



**I'M READY**

WOW, we are excited about the 275 participants we have registered for Fall Leadership Conference!! We are looking forward to working with all of our chapter participants.

Congratulations to Shelbie Logar-Hodichak of Nicholas County Career and Technical Center for submitting the FLC winning t-shirt design!!



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

October 30-31 - Fall Conference at Cedar Lakes, Ripley WV

*Additional information below*

*Tentative Agenda, Statesman Award Study Guide, Packing List, Permission Slip, T-Shirt Design Details are posted at [SkillsUSA WV.org](http://SkillsUSA WV.org) web site*

October 30-31 - SkillsUSA WV Lead Advisor Training, Cedar Lakes Ripley, WV

# 2019 Fall Conference Cedar Lakes, WV October 30-31 "Creepin' It Real with SkillsUSA"

Our community service project is focused on the elderly. Each participant is encouraged to participate by bringing a trial size shampoo, lotion, and/or Kleenex. We will package the items with a card and a special message from the SkillsUSA WV students. The school that brings the most items to package will be awarded a gift card for \$100.00 to be used at the lead advisors' discretion for their local chapter.

ALL PERMISSION FORMS FOR FALL LEADERSHIP CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE AT <https://skillsusawv.org/students>

Please bring a copy of all permission forms to turn in at registration.

No refunds will be given for FLC individual or chapter registration cancellations; however, same gender substitutions will be allowed due to predetermined lodging considerations.

Advisors please bring a laptop to the FLC advisor training sessions.

**MAIL PAYMENT FOR FALL CONFERENCE TO NEW ADDRESS:  
SKILLUSA WV  
PO BOX 335  
RIPLEY, WV 25271**

**Note: Payment for the FLC is due on or before October 30, 2019. No exceptions will be made. Please make sure you have a check or a copy of the purchase order at the time of registration. If your school needs an updated W-9, please email Melissa Wilkinson at [mwilkinson@k12.wv.us](mailto:mwilkinson@k12.wv.us).**

November 15 - Dues Deadline to receive educational incentives from SkillsUSA National

December 1 - Total Participation Contracts Due (TPP)

*If your school has not participated and would like more information, please contact [mwilkinson@k12.wv.us](mailto:mwilkinson@k12.wv.us)*

January 31- Dues **Deadline**

March 20 - SLSC Registration **Deadline**

April 17-18 SLSC, Fairmont WV

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

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**SkillsUSA West Virginia Simulated Workplace Bid OPEN 9/11/2019**  
COMING SOON:

- Build 2 new medal stands for easy storage, set up and tear down. "Mirror the National design"
- Build two new awards podium platforms to accommodate team winners.

# SkillsUSA National Information



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## The SkillsUSA Store Has Gone Social

Have you heard? SkillsUSA has a new social media account for the SkillsUSA Store. Make sure to follow the new store account, as you will no longer be able to see the coolest and newest SkillsUSA clothing, accessories and gift items on the SkillsUSA Facebook page. Instead, check them all out and more through the store's own Instagram posts.

To see future promotions for these products, follow @skillsusastore on Instagram and earn chances to win free prizes.

- Instagram account name: @skillsusastore
- Instagram hashtag: #SkillsUSAStore #ShopSkillsUSA
- URL: <https://www.instagram.com/skillsusastore/>

[The SkillsUSA Official Store \(@skillsusastore\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

224 Followers, 87 Following, 3 Posts - See Instagram photos and videos from The SkillsUSA Official Store (@skillsusastore)

[www.instagram.com](http://www.instagram.com)

## Apply Now for ACTE Teacher and Lifetime Service Awards

The Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) is seeking nominations for the National Trade and Industrial Education Division Awards. The deadline is **Nov. 1**. Qualified individuals may be nominated in the following categories, or you may nominate yourself. (If you nominate someone else, please inform that person in advance.)

- Lifetime Service
- Outstanding New Teacher Award
- Outstanding Teacher Award

The winner in each category receives a \$500 travel stipend to attend the ACTE CareerTech VISION conference in Anaheim, Calif., Dec. 4-Dec. 7. ACTE's CareerTech VISION offers four days of professional development, networking opportunities and direct access to thousands of people representing all facets of career and technical education. Award winners will be notified by Nov. 15. SkillsUSA actively participates in this annual conference, so look for SkillsUSA on the program and visit its trade show booth.

For conference information, go to: [www.acteonline.org/event/careertech-vision-2019/](http://www.acteonline.org/event/careertech-vision-2019/).

To nominate someone for the Teacher and Lifetime Service awards, go to: <http://bit.ly/ACTE-2019-Awards>.

## New Theme for 2019-20 Announced

The SkillsUSA competition theme is used throughout the year in membership materials and as the topic for Chapter Display, Prepared Speech and Promotional Bulletin Board competitions at the local, state and national levels. The theme for the 2019-20 year is:

**SkillsUSA: Champions at Work  
I'm Ready**

Within this topic, contestants might illustrate or discuss a variety of ideas. For details, go to: [www.skillsusa.org/about/theme/](http://www.skillsusa.org/about/theme/).

## 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, hotline operators are 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 \(Eastern time\). To reach the hotline, call 844-875-4557 or email \[operators@skillsusa.org\]\(mailto:operators@skillsusa.org\).](#) You can also chat online on the membership

registration site.

Professional members receive these great benefits:

- **2019-20 SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards.** The official competition guide for the SkillsUSA Championships contains rules for all national competitive events, including an overview, lists of technical skills and knowledge required, clothing requirements, eligibility and equipment lists. Note: The latest SkillsUSA Championships contest updates and the official SkillsUSA Championships scorecards are located online here: [skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/contest-updates/](https://skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/contest-updates/)
- **Jump into STEM!** Curriculum includes middle-school and elementary-school STEM career exploration activities that can be taught by high-school members. This is a great opportunity to expose students to STEM careers and recruit for career and technical education programs as well as SkillsUSA.
- **SkillsUSA Career Essentials: Foundations.** This complete curriculum includes 29 lesson plans that support the SkillsUSA Framework and prepare students for career readiness.

SkillsUSA professional members receive all of these materials when they submit membership along with a valid email address. The 2019-20 *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 2019-20 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.

