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SLSC Website is LIVE!

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Career Expo Update

We are thrilled to be back IN PERSON for the SkillsUSA Georgia State Leadership & Skills Conference (Championships). While we are meeting in person the health and safety of our attendees remains our top priority.

After careful consideration, and in the interest of keeping our students and all guests safe, SkillsUSA GA & the Construction Education of Georgia (CEFGA) has made the difficult decision to postpone our annual CareerExpo event (not the SkillsUSA Championships). The CareerExpo is designed as an indoor, hands-on, interactive event, usually attended by thousands of SkillsUSA members, middle and high school students, and adults outside of SkillsUSA attendees. But in our current environment there are still too many variables and challenges related to COVID-19 to ensure the safety of our guests.

As organizers, we are excited about getting back to the Georgia World Congress Center and hosting a limited number of students and teachers at the SkillsUSA GA's State Leadership and Skills Conference. **No student** observers will be allowed to register this year for SLSC. We also view this

as a first step back to the full SkillsUSA State Championships and CareerExpo that we've all grown to love over the years. Our goal and our hope is that we will be back to our full event in 2023. We appreciate your continued support and understanding.

Customer Care Team

All of SkillsUSA Georgia's phone calls and emails inquiries about conference, registration, contest, etc. should be sent to SkillsUSA Customer Care. Please add their contact information. customercare@skillsusa.org & 844-875-4557.

Top Three Winners

Great news! This year the top three winners in each contest from each region will advance to SLSC! This was made possible by all of our contests partners.

Dates & Deadlines

Jan 5: SLSC Registration Opens

Jan 12: State Officer Application Due

Feb 1: Registration deadline

Feb 1: Hotel Planner deadline

Feb 1: <u>Transportation Form Due</u>

Feb 1: Assurance Form Due

Feb 1: CEP Application Deadline - Level 1 & 2

Feb 1: Advisor of the Year Application Deadline

Feb 1: Chapter Recruitment Challenge Application Deadline

Feb 1: Proctor Forms Due to SkillsUSA GA State Office

Feb 3: Advisors will receive SkillsUSA GA Official invoice via QuickBooks system.

Feb 7-11: PDP and contest testing

Feb 18: Payment due to State Office, failure to prepay results in inability to compete

Registration Information

Registration fee: \$75 per registrant, \$50 chapter fee

Registration includes a Friday night dinner per registered participant & conference t-shirt, along with other Conference experiences and consumables. Due to supply chain issues and inflation you may notice some small changes in regards to what you are used to seeing (i.e. signage) and/or consuming (i.e. swag) at SLSC.

Hotel Information

All SkillsUSA GA participants are required to stay at the conference hotel(s). Commuting is an option for chapters within 25 miles of the Georgia World Congress Center. Every chapter must complete the hotel/transportation manifest linked here.

- 1. Omni- \$185 per night + \$5 room tax (non exempt)
- 2. Westin- \$175 per night + \$5 room tax (non exempt)

Mask Mandate

In order to host a safe in person event all conference attendees (and volunteers) will be required to wear a mask at all times during the conference. This includes official contests, general sessions, workshops and also while walking around at various conference buildings. Failure to comply will result in chapter disqualification from SkillsUSA GA Championships and will be asked to leave the conference.

Thursday Contests & Conference Agenda

Please review the tentative agenda <u>here</u>. The below contests will be held on THURSDAY(specific times to be determined, plan for mid-AM):

- 1. Automotive Refinishing
- 2. Collision Damage Appraisal
- 3. Collision & Repair
- 4. Cosmetology
- 5. Digital Cinema
- 6. Esthetics
- 7. Graphic Communications
- 8. Nails
- 9. TeamWorks
- 10. Welding Fab

PDP Test and Contest Testing

Online PDP test and contest testing: The test will be available February 7th through February 11th. More testing details will be published on January 5th on the SLSC website. Every chapter is required to submit a proctor form by February 1st. Click here for the proctor form. All conference information can be found on the SLSC website. New to our SLSC website is our Championships Lookup Tool! All contest information can be found here. We hope that this new experience enables an easy user experience.

State Leadership and Skills Conference Website

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Championships Lookup Tool

Introducing a new way to learn more about your contest! The Championships Lookup Tool displays all of the information that a student and advisor will need to know about a contest in order to be successful in one easy to digest view. Use the tool here to start exploring contests.

Click the link below to watch a tutorial on how to use the Championships Lookup Tool!

Championships Lookup Tool Tutorial

Contest Reminders

A few contest reminders:

- Only one registered competitor per contest per school unless otherwise noted.
- 2. Click here to learn how to access the SkillsUSA Technical Standards (via Absorb). Teachers who are registered professional members have access to the Technical Standards.
- 3. Tech Standards for GA Only contests can be found here.
- 4. Contest updates will be posted on this <u>website</u>.

EPIC Leadership Workshops

EPIC Leadership Workshops will be on Friday afternoon for participants who are not competing during this time. Attendees could include contestants that

competed on Thursday, early AM competitors, or voting delegates. More details to come!

State Officer Applications

Do you have an outstanding student leader in your chapter? Please encourage them to consider running for State Office! <u>Click here</u> to view the state officer application. State Applications are due January 12. Please note, SkillsUSA Advisors can receive Extended Day POW credit for having a state officer.

Voting Delegates

Please help us secure your chapter's voting delegates. Each chapter earns a specific number of voting delegates per their membership. To see how many voting delegates your chapter is eligible for <u>click here.</u> A member could attend SLSC as a voting delegate and non-competitor. There will be mandatory leadership/delegate workshops (in addition to EPIC training as indicated above) for the students to participate in on Thursday afternoon in addition to their Meet the Candidates duties.

Chapter Excellence Program

Don't forget about completing your chapter's CEP application. If you are an advisor receiving Extended Day funds, this is REQUIRED for your chapter to complete Level 1 of CEP. To learn more about CEP click here.

Chapter Recruitment Challenge

Update: The SkillsUSA Chapter Recruitment Challenge program deadline has been extended to February 1st. The winners and awards will be announced at the Opening General Session at SLSC! Good luck, everyone! To learn more, click here.

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