

SkillsUSA Events for

# Leadership and Direct-to-State Opportunities

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**\*NATIONAL STANDARDS CAN ONLY BE ACCESSED BY INSTRUCTORS WHO HAVE A CURRENT PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP.**

<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Action Skills</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	Any student receiving services under an IEP
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Individual Leadership Event
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, application, and interview.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“This contest requires a five- to seven-minute demonstration of an occupational skill in an area in which a student is training. Contestants use examples, experiments, displays or practical operations to clearly explain their skills using contestant-prepared visual aids” (Contest Descriptions).

Source: “Contest Descriptions.” SkillsUSA, [www.skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/contest-descriptions/](http://www.skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/contest-descriptions/).

<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Career Pathways Showcase</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Team Leadership Event—3 students
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based presentation, written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, application, and interview.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“Student teams use their course of study as the basis of a project that will benefit their class, school, community or industry. The project must highlight an aspect of their career cluster training. Upon completion of the project, the students will develop a display and use it within the community to explain their training and project. This contest will judge mastery of their training, its application, the project’s benefit to their community, and display and presentation techniques” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Chapter Business Procedure</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Team Leadership Event—6 students
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based, written test, and career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, application, and interview.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“Student teams of six demonstrate knowledge of parliamentary procedure in both a written exam and a team demonstration. The written exam will consist of 100 questions related to materials found in Robert’s Rules of Order—Newly Revised. Scores are averaged and included as part of the team’s overall score. During the presentation, the team will demonstrate the running of a typical business meeting using a standard order of business. During the presentation, the team must properly insert into the order of business the secretary’s minutes, treasurer’s report and business items identified by the technical committee. In addition to the debate and transaction of the business items, teams will also properly demonstrate at least six different parliamentary procedure motions, including at least one of each of the following: main, privileged, subsidiary, incidental and motions that bring back issues to the floor. Minutes of the demonstration will be read by the secretary upon completion of the demonstration.” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Chapter Display</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Team Leadership Event—3 students
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—presentation, written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, application, and interview.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“SkillsUSA student members build a three-dimensional display that articulates a national annual theme established by SkillsUSA. The team of three students builds and sets up the display and all three students present information about the display during a presentation and interview with judges” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Community Action Project</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	Any student receiving services under an IEP
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Team Leadership Event—2 students
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based, written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, application, and interview.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“A team of two students must develop, execute, document and present a completed community service project that provides a benefit to the community or the school, that demonstrates excellence and professionalism. This event also enables the community to become aware of the outstanding work being performed by career and technical education students. Open to active SkillsUSA members enrolled in career and technical programs with entry-level job skills as the occupational objective. A letter from the appropriate school official on school letterhead stating that the contestant is classified under the provisions of Public Law 105-17, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 1997, is required for participation” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Community Service</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Team Leadership Event—3 students
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based, written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, application, and interview.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“The community service competition evaluates local chapter activities that benefit the community. SkillsUSA chapters present their best community service project for the year. Contestants are evaluated on a notebook that details their chapter’s community service project and on a presentation to a panel of three judges. The competencies that are evaluated are based on the team’s professionalism in the visual representation of the project, designing and implementing an engaging presentation, and effective delivery of that presentation” (Contest Descriptions).

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**Contest Name:** Employment Application Process

**Shop Alignment:** All Technical Areas

**Eligibility:** Any student receiving services under an IEP

**Contest Type:** Individual Leadership Event

**In-House Competition:** If needed based on student interest.

**District Event:** No

**State Event:** YES—application and interview with portfolio

**National Event:** YES—application and interview with portfolio.

**Contact Person:** SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

This contest “tests the contestant’s readiness in applying for employment and their understanding of the process. The competition includes completing an application and interviewing with the judges. Their résumé and portfolio are used during their interviews. The contest is available to students who are classified under the provisions of Public Law 105-17, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 1997.” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Extemporaneous Speaking</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Individual Leadership Event
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based and written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—skill based and written career readiness test.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“The contest requires contestants to give a three- to five-minute speech on an assigned topic with five minutes of advance preparation. Contestants enter the preparation area one at a time, where they are given a speech topic. They are judged on voice, mechanics, platform deportment, organization and effectiveness” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Job Interview</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Individual Leadership Event
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based, written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, application, and interview.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

This contest is “divided into three phases: completion of employment applications; preliminary interviews with receptionist; and, in-depth interviews. Contestants are evaluated on their understanding of employment procedures faced in applying for positions in the occupational areas for which they are training” (Contest Descriptions).

