



Friday Flash

September 23rd, 2016

Fall Conference Edition

Fall Leadership Conference

This year's fall leadership conference will once again be held at Great Bay Community College on November 18th, 2016. The conference will begin with registration being between 8:00AM and 8:30AM and Opening Ceremony starting at 8:30AM and with the conference ending at 1:00PM.

Registration for the Conference is now open online <http://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx> and the cost will be \$15.00 per person. Reminder-students attending do not need to be SkillsUSA members. This event is a great opportunity for students to learn more about SkillsUSA NH prior to choosing to join their local chapter.

2016 Fall Leadership Conference Agenda

November 18, 2016

8:00AM - 8:30AM Registration and Check-In

8:30AM – 9:30AM Opening General Session

- Introduction of 2016-2017 State Officer Team
- Opening Ceremony
- Welcome to Fall Conference, State President
- Introduction of Keynote Speaker, State Treasurer
- Keynote Speaker, Tim Lawrence, SkillsUSA Exec. Director
- Introduction of State Director, State Secretary
- Welcome and Instructions, Joshua Brunk, State Director

9:40AM – 12:00PM Student Workshop Sessions

- 9:40AM – 10:00AM Session 1
- 10:10AM – 10:30AM Session 2
- 10:40AM – 11:00AM Session 3
- 11:10AM – 11:30AM Session 4
- 11:40AM – 12:00PM Session 5

Advisors Sessions

- 9:40AM – 10:45PM Tim Lawrence, Exec Director
- 10:45AM – 11:00AM Break
- 11:00AM – 12:00PM Joshua Brunk, State Director

12:00PM – 12:30PM Lunch

12:30PM – 1:00PM Closing Session

- How to apply today to your Chapter, State Vice-President
- Introduction of SkillsUSA BOD Member, State President
- Thanks You from BOD, Board Member
- Closing Ceremony, 2016-2017 State Officer Team

2016 Student and Advisor Sessions

STUDENTS	ADVISORS
<p>SESSION 1 Why Join SkillsUSA?</p>	<p>9:40AM – 10:45AM Current-Future of National SkillsUSA Tim Lawrence SkillsUSA Executive Director</p>
<p>SESSION 2 SkillsUSA Framework Activity</p>	<p>10:45AM – 11:00AM Break</p>
<p>SESSION 3 Develop Your Framework Story</p>	<p>11:00AM – 12:00PM Joshua Brunk SkillsUSA NH State Director</p>
<p>SESSION 4 Tallest Tower Team Building Activity</p>	<p>11:00AM – 11:15AM SkillsUSA Framework Activity</p>
<p>SESSION 5 Social Media Etiquette</p>	<p>11:15AM – 11:30AM Develop Your Framework Story</p>
<p>SESSION 6 Everyday Leadership Discussions</p>	<p>11:30AM – 12:00PM Current-Future of SkillsUSA NH Open Brainstorming Ideas</p>
<p>SESSION 7 Why Run to be a State Officer</p>	
<p>SESSION 8 Balloon Team Building Activity</p>	

Meet & Greet

Please join us to meet and welcome the new State Director of SkillsUSA NH:
Joshua Brunk

Thursday, October 6th, 2016 from 6-7 PM at Plymouth State College's Concord Campus, 5th floor of 2 Pillsbury Street in Concord in Classrooms 5 & 6.

RSVPs are appreciated but, not required. Please contact Courtney Ritchings at Courtney.Ritchings@doe.nh.gov or 603-516-0166.

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Membership Registration is OPEN

SkillsUSA Membership Site is open and ready to accept membership. Please go to <http://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx> to input you membership this year. Check out the benefits below for joining as a professional member.

Why is it important to register yourself as a professional member of SkillsUSA? Becoming a professional member of SkillsUSA is one of the best ways you can demonstrate to your students the importance of the organization and the opportunities that membership will provide. As a professional member, you will receive online access to the following:

- 2017-2018 SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards (new benefit)
- Jump into STEM! (Curriculum)
- Career Readiness Curriculum (CRC)

As a special membership incentive, register at least 15 student members in your training program plus one or more professionals by Nov. 15, and you will receive a SkillsUSA Framework podium banner!!

2016-2017 National & State Dues:

Student: \$16.00 (\$8 National & \$8 State)

Professional: \$30.00 (\$20 National & \$10 State)

Deadline: Feb. 1, 2017 Dues must be paid by state deadline. Students' home addresses required.

SkillsUSA's Chapter Excellence Program

The Chapter Excellence Program (CEP) honors chapter achievement relative to SkillsUSA's framework of developing personal, workplace and technical skills. The framework actualizes SkillsUSA's mission "to empower members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens." It also serves as the blueprint for workplace readiness — our ultimate goal as an organization.

By centering on industry demands, the framework builds the foundation for relevant and intentional student learning and employability skill development.

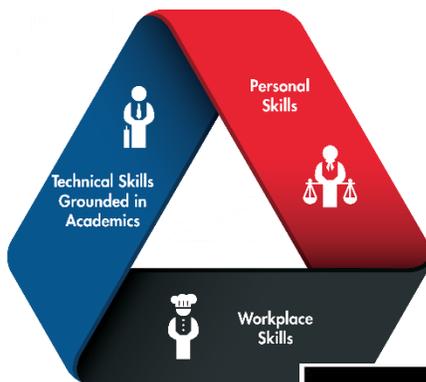
Paramount to framework success is the creation and implementation of an effective program of work — SkillsUSA's planning tool for chapters. By participating in program of work activities, SkillsUSA chapters become conduits for meaningful student growth. Students take part in the planning, organization and implementation of activities, which develops their skills and builds character. The CEP recognizes these efforts by offering every chapter an opportunity to attain measurable competencies in pursuit of framework objectives.

