

# SkillsUSA Florida

## 2018 – 2019 Chapter Success Guide



Hello, Champion!

Welcome to SkillsUSA! Whether this is your first year, or your 40<sup>th</sup> year, I am excited that you have decided to embark on this journey for the 2018-2019 school year. Being a SkillsUSA advisor gave me a new perspective on my students, and new ways to connect with them. We worked together to build them into the leaders of tomorrow, not only fine-tuning their technical skills, but also their personal and workplace skills. I want to provide you with the tools to guide your students to success – to make them Champions at Work!

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers, and industry, working together to prepare America's Skilled Workforce to be job-ready, day one. We provide opportunities for leadership and skill development through a variety of events, workshops, and trainings. Beginning in September, students and advisors can attend events in Washington, DC, Louisville, KY, and all over the state of Florida.

The Chapter Success Guide looks a little different this year, and will be available online as a working document. Updates will be posted here as information comes to the state office, and will hopefully be a regular and beneficial resource for you. At the beginning of each section, you'll find some bullet points with the most important information with a more detailed explanation below. Use the navigation bar to the left to skip to different sections.

I hope that the information here will help you establish your chapter and be successful throughout the year. Be sure to follow SkillsUSA Florida on social media and subscribe to the Tuesday Times newsletter! Reach out anytime with questions – I am here to help!

Thank you for being a Champion for your students!

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[www.skillsusaf.org](http://www.skillsusaf.org)

### National ACTE Website:

[www.ACTEonline.org](http://www.ACTEonline.org)

### Florida ACTE Website:

[www.FACTE.org](http://www.FACTE.org)

To sign up for the Tuesday Times: <http://eepurl.com/Myuy9>

### Membership and Conference Registration:

[www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org)

### Scorecards and Scoring Information:

[www.skillsusa-register.org/rpts/EventScoreDetails.aspx](http://www.skillsusa-register.org/rpts/EventScoreDetails.aspx)

## Social Media:

### Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/SkillsUSAFlorida](http://www.facebook.com/SkillsUSAFlorida)

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## Payment Information – Where to Send Money:

### Membership fees:

Checks made out to: SkillsUSA  
Mail to: SkillsUSA Inc.  
14001 SkillsUSA Way  
Leesburg, VA

### State Conference fees (spring and fall):

Checks made out to: SkillsUSA Florida  
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4446 Hendricks Ave PMB 229  
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Fall Conference: TBD

Spring Conference: February 20, 2019  
Location: Pensacola State College

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Mail to: Kathy McLain  
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Fall Conference: September 21, 2018  
Location: Marion Technical Institute

Spring Conference: TBD

#### Region 3:

Checks made out to: SkillsUSA Florida  
Mail to: TBD

Fall Conference: September 22, 2018  
Location: Lyman High School

Spring Conference: February 20-21, 2019  
Location: Orange Technical College - Mid-Florida,  
Orlando, and Westside Campuses

#### Region 4:

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New Port Richey, FL 34653

Fall Conference: TBD

Spring Conference: February 16, 2019  
Location: Marchman Technical College

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5400 Sheridan St  
Hollywood, FL 33021

Fall Conference: September 14, 2018  
Location: TBD

Spring Conference: February 4 – 5, 2019  
Location: Atlantic Technical College, Sheridan  
Technical College, McFatter Technical College

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Fall Conference: TBD

Spring Conference: February 7, 2018  
Location: Manatee Technical College

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**National Conference fees and travel:** TBD

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## Registration Website Information

- Use [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org) to register for membership. Only advisors (no students) should be accessing the membership website
- Dues: \$16 per student, \$28 per professional (1 professional per training program)
- Professional dues include access to Technical Standards, Jump into STEM curriculum, and the Career Essentials: Foundations curriculum
- Use page 24 to collect student information. Name badges are generated as they are entered into this system
- Membership deadline is February 1, 2019

Membership, conference, event, and any other SkillsUSA-related registration happens through the SkillsUSA CMS system at [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org). Please do not share your login information with students. Registrations should only be entered by the advisor or other school official. By entering and submitting information on this website, the school is committing to any bills or invoices generated by the system. It is best to assign this role to one person to avoid any unnecessary errors. Membership Cards are available for download on the SkillsUSA Florida website.

