



I'M READY

Congratulations Kevin Cornell from Carver Career and Technical Education Center for being named a finalist in the Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Prize for Teaching Excellence!

- 2020-2021 SkillsUSA Theme: SkillsUSA: Champions at Work, Empowered to Succeed
- In addition to the SkillsUSA WV FLC --- SkillsUSA will host an online training for ALL Chapter officers this fall---Elect your officers early so they don't miss this training opportunity!!!! *Details TBA*
- SkillsUSA Membership is OPEN and Total Participation Plan contracts are being accepted. The TPP contracts allow you to choose online assessments, career essential modules and/or educational resources. The online assessments and career essential modules are great for an online learning (LMS) platform and generate a certificate for the portfolio.
- The WVDE approved BOTH as a bronze level for the Governors Workforce Credential in 2020-2021. In addition, Perkins funding may be used for the Total Participation Plan Contract. Please contact the hotline for further details at 1-844-875-4557 or email mwilkinson@k12.wv.us.

Professional members receive the following benefits for the 2020-2021:

- Framework Integration Toolkit — The Framework Integration Toolkit has everything you need to ensure career readiness for students, including videos, Framework Foundation lesson plans, experiential activities and more.
- Program of Work Toolkit — The Program of Work Toolkit includes the Program of Work Launch Activity Guides, including Virtual Classroom edition, videos and resources to help you implement effective activities.
- Jump Into STEM!, updated to include Virtual Classroom edition — The “Jump into STEM!” curriculum provides an opportunity for SkillsUSA members to engage and mentor elementary- and middle-school students in STEM learning while creating an open door to future recruitment into high school career and technical education programs. The program highlights engaging, hands-on learning provided by current SkillsUSA members for younger students.
- 2020-2021 SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards — The SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards are the official rules and regulations for each competition that’s part of the SkillsUSA Championships, and they are included as a benefit of professional membership. Along with rules for all national events, the standards include an overview, lists of technical skills and knowledge required, clothing requirements, and eligibility and equipment lists. It also lists the embedded academic skills in math, English and science for each competition.
- SkillsUSA is launching a new platform “SkillsUSA Connect” for advisors, students and members in September 2020. The platform will allow you to collaborate with advisors from across the USA, participate in discussion threads, and keep up to date with national information.


Important 2020-2021 SkillsUSA WV Dates

***September 24, 2020 @ 7:30 pm-- 2019-2020 Chapter of Distinction
MEGA PRIZE ONLINE EVENT -- Nicholas County Career & Technical***

Center, Monongalia Technical Educational Center, and Roane-Jackson Technical Center professional members eligible to attend.

October 28-29, 2020 - SkillsUSA Fall Leadership Conference
VIRTUAL DELIVERY

March 26-27, 2021 - SkillsUSA State Leadership Conference
Fairmont, WV



SkillsUSA National Information



Help Carhartt Fund the Future of Work ... and SkillsUSA

For Carhartt, every day is labor day. SkillsUSA agrees. That's why Carhartt, one of our longstanding partners, has generously agreed to support SkillsUSA's mission during their "Every Day is Labor Day" event on ... you guessed it ... Labor Day, Sept. 7. From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (EDT), all sales of products made through Carhartt.com will be donated to SkillsUSA! Again, not just a "portion" of sales, but **all** sales. It's an incredible opportunity to purchase some of Carhartt's amazing products while contributing to the SkillsUSA mission — now more vital than ever — at the same time. Learn more at Carhartt.com, and get ready to do some truly life-changing labor day shopping.

Call to Action

Join us on Wednesday, Sept. 9 at 4:30 p.m. (EDT) for SkillsUSA's annual Call to Action Session as executive director Chelle Travis welcomes advisors to a new school year. During this session, you will learn about the state of the association as well as the upcoming fall engagement opportunities for you and your student members. Additionally, you'll be inspired by Mike Holmes, a professional contractor, television host, public speaker, educator, influencer and writer whose passion is to Make It Right®. Be sure not to miss this session and the opportunity to be one of 15 lucky participants to receive a \$100 Lowe's gift card! Be on the lookout for additional session information to come.

Registration Opens — Enjoy the Benefits of Professional Membership

The SkillsUSA registration site is officially open for the new school year. If you or any chapter advisors need assistance with SkillsUSA membership or registration, our customer care team is ready to answer questions about starting a new chapter, ways to engage chapter members or strategies to strengthen an existing chapter. Operators are on call 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; and 11 a.m.-7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday (EDT). To reach the customer care team, call 844-875-4557 or email customer care@skillsusa.org. You can also chat online on the membership registration site.

SkillsUSA professional members receive all of these materials when they submit membership along with a valid email address. The 2020-21 SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards and other materials are provided through a digital delivery system. National dues for professional members are \$20 plus state dues, which vary. The complete listing of 2020-21 state dues and deadlines is online and included in the membership kits.

Becoming a professional member of SkillsUSA is one of the best ways to demonstrate to students the importance of joining a professional organization and the opportunities that membership will provide.

Discounted Pricing on Career Essentials Suite curriculum

We are pleased to announce that all Career Essentials project-based learning online curricula are deeply discounted for a limited time to support educators like you as you leverage new ways to teach in the upcoming school year! To view discounted price models, visit <https://www.careeressentials.org/pricing/>.

For more information about Career Essentials, visit www.careeressentials.org.

To register to attend a Career Essentials overview, go to:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdHakvnao6xmuGXILVAIglUJJPd3kZLH0DhLaOG-Oq_gfM6gQ/viewform.

Chapter of Distinction Mega Prize Event

The Chapter of Distinction Mega Prize Event will be held virtually on Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m. EDT. This year's lineup includes over 25 MEGA prize packages and door prizes! Eligible advisors will receive save-the-date and registration details directly via email. If you have questions, contact Taryn Zeigler at tzeigler@skillsusa.org.

NEW from the SkillsUSA Store — Career Collection Tees

SkillsUSA members, alumni, instructors and advisors know there has never been a better time to be skilled in America. Individuals within each major industry make unique and essential contributions every day, moving us closer to a better world. To recognize the unique value of those essential skills, the SkillsUSA Store has launched an exclusive collection of T-shirts designed specifically for each career cluster. [Explore the collection](#) on the SkillsUSA Store today.

Sneak on the Lot Professional Development Seminar

On September 1st at 7 p.m. (EDT) the Cinematography Part 1 seminar will be given by professional cinematographer and USC professor of cinematography Tristan Whitman. Professional Development Seminars have been designed to build throughout the year, and teachers are encouraged to attend from the beginning.

To locate the schedule of seminars and contests for the year and sign up to be a part of the series, visit

<https://sneakontheLOT.com/seminar-schedule/>.

