

SkillsUSA Tennessee Postsecondary

UPDATE

SkillsUSA State Conference

Chattanooga Convention Center

March 31-April 3, 2019

1150 Carter Street

Chattanooga, TN 37402

[Registration](#) Fees: **\$110** per attendee *applies to advisors, observers, and competitors
Fee includes Aquarium Tour, Awards Ceremony Breakfast, Conference T-Shirt, State Trading Pin, #REDisMYcolor Pin, Conference Competition Transportation, and Convention Center costs.

*If you have a spouse, parent or other guest who would like to come to either the aquarium or awards ceremony, which are access-restricted activities, you can add the options under any student or advisor's registration.

**Competitors have an additional \$15 fee to cover consumables and other related contest expenses*

Tennessee TECHSPO & Meet the Employer Event

The SkillsUSA Tennessee TECHSPO is an opportunity for your business or organization to reach an audience of more than 2,500 high school and college students, teachers, and advisors who focus on Career and Technical Education. [Recruit exhibitors](#) and earn money for your SkillsUSA registration fees!

Championships Contest Updates for Tennessee

The state contests will follow the [SkillsUSA Championship Technical Standards](#) as much as possible. Contestants should check the [National Contest Updates](#) page often for the latest information. Any variations to national technical standards and/or national contest updates at our state competitions due to time or limited resources will be posted on the [State Contest Updates](#) page. Contestants and advisors should check this page often for the latest updates which will be posted as soon as they become available.

2019 SkillsUSA SLSC **TENTATIVE** Agenda

Sunday, March 31, 2019

3:00 PM - 7:00 PM Hotel Check in, Registration in Pre-function Area of Convention Center

3:30 PM - 6:00 PM High School State Officer Screening/Interviews

Monday, April 1, 2019

8:00 AM - 11:30 PM Registration in Pre-function Area of Convention Center

**Select competitions begin on Monday (Welding, Commercial Baking, AV)*

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Competition Orientations (Specific Times and Location TBD)

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM- Tennessee TECHSPO

5:30 PM- Secondary Kickoff at Tennessee Aquarium/Voting Delegate Meet and Greet
(Arrive between 5:00 and 5:30 tour until 8:30 pm)

6:30 PM- Postsecondary Kickoff at Tennessee Aquarium

(Arrive between 6:00 and 6:30 tour until 9:30 pm)

11:00 PM- Curfew

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

7:00 AM - 7:30 AM -Breakfast for Contest Coordinators and Judges

8:30 AM- 2:00 PM – Championships (Offsite competitors leave at 7:00 AM, Open Observation)

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Tennessee TECHSPO

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM High School Voting Delegate Session Campaign Speeches

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM High School Voting Delegate Meet the Candidates Session

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM High School Voting Delegate Voting Polls

3:00 PM- 5:00 PM Meet the Employer Event (Postsecondary and Senior Secondary Students)

6:00 PM- 8:00 PM VIP Reception (Invitation Only)

11:00 PM Curfew

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Awards Ceremony and Breakfast (Doors open at 8:00 AM)

12:00 PM - 12:30 PM Mandatory National Leadership & Skills Conference Advisor Meeting

SkillsUSA State Conference Update

The SkillsUSA **Monday Night Postsecondary Kickoff Ceremony** at Tennessee Aquarium will be held from 6:30-9:30 p.m. You must have your conference T-shirt and badge to enter. The dress code for the aquarium is the SkillsUSA conference T-shirt worn with either khaki or black pants. Blue jeans are not allowed. Advisors can add aquarium tickets to the school's registration for guests who only want to attend the aquarium.

The SkillsUSA Wednesday morning Breakfast and Awards Ceremony: will be held at Chattanooga Convention Center Exhibit Hall A starting at 8:30 a.m. Doors will open at 8 a.m. The cost of the breakfast is included in the conference registration fee. Advisors can add breakfast tickets to their school's registration for guests who only want to attend the awards ceremony. **Contestants must either be in Official or Contest Dress to go on stage.** Advisors, chaperones, guests should dress business casual. Jeans are prohibited.

Retrieving Scores from State Championships

In order to retrieve your students' scores after the state championships, please follow the following procedure:

- Register the student in the online registration with an accurate birth date.
- Two weeks after the close of the conference, visit <http://www.skillsusa-register.org/rpts/EventScoreDetails.aspx>
- Select the appropriate conference and year.
- Select the appropriate contest.
- Enter the contestant number (the badge number given at the conference).
- Enter the birth date you entered when registering the student.
- Click "View Scores."

SkillsUSA State Contest Exams Update

The SkillsUSA Tennessee State Association will not host or require any exams to be given prior to the state conference. Currently, Related Technical Math, Medical Math, Medical Terminology, and Quiz Bowl will have a written exam for 2019. The Quiz Bowl

exam will be given on Monday afternoon March 31 as part of the contest orientation session. For the contests not listed above that have a written exam, the exam may be given as part of the state contest on April 1-2 as determined by the contest chair. It is recommended that contestants bring a pencil to their competition.

