



Executive Update 10-23
Jan. 15, 2023

To:

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

Important Dates:

February	Career and Technical Education Month
Feb. 2	Virtual SkillsUSA Technical Committee Chair Meeting
Feb. 6-10	SkillsUSA Week

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SkillsUSA 2022 Year in Review Video

SkillsUSA thanks all of our members, partners, friends and stakeholders for making 2022 a truly amazing, magnificent and life-changing year. [The 2022 Year in Review video](#) highlights some of the year's top moments. Please enjoy, share and take pride in the fact that you helped make these moments possible for thousands of students across the nation. Thank you, and the best is yet to come in 2023.

SkillsUSA National Officer Candidates Sought

Becoming a SkillsUSA national officer is the ultimate personal growth and student leadership experience within SkillsUSA, and the [2023-24 National Officer Program Guide and application](#) are now available. The guide contains a wealth of information on what certifications and Career Essentials coursework candidates need to complete before applying. SkillsUSA provides no-cost access to these certifications to national officer candidates, but students will need to apply for access by **Jan. 16**. All national officer applications must be submitted by **June 1 at 6 p.m. ET**.

Final Call for Proposed Bylaw Amendments

Registered SkillsUSA members can submit proposed bylaw amendments for the middle school, high school or college/postsecondary divisions for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2023 NLSC. Bylaw amendment motions must be submitted in writing to [Tyler Chaffin](#) by Saturday, **Jan. 21** at 5 p.m. ET. The SkillsUSA National Executive Council and board of directors will review all submissions at the March board meeting. All motions will then be distributed to SkillsUSA association directors by April 22. Motions will be presented and voted on at the official business meeting of the House of Delegates at the 2023 NLSC. Bylaw amendments are governed by Article XII of the high school and college/postsecondary bylaws and Article X of the middle school bylaws. [Find more information and view the bylaws online](#). The motion form [can be found here](#).

Plan Now for 2023 SkillsUSA Week

SkillsUSA Week is Feb. 6-10, 2023, and SkillsUSA members can participate by honoring community supporters, connecting with local business and industry professionals, or making a presentation about their CTE program and SkillsUSA chapter at a school board meeting. We encourage members to celebrate by planning activities that follow the daily schedule of events using the [SkillsUSA Week Chapter Guide](#). If you would like to outfit officers or members, a special SkillsUSA Week T-shirt is now available in [the SkillsUSA Store](#). The T-shirt features the art of Clara Brown from Upper Valley Career Center in Piqua, Ohio.

National Officers Ready to Serve at State Events

SkillsUSA's national officers are ready to serve at your upcoming state conference by speaking at events, introducing partners or other stakeholders or facilitating

workshops. Complete a [request form](#) today to get assistance for your state conference while providing an incredible opportunity for a student leader.

Career Opportunity at SkillsUSA

SkillsUSA has a position opening for the director of the Office of the SkillsUSA Championships. Darren Gibson is transitioning into a new and vital role for SkillsUSA as our program director of state association support within the Office of Education. [More information is available here.](#)

Honorary Life, Outstanding Educator and Hall of Champions Nominations Open

If you would like to nominate an individual for recognition as a SkillsUSA Honorary Life Member, Outstanding Career and Technical Educator, or for the Hall of Champions Award, please [complete the online applications here](#). The deadline is **Feb. 15**. If you have questions, contact [Laura Rauch](#).

State Advisor of the Year Awards

SkillsUSA supplies state-level Advisor of the Year (AOY) awards. Each state may order one award for a secondary AOY and one award for a college/postsecondary AOY to be awarded at your state conference. To order your AOY awards, email [Kim DeVenuto](#) at the SkillsUSA Store. Include the following information in your email:

- Subject: SkillsUSA State Advisor of the Year Award
- Correct spelling of the name of the advisor to be honored
- State association
- Shipping address (no P.O. boxes)
- The need-by date for delivery.

Each award is custom-produced and shipped from the manufacturer, so allow at least three weeks for delivery. If you have questions, please contact [Laura Rauch](#).

Share Your Success Stories with SkillsUSA

The [SkillsUSA Champions digital hub](#) provides new content weekly, from inspiring features to “Spotlight” stories about the great work chapters and partners are doing. To get a special SkillsUSA member’s story considered for publication (even if that story is yours), send us the details through our [“Submit a Story”](#) link.

Due Dates (through April)

January

Jan. 16 No-cost access to certifications for national officer candidates ends
Jan. 21 Proposed SkillsUSA Bylaw amendment motions submissions due

February

Feb. 15 Submissions due for Honorary Life, Outstanding Career and Technical Education and Hall of Champions

March

March 1 National Education Team applications due

March 1 National Courtesy Corps applications due

March 1 SkillsUSA National Membership deadline

March 1 Annual Corporation Forms due

March 3 SkillsUSA National Pin and T-shirt Design Challenge entries due

April

April 1 President's Volunteer Service Award applications due

April 1 State deadline to advance gold Chapter of Distinction applications for selection as Models of Excellence

April 1 SkillsUSA Master Scholarship applications due

April 15 National Signing Day registrations due