The membership fee is \$16 for students and \$28 for professionals. At least one advisor per training program should be registered as a member of SkillsUSA. Professional membership includes the Technical Standards (available online for download), Jump Into STEM! Curriculum, and the Career Essentials: Foundations curriculum.

When you enter members online, you can use the member information collection form on page 24 to streamline the process. Enter all students and their information on the website, making sure that their home address, birthdate, and email address are correct. Name badges for all events will be generated using the information inputted into the system. This means if there is a misspelling of a student's name, it will print with the error on the name badge. Once all students are entered, click on Submit Registration, and follow the prompts indicating how you will pay for the membership. **It is important to remember that once the membership is submitted, you are not able to make changes to the registration.** Once membership is submitted, the system will generate an invoice in a pop-up window, and will also email an invoice to you. This invoice is paid to the national office in Leesburg, VA, and checks should be made out to SkillsUSA. If you have made a spelling error, please email [jgraber@skillsusafl.org](mailto:jgraber@skillsusafl.org) and include the student's training program, current spelling, as it appears on the website, and the correct spelling.

***Membership MUST be submitted by February 1 for students to be eligible for Regional, State, and National competitions.***

If you are participating in a Total Participation Plan or Campus Affiliation agreement, do not submit membership until your application has been received, processed and approved. See page 9 for more information on TPP/CA contracts.



## Event Registration

- Register for all regional and state events at [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org)
- Email addresses for all advisors and chaperones are extra helpful! Email addresses for students are more awesome!
- Birthdate entered here will be used to access scorecards and MUST be accurate

When you are registering for events, you will use the same system at [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org). Select the student's name from the drop-down menu and ensure that all the information is correct. Select a shirt size for each entrant. This does not guarantee a shirt at an event but does make sure that if a shirt is provided, we have the proper size available. Please enter an email address for each professional registrant.

You can duplicate registrations for multiple events, which can save you from re-entering information. Most leadership events require that students be submitted (or "joined") members before they are permitted to register; ALL competitive events require submitted membership.

Be sure that you enter information correctly when you register students. In order to access scorecards from competitions, students must enter their birthdate, as it is entered in the CMS system. Scorecards are released 1-2 weeks after competition ends. They may not be available for all Regional competitions; please contact your Regional Coordinator for more information.

## Total Participation Plan and Campus Affiliation

- [Total Participation Plan \(TPP\)](#) is for high school chapters with more than 25 members
- [Campus Affiliation Plan](#) is for college/post-secondary chapters with more than 100 members
- TPP: Pay affiliation fee and educational resource credit instead of regular registration costs (may allow for alternative funding for membership)
- Campus Affiliation: Pay affiliation fee instead of regular registration costs

The Total Participation Plan (TPP) provides opportunity for chapters with more than 25 student members to pay a single affiliation fee based on the number of students registered, plus an educational resource credit per student. The credit is \$5.95 per student for the 2018-2019 school year. TPP is for high school and middle school chapters. View the plan pricing and registration information at <https://bit.ly/2nkSy4u>.

The educational resource credit may be used to purchase a variety of resources, including the new Career Essentials: Experiences curriculum. Please visit [www.skillsusa.org/store](http://www.skillsusa.org/store) to view available materials.

The Campus Affiliation Plan is designed for college/post-secondary campuses to provide SkillsUSA membership to all students enrolled in CTE courses. There is no educational resource credit for this plan, and the affiliation fee is based on the number of students registered. This is also an affordable alternative for chapters with a minimum of 101 student members. View the plan pricing and registration information at <https://bit.ly/2vw3gtz>.

If your school has both high school and college/post-secondary students, you are eligible for a TPP agreement.

Applications for both TPP and CA are available online at [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org). There is no paper submission for this contract. All submissions must be approved by advisor, administration, State Director, and National staff before members can be registered.