Additionally, SkillsUSA Tennessee will provide our gold medalists with either a copy of our old exam to study and/or a voucher for the SkillConnect exam related to their contest to assist with preparing for national competition. We are confident this will provide our contestants with the opportunity to prepare for the written exam portion at nationals that may not be included at state level due to our time constraints.

New Competition Updates

Contest Theme

Theme for 2018-19 Announced

The SkillsUSA competition theme is used throughout the year in our membership materials and as the topic for Chapter Display, Prepared Speech and Promotional Bulletin Board competitions at local, state and national levels. The SkillsUSA competition theme for the 2019 year is:

SkillsUSA: Champions at Work Career-Ready Starts Here

Résumé Requirement

All competitors must create a one-page hard copy résumé and submit this to the technical committee chair at the contest orientation. Failure to do so will result in a 10 point penalty. Competitors can bring a résumé to the contest on the day of competition however, the penalty will remain in effect.

Collision Damage Appraisal

[Collision Damage Appraisal Technical Standards](#)

Cyber Security- Computer security, also known as cyber security or IT security, is the protection of information systems from theft or damage to the hardware, the software, and to the information on them, as well as from disruption or misdirection of the services they provide.

[Cyber Security guidelines](#)

[Cyber Security overview](#)

Esthetics

The 2019 SkillsUSA NLSC Esthetics Fantasy Makeup theme is – **Optical Illusion**.

Residential Systems Installation and Maintenance

This contest is now called Internet of Things and Smart Home.

Restaurant Services 11/8/18

This change is to level the requirements for all. There will also be a 1-year grace period to allow everyone time to make the adjustment.

CLOTHING REQUIREMENT

Official SkillsUSA white long-sleeved dress shirt; black dress slacks with belt; plain black tie with no pattern or SkillsUSA black tie; shined, non-skid black leather work shoes with black socks that cover the ankle. Non-bib Bistro aprons are the official apron for food and beverage service and are required. Waiter's jackets, bow ties, vests, cummerbunds or half aprons are not permitted

Join as a professional member to have access to the [2019 SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards](#) from which the contests will be based.

Championships Clothing and Tools App Updated

SkillsUSA has updated the "SkillsUSA: Clothing and Tools" app for 2019. This is a great starter resource, but it *does not replace* the *SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards*. Instead, it connects users to SkillsUSA's membership site, where educators can join as professional members to receive the full standards at no charge.

For each contest, the app includes an overview, clothing requirements, and eligibility and safety guidelines, as well as lists the specific tools, equipment or materials that contestants need to provide. It is offered completely free of charge for students, instructors and SkillsUSA business partners. The app is available now in both the [Apple Store](#) and the [Google Play Store](#). This app was created and sponsored by [Pearson](#).

SkillsUSA SLSC App

SkillsUSA Tennessee is launching a new state conference mobile app. The app is available now in both the [Apple Store](#) and the [Google Play Store](#). As conference details

are released, the app will update with new data. The state conference schedule is available now in our mobile app.

SkillsUSA Remind Text Updates

To receive text updates for the SkillsUSA Tennessee State Leadership and Skills Conference, please click [here](#).

Best Way to Build a Successful SkillsUSA Chapter

Start your SkillsUSA Chapter Excellence Program (CEP) application today and earn recognition for your chapter. The online [application](#) is on the main page of the membership registration site once you log into your school account.

If you are new to CEP, then check out the [toolkit of resources](#).

For questions or help, call the SkillsUSA Hotline at 844-875-4557 or [email](#).

Please note that the advisor recognition and mega prizes reception at the national conference will now be based on your chapter completing a CEP application.

SkillsUSA Membership Hotline

For questions on how to start a new chapter, engage chapter members, and strengthen an existing chapter, call the SkillsUSA Membership Hotline at (844) 875-4557. Operators are on call from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. EST Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and from 11 a.m.–7 p.m. EST Tuesday and Thursday. You can also send the operators an email at membership@skillsusa.org.

Upcoming Dates and Deadlines

- March 1: Chapter Excellence Program Deadline
- March 1: SkillsUSA Membership Deadline
- March 5: SkillsUSA State Conference Registration Closes
- March 5: SLSC [Online Hotel Registration](#) Opens (10 a.m. EST)
- Mar. 11: State Conference Payment Deadline
- Mar. 11: SLSC Online Hotel Registration Closes (11:59 p.m. EST)
- Mar. 31-April 3: State Leadership and Skills Conference
- May 10: NLSC Registration and Hotel Rooming List Deadline
- Jun. 24-28: National Leadership and Skills Conference

For the latest information on event dates, visit <http://www.tnpskillsusa.org>