events. Business and industry contributes more than $36 million in equipment, supplies and personnel to support the SkillsUSA Championships, which is considered the largest single-day commitment of corporate volunteerism in America. Every other year, a select few are chosen to compete on an international level in the WorldSkills Competition.

SkillsUSA Championships Events
The official regulations for the following events are published in the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards. New contests are added each year.

Leadership Development
- Action Skills
- American Spirit
- Chapter Business Procedure
- Chapter Display
- Community Action Project
- Community Service
- Employment Application Process
- Extemporaneous Speaking
- Job Interview
- Job Skill Demonstration A
- Job Skill Demonstration B
- Occupational Health and Safety
- Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- Outstanding Chapter
- Pin Design (State Conference)
- Prepared Speech
- Promotional Bulletin Board
- Quiz Bowl
- T-shirt Design

Occupationally Related
- Career Pathways Showcase
- Customer Service
- Engineering Technology/Design
- Entrepreneurship
- First Aid/CPR
- Health Knowledge Bowl
- Health Occupations Professional Portfolio
- Medical Math
- Medical Terminology
- Principles of Engineering/Technology
- Related Technical Math
- Team Engineering Challenge

Skilled and Technical Sciences
- 3-D Visualization and Animation
- Additive Manufacturing
- Advertising Design
- Architectural Drafting
- Audio/Video Production
- Automated Manufacturing Technology
- Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair
- Automotive Refinishing Technology
- Automotive Service Technology
- Aviation Maintenance Technology
- Babbling
- Basic Health Care Skills
- Broadcast News Production
- Building Maintenance
- Cabinetmaking
- Carpentry
- CRIC Miller Specialist
- CRIC Technician
- CRIC Turning Specialist
- Collision Damage Appraisal
- Collision Repair Technology
- Commercial Baking
- Computer Programming
- Cosmetology
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Criminal Justice
- Culinary Arts
- Cyber Security
- Dental Assisting
- Diesel Equipment Technology
- Digital Cinema Technology
- Early Childhood Education
- Electrical Construction Wiring
- Electronics Technology
- Esthetics
- Firefighting
- Graphic Communications
- Graphics Imaging — Sublimation
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
- Industrial Motor Control
- Information Technology Services
- Interactive Application and Video Game Development
- Internetworking
- Major Appliance and Refrigeration Technology
- Marine Service Technology
- Masonry
- Mechantronics
- Medical Assisting
- Mobile Electronics Installation
- Mobile Robotics Technology
- Motorcycle Service Technology
- Nail Care
- Nurse Assisting
- Photography
- Plumbing
- Power Equipment Technology
- Practical Nursing
- Residential Systems Installation and Maintenance
- Restaurant Service
- Robotics: Urban Search and Rescue
- Robotics and Automation Technology
- Screen Printing Technology
- Sheet Metal
- TeamWorks
- Technical Computer Applications
- Technical Drafting
- Telecommunications Cabling
- Television (Video) Production
- Web Design
- Welding
- Welding Fabrication
- Welding Sculpture

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