



**SkillsUSA Tennessee Postsecondary  
State Leadership and Skills Conference Guide  
2022**



## CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

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SkillsUSA Tennessee is heading back to Chattanooga, TN, April 10-13, 2022, for the annual State Leadership and Skills Conference (SLSC), a showcase of career and technical education students. More than 2,000 people — including students, teachers and business partners — are expected to participate in the event.



The SkillsUSA Championships will be offered in a hybrid format providing the opportunity for more students across the state to participate in our Championships! Skilled contests will be conducted in-person in Chattanooga on Monday and Tuesday while many leadership contests will be conducted online ahead of the conference. Throughout the Championships outstanding career and technical education students will compete in a variety of trade, technical and leadership fields. Students work against the clock and each other, proving their expertise in occupations such as electronics, computer-aided drafting, precision machining, medical assisting and culinary arts. Contests are run with the help of industry, trade associations and labor organizations, and test competencies are set by industry. Leadership contestants will demonstrate skills including extemporaneous speaking and conducting meetings by parliamentary procedure.

The conference caps off with the Grand Awards Ceremony, which takes place on Wednesday morning.

<b>DATE</b>	April 10-13, 2022
<b>LOCATION</b>	Chattanooga Convention Center 1 Carter Street Chattanooga, TN 37402
<b>THEME</b>	SkillsUSA: United as One

## CONFERENCE AGENDA

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### Sunday, April 10, 2022

Registration 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Monday, April 11, 2022

Registration 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Tennessee TECHSPO 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Orientation Meetings 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Championships 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Opening Kickoff @ Tennessee Aquarium 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Championships 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Tennessee TECHSPO 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meet the Employer 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Awards and Recognition Banquet 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. *(Invitation Only)*

### Wednesday, April 13, 2022

Grand Awards Ceremony 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

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### REGISTRATION DATES

February 16 – March 1, 2022

### REGISTRATION WEBSITE

<https://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx>

### REGISTRATION FEE

Contestants: \$125

Advisors: \$125

Observers: \$125

Courtesy Corps: \$125

Online Contestant Add-on: \$75

### REGISTRATION PAYMENT

Registration fees will be paid through LGIP transfer. TBR colleges should not send payment. Institutions outside the TBR system will be sent an invoice for payment.

### IMPORTANT NOTES

- All attendees must register for the State Leadership and Skills Conference.
- All chapters must register one advisor per every ten student attendees.
- No changes allowed after the registration deadline.
- No refunds will be made for those who are registered but do not attend.

## HOTEL INFORMATION

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### HOTEL BOOKING PROCESS

The hotel booking platform will open on Monday, March 7 at 8:00 a.m. CST and close on Friday, March 11 at 5:00 p.m. CST. A link will be sent to advisors to access the hotel booking platform. All conference attendees must stay in an approved conference hotel.

### CONFERENCE HOTELS

The Westin Chattanooga \$189\*

Days Inn \$147\*

Doubletree by Hilton Chattanooga \$152\*

Hampton Inn & Suites Downtown \$152\*

Hilton Garden Inn Downtown \$152\*

Holiday Inn & Suites Downtown \$152\*

Chattanooga Marriott Downtown \$162\*

The Read House \$157\*

Staybridge Suites Downtown \$160\*

*\*Plus applicable taxes*

### HOTEL PAYMENT

Hotel payments are due directly to each hotel. Contact the hotel for information regarding requirements for pre-payment and tax exemption.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS

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The SkillsUSA Tennessee Championships are the preeminent showcase of public technical education in the state of Tennessee. Each spring students from across the state gather at the State Leadership and Skills Conference to compete in more than 100 different leadership and career competitions. These competitions recognize career and technical students who excel in their occupational areas, as well as in the leadership development activities that are such an integral part of the SkillsUSA program.

- All contestants must be registered for their competitive event through the [registration site](#) by March 1, 2022.
- Contestants may enter only one event.
  - *Exception: Contestants competing in an Online State Contest may enter a State Contest at the State Leadership and Skills Conference if they do not win Gold in the Online Contest.*
- Each college may enter 4 contestants/teams per contest.
  - *Exception: Welding – 2 contestants per college  
Welding Fabrication – 2 teams per college*

- Any contest requiring a written exam will be taken online ahead of the State Leadership and Skills Conference. The testing window will be open Monday, March 14 – Friday, March 25, 2022. Contestants and Advisors will receive login information and credentials for the online testing platform. Each college should provide a proctor for the online exam.
- All competitors must create a one-page hard copy resume and submit to the technical committee chair at the contest orientation. Failure to do so will result in a 10 point penalty.
- Clothing Classifications for the SkillsUSA Championships may be accessed [here](#).
- Gold medalists in each contest qualify to compete at the National Leadership and Skills Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, June 20-24, 2022.

## **TECHNICAL STANDARDS**

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All state contests are modeled after and will follow the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards as much as possible. Some contests will vary as needed.

The SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards is the official competition guide for the SkillsUSA Championships and is newly revised. It contains rules for all national events, including an overview, lists of technical skills and knowledge required, clothing requirements, eligibility, and equipment lists. It also lists the embedded academic skills in math, English and science.

As a free member benefit, SkillsUSA professional members receive the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards when they have submitted a current and accurate email address with their membership details. The guide is available online to professional members as part of the paid membership. Visit: [www.skillsusa-register.org/ProfessionalBenefitsLogin](http://www.skillsusa-register.org/ProfessionalBenefitsLogin)

## **CONTEST UPDATES**

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As contest updates are received from technical committees and the national office, those updates will be posted to the [contest updates webpage](#). Check back often for new updates which may include contest projects or other important information.

## **STATE COURTESY CORPS**

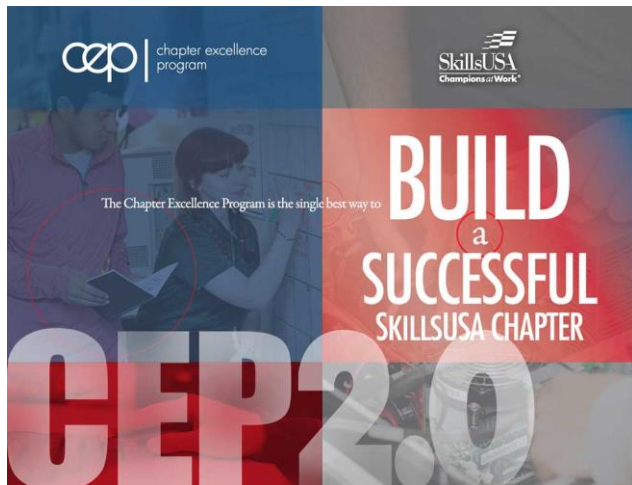
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The State Courtesy Corps is composed of student members who have the desire to serve and develop their leadership skills at the State Leadership and Skills Conference. Courtesy Corps members are students who are attending the conference, but not participating in competitive events. These individuals are afforded the opportunity to

work with and build a network of industry and educational resources while gaining skills, leadership qualities, developing friendships and having fun as they support the conference in a variety of ways. Each college may register students to serve on the Courtesy Corps through the State Leadership and Skills Conference registration site.

## CHAPTER EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

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The Chapter Excellence Program (CEP) recognizes achievement as it relates to the integration of the SkillsUSA Framework in chapter program of work activities. As a chapter's yearly action plan, the program of work is at the heart of student learning and employability development. By using the Framework as a guide, chapters have a blueprint for creating relevant activities that encourage participation and foster an understanding of student learning attained during each activity. Using the Framework, the program of work becomes the vital conduit that links students to the application of personal, workplace and technical skills demanded by industry. The SkillsUSA trifecta for student success!

Every chapter is encouraged to participate in CEP and there are three award levels to recognize program involvement. The first two levels are acknowledged by a chapter's state association and the third level is recognized nationally. Each level is designed to give chapters a benchmark for success and future improvement, leading to stronger chapters and more prepared students. The more a chapter applies the Framework, the greater the chance for CEP honors.

All chapters who submit a CEP application and achieve "Quality Chapter" or "Chapter of Distinction" will be invited to attend the **Awards and Recognition Banquet** at the State Leadership and Skills Conference. Each chapter being recognized will receive a select number of invitations. ***Please note, this is an invitation only event.***

More information for the Chapter Excellence Program may be accessed [here](#). Deadline to apply is **March 1, 2022**.

## ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

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The SkillsUSA Advisor of the Year program recognizes Professional members who actualize the organization's mission of empowering students to become world-class workers, leaders, and responsible American citizens. A SkillsUSA chapter is only successful with the support of an Advisor who has dedicated themselves to career and technical education by intentionally integrating the SkillsUSA Framework and ensuring students can articulate the skills they have developed. State recipients are submitted to the regional competition. During NLSC, regional winners are interviewed, and a national winner is selected.

The Advisor of the Year will be recognized at the ***Awards and Recognition Banquet*** at the State Leadership and Skills Conference.

More information for the Advisor of the Year program may be accessed [here](#).  
Deadline to apply is **March 1, 2022**.

## IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

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February 1	Online State Contest Registration Opens
February 15	Online State Contest Registration Deadline
February 15	Online State Contest Materials Submission Deadline
February 16	State Leadership and Skills Conference Registration Opens
February 22-23	Online State Contests – Virtual Presentations/Exam Window
March 1	Membership Deadline
March 1	State Leadership and Skills Conference Registration Deadline
March 1	Chapter Excellence Program Application Deadline
March 1	Advisor of the Year Application Deadline
March 7-11	Hotel Booking Platform Open (Link will be sent via email)
March 14-25	Written Exam Testing Window
April 10-13	State Leadership and Skills Conference
June 20-24	National Leadership and Skills Conference