



**I'M READY**

## Winter Community Service Project ends Midnight, December 19th.

If you would like to nominate someone to the national office for Honorary Life member please click the link. [Honorary Life Member Nomination](#)

Advisor of the year form will be sent when available by the national office. New process for 2020: Only chapters of excellence recipients in 2019 are eligible to submit a nomination. Those 3 schools are PCTC, MTEC, and RJTC.

2020-2021 West Virginia State Officer packet: [2020-2021 State Officer Packet](#)  
(Each chapter may submit (2) secondary, (1) post secondary applications)

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### ***Winter Community Service Project***

The State Officer Team voted to replace the canned food drive with a blanket/sleeping bag drive for the homeless. Please begin collecting blankets or sleeping bags to distribute to your local civic organization, homeless shelter, or other agency in need of these items in YOUR area. The school who collects the most blankets or sleeping bags will be recognized at our 2020 State Leadership Conference. DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NUMBER OF ITEMS AND CHAPTER PHOTO: Midnight, December 19th.

### ***Important 2019-2020 SkillsUSA WV Dates***

December 19th- Winter Community Service Project Photo **Deadline**

January 31- Dues **Deadline**

Mail payments for state/national dues and total participation to:

SkillsUSA

14001 SkillsUSA Way

Leesburg, VA 20176

March 20 - SLSC Registration **Deadline**

March 23- Advisor of the Year, Chapter of Excellence Application, Honorary Member Applications, DUE

April 17-18 SLSC, Fairmont WV

Changes for 2020. We will be having contests split between BOTH days. Making the change will give more time for score input and time to offer additional contests.

**Note:** No exceptions will be made for late entries. Please plan early and according to the above deadlines. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

***If you know former students, alumni, who would like to assist with the State Conference in April, please forward the link below and/or post to your social media account.***

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdw5jrHQVoDd3ANkmat0M0-Pq9lf5cbhUiWx8lrK1NqNekEYg/viewform>

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# SkillsUSA National Information



## **ACTE Election Time is HERE!**

Members of the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) have a chance to elect officers for positions on the ACTE Board of Directors.

All ACTE individual professional, retired, educational institution members, and national affiliate organizations whose membership dues are current are eligible to vote. Biographical information and platform statements for the candidates are located here:

[www.acteonline.org/board\\_election\\_candidates/](http://www.acteonline.org/board_election_candidates/)

The election process will be conducted via electronic ballot. Ballots will be sent to member email addresses listed in the ACTE database. If you did not receive an e-signature ballot please contact [support@directvote.net](mailto:support@directvote.net). Electronic ballots must be cast by January 6 at 11:59 p.m. EST.

## **SkillsUSA Scholarship Opportunities Now Open**

Applications for several scholarships are now open to benefit SkillsUSA students in pursuit of higher education or certification in their chosen field.

Help spread the word so more SkillsUSA students can take advantage of these opportunities:

- Marsha Daves Memorial Scholarship: [skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-](http://skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-)

[financial-aid/the-marsha-daves-memorial-scholarship/](#) All applicants this year must be from **SkillsUSA Region 3**, and the deadline is **Feb. 1**.

- Sharon Melton Myers Memorial Scholarship: [skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-financial-aid/sharon-melton-myers-memorial-scholarship/](#) Deadline is **April 15**.

Additional scholarships may be announced soon, so check the website for updates:

[www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-financial-aid/](#).

## Take Up the Challenge! National Conference Pin and T-Shirt Design

Feb. 5 is the deadline for entries to be received (not postmarked) for the SkillsUSA National Conference Pin and T-shirt Design Challenge. This event is open to all paid student members of SkillsUSA.

This is a great way to have a student and advisor from your state recognized on stage at the national conference. Rules are posted on the SkillsUSA website at: [www.skillsusa.org/competitions/pin-design-challenge/](#).

### Nominations Are Now Open

If you would like to nominate someone for SkillsUSA's national Honorary Life Membership or Outstanding Career and Technical Educator, please submit your nomination by going to the following assigned links and completing the online application. The deadline for both applications is Feb. 15.

- Honorary Life Membership: [skillsusa.org/membership-resources/awards/honorary-life/](#)
- Outstanding Career and Technical Educator: [skillsusa.org/membership-resources/awards/outstanding-educator-nomination/](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Rauch at [lrauch@skillsusa.org](mailto:lrauch@skillsusa.org)

### Amazon Smile Purchases Benefit SkillsUSA

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[You can also click on this link](#). SkillsUSA will receive a percentage of the sale and you will not incur any additional cost.