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**Contest Name:                    Job Skills Demonstration A\***

**\*In Job Demo A, students demonstrate a skill from a technical program that is represented in the national competitions. In Job Demo Open, students can demonstrate any skill, especially those NOT represented in the national competitions.**

<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	Any Technical Area
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Individual
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	As needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test and 5-7 minute presentation
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, and 5-7 minute presentation
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“Contestants demonstrate and explain an entry-level skill used in the occupational area for which they are training. Competitors in Job Skill A must demonstrate a career objective in an occupational area that is included in one of the contest areas of the SkillsUSA Championships” (Contest Descriptions).

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**Contest Name:                    Job Skills Demonstration Open**

**\*In Job Demo A, students demonstrate a skill from a technical program that is represented in the national competitions. In Job Demo Open, students can demonstrate any skill or talent, especially those NOT represented in the national competitions.**

<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	Any Technical Area
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Individual
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	As needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test and 5-7 minute presentation
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test, and 5-7 minute presentation
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“Contestants demonstrate and explain an entry-level skill used in the occupational area for which they are training or outside of their training program. Any technical skill may be demonstrated” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Occupational Health and Safety</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Team Leadership Event (up to 5 members)
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—notebook, presentation, written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—notebook, presentation, written career readiness test,
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“Contestants demonstrate the safety and health endeavors of their respective technical programs by putting together a scrapbook that highlights important programs, activities and events related to their school’s health and safety program. The competition encourages chapters to be active in all phases of SkillsUSA. The health and safety activities of the chapters are evaluated on the planning and organization of four projects and the outcome of those projects. Students are interviewed and scrapbooks are scored by a panel of judges based on the quality and content of the books and on the candidates’ presentation during the interview process” (Contest Descriptions).

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Prepared Speech</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	All Technical Areas
<b>Eligibility:</b>	All Students
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Individual Leadership Event
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	If needed based on student interest.
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—skill based, written career readiness test
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—skill based, written career readiness test.
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“This contest requires students to deliver a five- to seven-minute speech on a common theme established by SkillsUSA for the current school year. Contestants are evaluated on their ability to present thoughts relating to the central theme clearly and effectively, and are rated on voice, mechanics, and platform deportment” (Contest Descriptions).

*Advisor’s Note—competitors will be required to present a 5-7 minute speech with no props whatsoever—no note cards, notes, visual aids or podium are allowed!*

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<b>Contest Name:</b>	<b>Related Technical Math</b>
<b>Shop Alignment:</b>	Any Technical Area
<b>Eligibility:</b>	Any Student Enrolled in the highest levels of math offered at GLT
<b>Contest Type:</b>	Individual
<b>In-House Competition:</b>	As needed based on student interest
<b>District Event:</b>	No
<b>State Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness test and written skill assessment
<b>National Event:</b>	YES—written career readiness and skill components
<b>Contact Person:</b>	SkillsUSA Lead Advisor

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**Official Contest Description:**

“On a written test, contestants demonstrate skills required to solve mathematical problems commonly found in the skilled trades and professional and technical occupations. Skills demonstrated include addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of whole numbers, fractions and decimals; applied word problems; percentages; ratio proportions; averages; area; volume; metric measures and traditional (Imperial) measures and trigonometry” (Contest Descriptions).

Download a sample version of a [Related Technical Math test](#).

<https://www.skillsusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/RelatedTechnicalMath.pdf>

Source: “Contest Descriptions.” SkillsUSA, [www.skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/contest-descriptions/](http://www.skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/contest-descriptions/).