**Membership FAQs:** Online: [www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/membership-faq/](http://www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/membership-faq/)

**Membership Hotline:** 1-800-355-8422, [membership@skillsusa.org](mailto:membership@skillsusa.org)

## SkillsUSA Basics

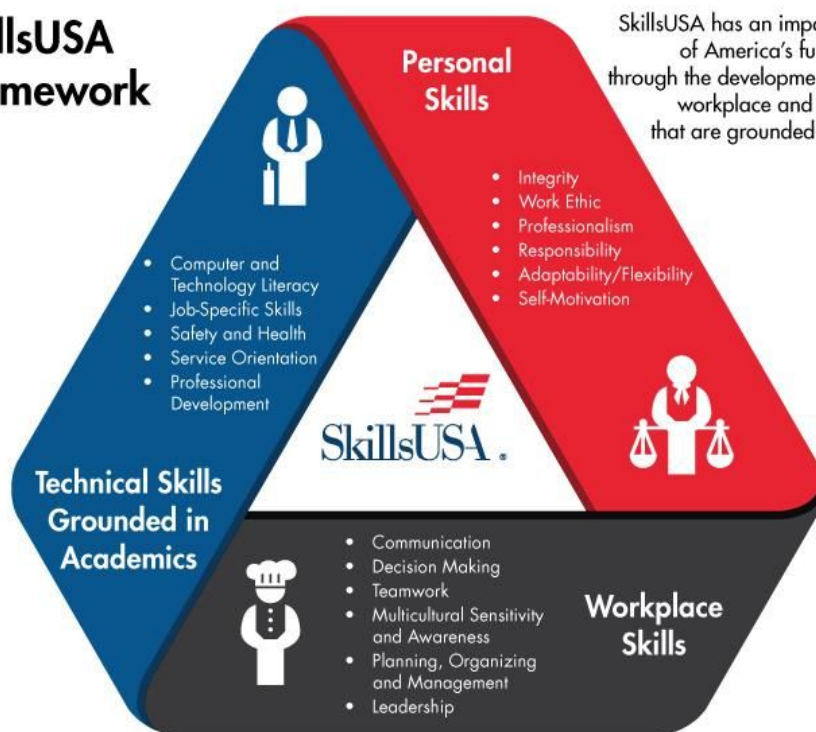
The SkillsUSA Framework illustrates how students fulfill the mission of the organization “to empower its members to become world class workers and responsible American citizens.

- Provides a **common language** for students to articulate what they gain from SkillsUSA participation to employers, school administrators, parents and other students
- **Assesses student skill development** along a learning continuum of awareness, demonstration and mastery
- Creates a **vision for SkillsUSA programs** at the local, state and national levels to ensure quality student-led experiences that build skills in all members

### Why it works:

- Empowers every student to achieve career success
- Delivers a skill set **demanding by business and industry** but lacking in many employees today
- Ensures that every student member receives a **consistent and specific** skill set

## SkillsUSA Framework



## The SkillsUSA Framework Infusion in Events

The SkillsUSA Framework is central in achieving our mission and infused into each event throughout the year. Students have a variety of opportunities to engage with their peers and grow their Personal, Workplace, and Technical Skills Grounded in Academics.

This is not an exhaustive list of available trainings and events. Refer to the SkillsUSA Florida calendar online at [www.skillsusaf1.org](http://www.skillsusaf1.org), or see page 12.

## Personal Skills

In September, each Region facilitates a Regional Leadership Training Workshop. During these conferences, students and advisors participate in networking activities, leadership trainings, and other leadership activities. It is geared towards all levels of experience, and are a great introduction for students who have not been exposed to SkillsUSA before. The dates vary by region, so contact your Regional Coordinator for more information.

By identifying and growing each student's talents and abilities, they grow as individuals toward becoming career-ready. SkillsUSA offers advanced training for students and advisors that focuses on the skills needed to be champions at work, in the communities and in their personal lives.

SkillsUSA members from across the country will attend the Washington Leadership Training Institute in Washington D.C. on September 22-26, 2017. Student attendees must apply to attend the conference, which will focus on developing advanced leadership, citizenship and employability skills. Students and advisors advocate for Career and Technical Education by meeting with the senators and representatives from their state, as well as participate in a variety of sessions designed to bring out their best inner leader. Contact Jessica Donelan ([jgraber@skillsusafl.org](mailto:jgraber@skillsusafl.org)) or Dave Moye ([dmoye@skillsusafl.org](mailto:dmoye@skillsusafl.org)) for more information or to apply.

## Workplace Skills

In October, the State Leadership Training Workshop (SLTW) is held in Leesburg, FL at Lake Yale Conference Center. Perfect for chapter officers, Regional Officers, and future State Officer Candidates, this event focuses on building and growing a successful chapter by creating a Program of Work.

Do you have students who work hard, have a great attitude, and like working as a team? Courtesy Corps is a great way to be involved and help behind the scenes during State Conference. Interviews occur at SLTW to select the leadership team for Courtesy Corps. Applications are available online at [www.skillsusafl.org](http://www.skillsusafl.org).