CareerSafe Offers New Training

Katie George and Lisa London from CareerSafe visited SkillsUSA on Aug.16 to review their programs and our partnership procedures. CareerSafe now offers OSHA 10-hour training courses that cover all 16 career clusters, with the introduction of General Industry training courses geared toward agriculture and health care. Students who successfully complete one of these courses receive an OSHA 10-hour wallet card from the OSHA Training Institute (OTI). Several new CareerSafe online courses include one that teaches basic safety awareness and one that provides students with basic awareness to recognize and respond to cyberbullying. We're happy to see Lisa London return to CareerSafe's team as director of strategic alliances. Lisa was a supporter of CareerSafe's partnership with SkillsUSA from the start, and we are glad to welcome her back.

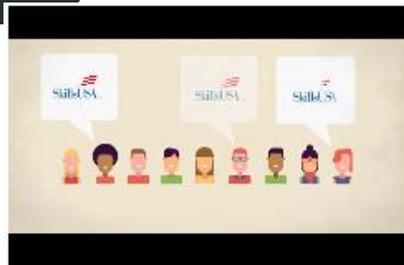
Ensure SkillsUSA is Integral to Your CTE Program

Step 3 of the 10 Steps to a Successful Chapter gives you all the resources you need to ensure SkillsUSA is integral to your CTE program. When you infuse SkillsUSA activities into your instructional program, students gain real-world applications to their studies and develop the personal, workplace and technical skills that comprise the SkillsUSA Framework. Your classroom will come to life as students see the connection between what they are learning today and their futures. Just as your lab provides contextual teachable moments, your classroom can provide relevancy in developing leadership, communication and teamwork skills that develop the whole student.



The resources below will ensure that administrators see the value of your program to student success and will create an environment that delivers career-ready students:

- understand that placing information [letter](#) and [SkillsUSA](#)
- Show the [framework](#) administrators, community so they career readiness. mission of the organization “to empower members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens.”
- Use the [SkillsUSA Framework flier](#) and [graphic](#) in your program materials to draw attention to the development of personal, workplace and technical skills grounded in academics.
- Ensure parents and families SkillsUSA is integral to your program by directly into the syllabus. Use the [parent brochure template](#) as guides. [video](#) to students, parents, teachers and members of your business understand how SkillsUSA ensures The SkillsUSA Framework supports the



Check Your Inbox — Student Surveys Arriving Soon

Opportunities for students pursuing CTE-related careers, including those in health sciences, continue to expand. As new technologies create new and changing jobs, student perceptions of these opportunities shift. That is why SkillsUSA is collaborating again this fall with the Education Research Center of America (ERCA) to produce surveys of CTE students.

One packet with survey forms for teachers and students entitled **The Research Consortium on CTE Pathways** will be mailed to high-school CTE teachers, including some SkillsUSA advisors. This survey was developed in collaboration with the [Education Research Center of America](#) (ERCA), The Manufacturing Institute and SkillsUSA.

A separate packet with survey forms for teachers and students entitled **Research Consortium on Health/Science Careers** will be sent to some high-school biology and health sciences teachers, including some SkillsUSA health sciences advisors. This survey was developed in collaboration with ERCA, the National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT) and SkillsUSA.

Last year's survey showed SkillsUSA students outperformed CTE students generally, non-CTSO students and other CTSO students in several key indicators that are important to promoting SkillsUSA (tinyurl.com/ERCAREport). We encourage SkillsUSA instructors and students to participate in this year's surveys so that we can continue to build the case for support and understand how we can best serve our students.

Please watch your inbox during back-to-school season for a package from the Research Consortium on CTE Pathways or from the Research Consortium on Health/Science Careers. If you want to make sure you receive this package, please [fill out this simple online form](#) or email info@studentresearch.org to make sure you're on the list.

Get Free Access to Autodesk Software

Autodesk is providing SkillsUSA students and educators with free access to its software. Autodesk has been committed to SkillsUSA for over 20 years as a partner because of common goals in preparing students in STEM-based careers and creating an industry-ready workforce. To register, students and advisors can visit the Autodesk Education Community at: www.autodesk.com/education.

Join Now for a Chance to Win OSHA Training Vouchers

When you register at least 15 students and one professional member in SkillsUSA by Sept. 30, you will be placed in a drawing to receive up to 50 free OSHA training vouchers. The OSHA Outreach Training Program for General Industry teaches entry-level workers and employers how to recognize, reduce and prevent safety and health hazards in workplaces. The program also provides information regarding workers' rights, employer responsibilities, and how to file a complaint. Don't delay; drawings are being held each Friday in September.

Participate in Manufacturing Day

SkillsUSA joins other student organizations and industry partners for National Manufacturing Day on Oct. 7, a celebration designed to improve public perception of careers in manufacturing and engineering. SkillsUSA chapters can participate by holding an open house to showcase manufacturing-related training programs to parents and the community. Even better, chapters can opt to participate in field trips or one of 932 events planned nationwide, ranging from career fairs to manufacturing plant tours.

SkillsUSA chapters are asked to share Manufacturing Day photos and stories with social media specialist Darlene Helena, email dhelena@skillsusa.org. For ways to participate go to: www.mfgday.com.

Call the SkillsUSA Membership Hotline Toll Free: 844-875-4557

Hotline operators are ready to answer your questions on how to start a new chapter, engage chapter members and strengthen an existing chapter — you name it, they are ready to tackle it! Operators are on call from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. (Eastern time) Monday, Wednesday and Friday and from 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Eastern) Tuesday and Thursday. **Don't have time to call?** Send the operators an **email** at operators@skillsusa.org or **chat** with them online at the membership registration site!