



Executive Update 3-22

Oct. 1, 2021

To:

- ***State SkillsUSA Directors.***
- ***National Corporate Members.***
- ***Board of Directors.***
- ***National Officers.***

Important Dates:

Oct. 4-7	State Directors Association Professional Development and Training Conference, Atlanta
Oct. 20	Elevate Virtual Conference, 11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. ET.
Dec. 1-4	Association for Career and Technical Education CareerTech Vision Conference, New Orleans, La.
Feb. 6-12	SkillsUSA Week

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SkillsUSA Members Advocate at the Washington Leadership Training Institute

More than 300 SkillsUSA students, teachers and state leaders from 19 states traveled to Washington, D.C., last week to participate in the in-person Washington Leadership Training Institute (WLTI) advocacy conference. Students learned to become effective leaders and gained a broader understanding of how government operates. Members then had the opportunity to share their SkillsUSA and career and technical education experiences with elected officials. They also explored the monuments and museums of D.C. and saw first-hand some of the inspiring history that helped shape the United States. [Read the full story here.](#)

Registration Closes Soon for Elevate

Be sure and let your advisors and their local chapter officer teams know about Elevate, an interactive virtual conference that focuses on building successful chapters by equipping officers with the skills to lead and serve their chapter members. The conference will be held on Oct. 20 from 11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. ET. The registration fee is \$10 per participant and closes **Oct. 6**. [Register here.](#) If you have questions, contact [Taryn Zeigler Erminio](#).

SkillsUSA's Updated Fact Resource is Now Available

[SkillsUSA's Fact Resource](#) has been updated. It includes detailed membership statistics, survey results that show the benefits of SkillsUSA and CTE involvement; talking points for a variety of audiences; a wide variety of quotes of support from various sources to use in your presentations and more. Please make this your primary resource for national SkillsUSA statistics. The document is available in a web-based format on SkillsUSA CONNECT or as a downloadable PDF. On CONNECT, you can click on the bookmarks on the left to find what you're looking for in the document. In the PDF version, you can also click on links in the "Table of Contents" to take you to the exact stat you're looking for.

State IRS Reporting Forms Due Oct. 15

SkillsUSA state IRS Reporting Forms are due to the national office by **Oct. 15**. Form No. 2 (IRS Reporting Form), a letter requesting a state's federal ID number and instructions [can be downloaded here](#). Please fill out the necessary information and return the signed form and letter to [Kim Graham](#).

New! Free Shipping at the SkillsUSA Store

The [SkillsUSA Store](#) now offers free standard ground shipping on all online orders in the U.S., with no minimums or exclusions. Expedited shipping methods are still offered for an additional charge and all orders are processed and fulfilled within two business days (Monday-Friday) as usual.

Career Opportunities at SkillsUSA

SkillsUSA has several career opportunity openings. [More information is available here.](#)

Apply Now for ACTE Teacher and Lifetime Achievement Awards

The Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) is seeking nominations for the National Trade and Industrial Education Division Awards to be presented during the annual [ACTE CareerTech Vision Conference](#), Dec. 1-4. The deadline for nominations is **Nov. 1**. Qualified individuals may be nominated Teacher of the Year; New Teacher of the Year; or Lifetime Achievement. If you nominate someone, please be sure to notify the nominee. You may also nominate yourself. [Nominate someone for the Teacher and Lifetime Achievement Awards here.](#)

National Apprenticeship Week is Coming Soon

This year's National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) is Nov. 15-21. This national celebration established by the U.S. Department of Labor brings together business leaders, career seekers, labor, apprentices, educational institutions and others to showcase the positive impact apprenticeship programs have on addressing the skills gap and preparing the American workforce for the jobs of today and tomorrow. Join the celebration by hosting an event — such as an apprenticeship graduation, business open house, high school career fair, skills competition or industry roundtable — or submit a proclamation supporting NAW and apprenticeship. [Learn more about NAW.](#)

Due Dates

October

- Oct. 6 Registration closes for Elevate
- Oct. 15 SkillsUSA Form No. 2 (IRS Reporting Form) due

November

- Nov. 1 ACTE Teacher and Lifetime Achievement nominations due
- Nov. 15 Deadline for membership registration of at least 15 students and one professional member due to receive a free resource