Running concurrently, the Chapter Management Institute is a great opportunity for new, nearly new, and not-so-new advisors to learn the ins and outs of SkillsUSA, what it takes to run a successful chapter, and how to incorporate SkillsUSA in the classroom. Each advisor will receive over \$150 in educational resources and turn-key lessons. This is a great chance to network with other advisors, and work to complete levels 1 and 2 of the Chapter Excellence Program.

## Technical Skills Grounded in Academics

Beginning in January and continuing through February, Regional Conferences are held across the state where students compete for a spot at the State Conference, which is held in April. Dates for Regional Conferences vary by region, so contact your Regional Coordinator for more information (see page 4).

In April, the State Leadership and Skills Conference will be held in Pensacola, FL. Students must qualify for a chance to compete at the State Conference, and gold medal winners at the State level can qualify for a spot competing at the National Conference. The State Conference hosts around 80 different contests from all career clusters, ranging from Welding and Carpentry to Culinary Arts and Cosmetology, to Health Sciences and Information Technology. Information on the contests is accessible online with a Professional membership.

The National Leadership and Skills Conference is held in Louisville, KY in June each year. At the State Conference, there is a meeting following the awards ceremony for all Gold Medalists and their advisors for more information on registration for the National Conference.

# SkillsUSA Florida Calendar of Events

2018 – 2019

## 2018

June 1 – 2	Board of Directors' Meeting	Eustis, FL
June 25 – 29	National Leadership and Skills Conference	Louisville, KY
July 15 – 19	State Officer Training (Invitation Only)	Oviedo, FL
July 16 – 18	FACTE Conference & Trade Show	Orlando, FL
August 24 – 25	Board of Directors' Meeting	TBD
September	Regional Leadership Training Workshop	By Region
September 22 – 26	Washington Leadership Training Institute	Washington D.C.
October 22 – 24	State Leadership Training Workshop and Chapter Management Institute	Leesburg, FL

## 2019

January 11 – 12	Board of Directors' Meeting	TBD
February 1	State and National Membership Deadline *Late registrations are not allowed to compete*	Online
February	Regional Leadership and Skills Conferences	By Region
February	CTE Day on the Hill	Tallahassee, FL
April 7 – 9	State Leadership and Skills Conference	Pensacola, FL
May 31 – June 1	Board of Directors' Meeting	TBD
June 24 – 28	National Leadership and Skills Conference	Louisville, KY
July TBD	State Officer Training (Invitation Only)	Oviedo, FL
August 23 – 24	Board of Directors' Meeting	TBD
September	Regional Leadership Training Workshop	By Region
September 21 - 25	Washington Leadership Training Institute	Washington D.C.
October TBD	State Leadership Training Workshop and Chapter Management Institute	Leesburg, FL

## State Leadership Training Workshop (SLTW)

- October 22-24, 2018, Leesburg, FL
- Personal leadership and professional development
- \$315-375 per student (based on occupancy)
- Registration and Rooming List Deadline: September 28, 2018
- [Conference Information Sheet](#)
- Rooming List Information

SkillsUSA Florida's annual Fall Leadership Conference will be held on October 22-24, 2018 at Lake Yale Conference Center in Leesburg, FL. Students will learn how to establish and grow a successful chapter, create a Program of Work, and bring out the leader in themselves and others.

Registration is \$315 per person for rooms of 2-3 (1 twin and 1 full) or \$375 per person for single occupancy. The cost includes all conference materials, lodging, meals, and conference t-shirt. The Tuesday Times is the best source of information on this and all events sponsored by SkillsUSA Florida.

Registration opens August 20 and closes September 28. Payment is due to the State Office by October 8. More information is available via the Tuesday Times and the State website. Register online at [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org) and select the appropriate event.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR 2019: October 21-23, 2019 @ Lake Yale Conference Center in Leesburg, FL**

## Chapter Management Institute (CMI)

- October 22-24, 2018, Leesburg, FL
- Professional development and incorporating SkillsUSA into the classroom
- \$415-475 per professional (based on occupancy)
- Includes over \$100 in educational resources, including voucher to access Career Essentials Experiences
- [Conference Information Sheet](#)

Each year, advisors meet in October during the State Leadership Training Workshop to learn about SkillsUSA and how to implement educational resources in the classroom. Sometimes the most beneficial learnings occur through networking with other advisors, and CMI provides a great chance to meet with other advisors at the beginning of the school year.

