I am pleased to announce that Lowe's has donated $7500 for our 2021 conference. EVERY contest medalist will receive a digital gift card from Lowe's that may be redeemed online or in store.

*****All students who plan to compete in the 2021 SLSC must have membership entered on or before February 28th at MIDNIGHT*****

This deadline is set by the national office and I can't make any exceptions for weather, COVID, etc!!

2021 Conference Registration is now OPEN!!

For a list of contest events (CLICK HERE) Updated 2/1

**Each registered competitor MUST have a valid email address so they can access the LMS for their competition. Please check and recheck this information!! IT IS IMPORTANT!!!**

**Each registered competitor MUST upload a resume to the LMS PRIOR to the contest start date!!

2021-2022 STATE OFFICER APPLICATION
2021-2022 Advisor of the Year and Chapter of Excellence Applications are found in the registration log in screen at skillsusa.org

- 2020-2021 SkillsUSA Theme: SkillsUSA: Champions at Work, Empowered to Succeed
- 2020-2021 Esthetics Competition theme is “Carnival.”

**Important 2020-2021 SkillsUSA WV Dates**

**January 31, 2021 - EXTENDED TO FEBRUARY 28th** Dues must be submitted by midnight.
PLEASE MAIL DUES TO:
14001 SkillsUSA Way
Leesburg, VA 20176

**February 28, 2021** -- DUES must be submitted BEFORE MIDNIGHT (payment may be sent later)

**March 1, 2021** - Registration Deadline for SLSC 2021
PLEASE MAIL PAYMENTS TO:
SkillsUSA WV
P.O. Box 335
Ripley, WV 25271

**March 8, 2021**- State Officer Applications DUE by 4:00pm

**March 12, 2021**- Advisor of the Year & CEP Applications DUE by 4:00pm

**March 26-27, 2021** - SkillsUSA State Leadership Conference VIRTUAL

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**National News**

**The New SkillsUSA Member Handbook is Now Available!**
SkillsUSA is excited to announce the release of the revised, 26th printing of the SkillsUSA Member Handbook (formerly known as the SkillsUSA Leadership Handbook). This handbook is the official guide to help members run successful local chapters. The newly revised edition includes tools to help students intentionally weave the SkillsUSA Framework into their chapter’s annual Program of Work. Rich color photographs, real-member stories, and personal reflection pages combine to offer a living guide we hope active members will want to keep for years to come! The SkillsUSA Member Handbook can be ordered online ($6.00 per copy) at: https://www.skillsusastore.net/skillsusa-leadership-handbook
Join Today — SkillsUSA Membership Before March 1

The SkillsUSA national membership deadline is March 1 each year, but many state deadlines fall earlier. Please ensure membership dues are current for all chapter members in order for them to be able to fully participate in all SkillsUSA programs and activities. Visit www.skillsusa-register.org to register yourself and student members. If you need assistance, please contact our Customer Care Team at 844-875-4557 or customercare@skillsusa.org.
You can download state dues and deadlines here.

Volunteers Earn Recognition Through The President’s Volunteer Service Award

During national conference, SkillsUSA will recognize eligible individuals or chapters with the President’s Volunteer Service Award (PVSA). This presidential honor recognizes the valuable contributions of volunteers across the country who are answering a call to serve others through their current activities or lifetime efforts.
This program allows SkillsUSA advisors, students and registered alumni to earn recognition for their community service and volunteer activities. To qualify, SkillsUSA members, advisors or alumni must submit a record of service hours. With SkillsUSA’s focus on service, many advisors and students have already met the requirements to receive the award.
For details on qualifying hours and requirements, visit: www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/awards/presidents-volunteer-service-award/. Applications must be received by April 1 for recognition at the 2021 NLSC.

CareerSafe Sponsoring the Annual National Youth Safety Video Contest

CareerSafe is sponsoring the annual National Youth Safety Video Contest, challenging students to create a two-minute video demonstrating safety in the workplace. The winning students will receive a SkillsUSA prize pack as well as a scholarship up to $2,500, and the winning school will receive a prize up to $5,000. All submissions must be sent to CareerSafe by March 1. For details visit the CareerSafe website at: www.careersafeonline.com/scholarships/video-contest.

“SkillsUSA Champions” Digital Hub Story of the Week

Despite the challenges of the ongoing pandemic, SkillsUSA chapters from across the nation conducted a variety of inspiring activities to celebrate SkillsUSA Week. Check out our Spotlight article on the SkillsUSA Champions digital hub for some of the highlights. You’ll find many other success stories about SkillsUSA members and local chapters across the country on the SkillsUSA Champions digital hub, which can be accessed at skillsusachampions.org. And don’t forget, you can always submit your own news and story ideas through the “Share News and Stories” link at the top of the web page.