This year's Chapter Management Institute will be held concurrently with SLTW on October 22-24 in Leesburg, FL at Lake Yale Conference Center. It is ideal to bring students to attend SLTW while their advisor(s) attend CMI, but is not required. All students must have a chaperone from their school. SLTW is ideal for the obvious leaders in your chapter, but also for the leaders who may need to be coaxed from their shell.

Some topics that will be covered at CMI include the New Career Essentials curriculum, the Chapter Excellence Program, and SkillsUSA Championships information. Advisors will have the chance to work toward completing levels 1 and 2 of the Chapter Excellence Program. Registration opens in August, and the cost for advisors is \$415 - \$475, based on occupancy, and includes all conference materials, lodging, meals, and conference t-shirt.

Information about the event and registration is released via the Tuesday Times newsletter.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR 2019: October 21-23, 2019 @ Lake Yale Conference Center in Leesburg, FL**

## SkillsUSA Florida State Leadership and Skills Conference (SLSC)

The State Leadership and Skills Conference is held each April and brings together students from around the state to compete for a spot at the National Leadership and Skills Conference.

In 2019, SLSC will be held on April 7-9 in Pensacola, FL. Locations will include the Pensacola Bay Center, Pensacola State College campuses, and a variety of other contest sites. Opening Ceremony will begin on Sunday, April 7 at 8PM. Contests will begin on both Monday and Tuesday at 8AM. Champions' Night and Closing Ceremony will be held Monday and Tuesday evenings, respectively. Wednesday will be a travel day. More information, including registration, hotel, and contest details, will be released in February.

At SLSC, students not only have a chance to compete, but also to participate in Delegate Sessions, where they conduct voting for State Officers, and participate in legislative process for our organization. Delegate counts are dependent on membership for each chapter. See below for number of allowed delegates by membership counts.

Also available for students is Aim Hire, professional development sessions, and Give and Grow, our community service project. Worlds of Possibilities Career Expo will be held concurrently with the conference, offering the chance for our students and advisors to meet with potential future employers and participate in hands-on demonstrations and activities with business partners like Gulf Power, Rush Enterprises, Fastenal, and more.

A list of currently offered contests at the State Leadership and Skills Conference is included on the following page. Please contact your Regional Coordinator for more information on contests offered at the Regional level. Technical Standards are available online with Professional membership. These standards include supply lists, benchmarks, required skills, and more.

Registration begins in February. Hotel blocks are released once all Regional conferences have concluded. Hotel arrangements for conference attendees must be made within the SkillsUSA room blocks. Each school should plan to stay at one property. Chapters needing 25 or more rooms should contact the State Director as soon as possible to arrange for access. Each chapter must complete the [Conference Transportation Survey](#) along with registration.

Registration fee is \$110 for each student, chaperone, advisor, or other conference attendee. The fee includes one lunch ticket, conference pin and lanyard, Worlds of Possibilities admission, conference transportation, Opening and Closing ceremony access, and a social event. The student social event will be held at Seville Quarter with a variety of activities, food, and more. Advisors are invited to attend a special reception within walking distance of the student event.

Advisors are also invited to attend a luncheon during the conference in appreciation of their efforts throughout the year, and to also participate in voting for Advisor-at-Large positions on the Board of Directors.

### Delegate Counts:

7-12 members	1 Delegate
13-24 members	2 Delegates
25-49 members	3 Delegates
50-79 members	4 Delegates
80-200 members	5 Delegates
201+ members	1 Delegate per 100 additional members

## Contest List

The contests listed on the following page will be offered at the State Leadership and Skills Conference in 2018. Contests listed in **bold** are Florida Only contests, and do not advance to NLSC. Each contest will be held, provided that minimum registration requirements are met. Advisors will be contacted directly if a contest will not be held at the state level once registration has closed.

Technical standards are available for all contests with professional membership. Get more information on accessing the Technical Standards at: <https://bit.ly/2OITD7G>. All contests at SLSC will follow the National standards as much as possible. Contests may be shortened for time constraints, or may be altered to accommodate the available space, materials, or equipment. Any updates to the Technical Standards and supply lists for state contests will be posted online at [www.skillsusaf1.org/stateconference/contest-updates/](http://www.skillsusaf1.org/stateconference/contest-updates/). Check this page regularly. Updates will be posted at least 3 weeks before the conference begins. All updates within 2 weeks of the conference will be sent via email directly to the advisor who registered the affected student.

If you are interested in a contest that is not listed, please email State Director Jessica Donelan Graber at [jgraber@skillsusaf1.org](mailto:jgraber@skillsusaf1.org).

## 2019 SLSC Contest List

1. 3D Visualization and Animation
2. Action Skills
3. Advertising Design
4. American Spirit
5. Architectural Drafting
6. Audio/Radio Production
7. Automated Manufacturing Technology
8. Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair (*HS ONLY*)
9. Automotive Refinishing Technology
10. Automotive Service Technology
11. Aviation Maintenance Technology
12. Barbering
13. Basic Health Care Skills
14. Broadcast News Production
15. Building Maintenance
16. Cabinetmaking
17. Career Pathways Showcase
18. Carpentry
19. Chapter Display
20. CNC Milling Specialist
21. CNC Technician
22. CNC Turning Specialist
23. Collision Repair Technology
24. Commercial Baking
25. Community Action Project
26. Community Service
27. Computer Programming
28. Computerized Digital Estimating
29. Cosmetology
- 30. Cosmetology Quiz Bowl**
31. Crime Scene Investigation
32. Criminal Justice
33. Culinary Arts
- 34. Culinary Quiz Bowl**
35. Customer Service
36. Dental Assisting
37. Diesel Equipment Technology
38. Digital Cinema Production
39. Early Childhood Education
40. Electrical Construction Wiring
41. Electronics Technology
42. Employment Application Process
43. Engineering Technology and Design
44. Entrepreneurship
45. Esthetics
46. Extemporaneous Speaking
47. Firefighting
48. First Aid / CPR
- 49. Hair Weave**
50. Health Knowledge Bowl
51. Health Occupations Professional Portfolio
52. HVAC/R
53. Industrial Motor Control
54. Information Technology Services
55. Internetworking
56. Job Interview
57. Job Skills Demo "A"
58. Job Skills Demo Open
59. Major Appliance & Refrigeration Technology
60. Marine Service
61. Masonry
62. Mechatronics
63. Medical Assisting
64. Medical Math
65. Medical Terminology
66. Mobile Robotics
67. Motorcycle Service Technology
68. Nail Care
69. Nurse Assisting
70. Occupational Health and Safety
71. Opening and Closing Ceremonies
72. Outstanding Chapter
73. Photography
74. Pin Design
75. Plumbing
76. Power Equipment Technology
77. Practical Nursing
78. Prepared Speech
79. Principles of Engineering Technology
80. Promotional Bulletin Board
- 81. Promotional Poster**
82. Quiz Bowl
83. Related Technical Math
84. Restaurant Service
85. Robotics Urban Search and Rescue
86. Team Works
87. Technical Computer Applications
88. Technical Drafting
89. Telecommunications Cabling
90. Television (Video) Production
91. T-Shirt Design
92. Web Design
- 93. Wedding Cake Design**
94. Welding
95. Welding Fabrication
96. Welding Sculpture

**Bold = Florida Only Contest**



## State and National Competition Themes

The 2018-2019 SkillsUSA Florida theme is:

**SkillsUSA Florida:**

**Breaking Limits, Breaking Waves**

In the fall, we conduct a branding contest for the SkillsUSA Florida state t-shirt, pin, banner, and program cover design. Design specs [are available online](#). The winning design will be featured on all official attire, websites, and publications for the 2018-2019 conference season, and will be recognized at SLSC.

**This year's winning design by Marisol Cubillos, South Tech Academy:**



The 2018-2019 SkillsUSA National theme is:

**SkillsUSA: Champions at Work**

**Career-Ready Starts Here**

The SkillsUSA competition theme is used throughout the year as the topic to be addressed by contestants in the Chapter Display, Prepared Speech and Promotional Bulletin Board competitions at local, state and national levels.

The topic to be addressed by contestants in the Chapter Display, Prepared Speech and Promotional Bulletin Board competitions is how our theme, "SkillsUSA: Champions at Work, Career-Ready Starts Here," addresses the SkillsUSA program of work in the area of professional development.



It is crucial that when using slogans, logos, or any other materials for competitions that the SkillsUSA Brand Standards are followed. They are available online, along with free official logo downloads (including a free logo generator for your chapter!) at [www.skillsusabrandcenter.org](http://www.skillsusabrandcenter.org).

## National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC)

The 55<sup>th</sup> annual National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC) will be held on June 24 – 28, 2019 in Louisville, KY. Each state is assigned to a hotel, and all participants in NLSC must stay in the assigned hotel blocks. SkillsUSA Florida is designated the [Omni Hotel Downtown Louisville](#). The hotel is located centrally in downtown, with access to many restaurants and activities, like the Muhammed Ali Center, Louisville Slugger factory, and 4<sup>th</sup> Street Live.

More information regarding travel to National Conference will be available soon. A limited number of flights will be available from Orlando, Tampa, and Ft. Lauderdale. This year, we are excited to team up with a new travel agent, and have been working on ways to streamline the travel and check in process. More details to come soon! As in previous years, schools have the option to book airfare with the travel company or separately, and all attendees are required to register and pay the travel company directly for hotel and other fees.


Travel days are Sunday, June 23 and Saturday, June 29. There is a mandatory meeting on Monday evening, June 23 for advisors and students. Here, you will pick up registration packets, spirit items, and other conference materials. Any alterations to the contest schedule or conference updates will be announced during this meeting. **All registered students and teachers are required to attend in order to receive registration materials.**


Registration for NLSC begins as soon as the Closing Ceremony is completed at SLSC. Please prepare your students ahead of time to make a commitment. You may want to use the [attached NLSC1 form](#) as part of the parent permission forms to be filled out prior to attending. Many chapters also photocopy each students drivers license or photo ID to be used for booking travel. Following the Closing/Awards Ceremony, there is a mandatory meeting for all Gold medalists and their advisors to obtain registration information about the National Conference. Information will also be distributed via the Tuesday Times about 2-3 weeks before the State Conference.

## Chapter Excellence Program

The Chapter Excellence Program provides the roadmap to building a successful chapter, and honors chapter achievement relative to the SkillsUSA Framework. Instead of focusing on the number of events each year, the standards for the Chapter Excellence Program focusing on the resulting development after the events.

Visit [www.skillsusa.org/programs/chapter-excellence-program/](http://www.skillsusa.org/programs/chapter-excellence-program/) for more information.


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chapter excellence program

<b>MODELS OF EXCELLENCE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapters are selected via committee to attend the NLSC* as a Model of Excellence</li> <li>Receive travel stipend**</li> <li>Students participate in sponsor interviews</li> <li>Invited to Models of Excellence Dinner*</li> </ul> <p style="font-size: 0.9em;">States may send gold applications up to 10 percent of the total number of chapters in the state.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized in NLSC session</li> <li>Receive school banner</li> <li>Receive school plaque**</li> <li>Recognized in promotional materials highlighting Models of Excellence</li> </ul>
<b>CHAPTER OF DISTINCTION</b> Gold Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete Level 1 and 2 of application</li> <li>Achieve essential activities and distinction indicators</li> <li>Receive banner</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive advisor lapel pin</li> <li>Invited to attend NLSC*</li> <li>Invited to Chapter of Distinction Gold Reception</li> <li>Recognize students and advisors at NLSC</li> </ul>
<b>CHAPTER OF DISTINCTION</b> Bronze and Silver Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete Level 1 and 2 of application</li> <li>Achieve essential activities and distinction indicators</li> <li>Receive certificate</li> </ul>
 <b>QUALITY CHAPTER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete Level 1 of application</li> <li>Achieve quality indicators</li> <li>Receive certificate</li> </ul>

\*National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC)  
 \*\*Based on securing sponsorship

## SkillsUSA Florida Awards and Recognition

Our organization would never be successful if it weren't for the volunteer support we receive on all levels. At the State Leadership and Skills Conference, we recognize a few outstanding individuals, nominated by our members.

Visit [www.skillsusafl.org/membership/awards/](http://www.skillsusafl.org/membership/awards/) for more information on each award and submission deadlines.

- Rookie Educator of the Year
- Advisor of the Year
- Image Award
- Todd Mann Service Award
- Policymaker of the Year Award
- Regional Leadership Award
- Honorary Life Award

## Dress Code and Official Attire

The following guidelines have been developed to clarify the dress code used at all SkillsUSA Florida conferences and events (regardless of locations). School or district dress code must be followed.

### Casual Attire

**Males:** Slacks, cords, knee length walking shorts, sports shirts, and SkillsUSA t-shirts and sweatshirts. NO gang related clothing or accessories allowed. All clothing must be in good repair and proper size. Undergarments may not show outside of over garments.

**Females:** Slacks, jeans, cords, skirts, blouses, sports shirts, shorts, and SkillsUSA T-shirts and sweatshirts. No gang related clothing or accessories allowed. Shorts and skirts should be an appropriate length. All clothing must be in good repair and proper size. Undergarments may not show outside of over garments.

### Business Attire

**Males:** Dress slacks, dress shirt, tie, dress shoes and socks, (no tennis shoes or flip-flop sandals), sweater, and/or sport coats. A dress suit or SkillsUSA blazer/windbreaker/Carhartt jacket is always appropriate. Shirts are to be tucked in. Belted pants. No jeans.

**Females:** Dress (professional business), dress slacks, skirt (not to exceed 3 inches above knees), blazer, dress blouse or collared shirt, coordinated shirt/ blouse, city shorts, dress shoes, (professional business) (no tennis shoes or flip-flop sandals). A dress suit or a SkillsUSA blazer/windbreaker/Carhartt jacket is always appropriate. Nylons are recommended with all professional dress.

### Official SkillsUSA Attire

**Males:** Black slacks, white long sleeved shirt dress shirt, solid black tie, black socks, black dress shoes, and black belt. Official SkillsUSA red blazer, black Carhartt, or red windbreaker.

**Females:** Black dress slacks, knee-length skirt, white collarless shirt, black or nude nylons, solid black dress shoes (no more than 3" heel). Official SkillsUSA red blazer, black Carhartt, or red windbreaker. Nylons are required when wearing a skirt.

### Official Contest Attire

Contest Attire varies by contest. The specifics are outlined in the Technical Standards for each contest. Clothing items may be purchased online at [www.skillsusastore.org](http://www.skillsusastore.org). Please be sure to allow sufficient time for shipping prior to competitions.

Activities, such as swimming, sunbathing, jogging, or tennis warrant appropriate recreational attire for that activity, as permitted by each school.

**At any time during the conference while on-site (including hotels), casual or business attire is expected.**

## Resources and References

*Membership Kit 2018-2019:* Available now by calling the Membership Hotline at 1-800-355-8422 or online at <http://www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/membership-kit-2>. Extra packets are available upon request by calling the Membership Hotline.

*Technical Standards:* Available now online with Professional membership. [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org).

*Jump into STEM and Career Essentials: Foundations curriculum:* Available now online with Professional membership [www.skillsusa-register.org](http://www.skillsusa-register.org). These lesson plans are turn key and varied for multiple student levels, and are included with Professional membership.

*State Officer Application:* Available December 2018 at [www.skillsusaf.org](http://www.skillsusaf.org) and via the Tuesday Times newsletter.

*State Leadership Conference Registration Guide:* Available February 2019 at [www.skillsusaf.org](http://www.skillsusaf.org) and via the Tuesday Times.

*National Leadership and Skills Conference Registration Guide:* Available March 2019 at [www.skillsusaf.org](http://www.skillsusaf.org) and via the Tuesday Times.

*SkillsUSA Champions Magazine:* Available quarterly from the National Office, hard copy and online versions.

Additional SkillsUSA resources, award applications, forms, and information available online:

[www.skillsusa.org](http://www.skillsusa.org) and [www.skillsusaf.org](http://www.skillsusaf.org)

**Services for Students with Special Needs (available [online](#)):**

If you have a student who has a special learning or other need, please use this form to indicate the necessary accommodations. Our goal is to provide a positive learning experience for all participants, and will make all accommodations necessary. Documentation is required for some contests (as outlined in the Technical Standards). Additional documentation may be needed for State and National contests. This form may also be used for dietary restrictions and allergies.

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Name of Student

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Chapter

**Contest:**

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**Are there any specific conditions that we need to be made aware of?**

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**Service or Accommodation Requested:**

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**Print and mail this form by March 15 to:**

SkillsUSA Florida  
4446 Hendricks Ave PMB 229  
Jacksonville, FL 32207



# SkillsUSA Membership Information

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (circle): Female Male

Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity (circle): Black/African American Hispanic/Latino/Spanish White/Caucasian  
Asian American Indian/Alaska Native Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander  
Multicultural Other

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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