Friday Flash. . .

The Best of the Week in SkillsUSA New Hampshire

The SkillsUSA Framework illustrates how students fulfill the mission of the organization “to empower members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens.”

What it does

- Provides a common language students to articulate what they gain from SkillsUSA participation to employers, school administrators, parents and other students
- Assesses student skill development a learning continuum of awareness, demonstration and mastery
- Creates a vision for SkillsUSA programs the local, state and national levels to ensure quality student-led experiences that build skills in all members

Why it works

Empowers every student to achieve career success
Delivers a skill set demanded by business and industry lacking in many employees today
Ensures that every student member receives a consistent and specific skill set
Region 1 Enhance Your Chapter – Advisor Training Opportunity
This seven hour workshop provides teachers with the tools necessary to strengthen the SkillsUSA chapter in their school by implementing new SkillsUSA resources. The participants will unpack the Leveraging Your Leadership Series and other resources while engaging in hands on activities. The training utilizes interactive sessions and provides answers to questions like: How do I get students engaged? How do I facilitate student leadership within the chapter? What resources are available to help students? Participants in this Enhancing Your Chapter Seminar will receive the following materials: (1) The Leveraging Your Leadership Series (2) Accelerate (3) Propel (4) Jump Start (5) Quotes to Results

To Register: Contact your SkillsUSA State Director
Deadline: Oct 14
Fees: See attached Flyer

Deadline for Fall Leadership is Approaching
SkillsUSA NH is excited to announce that our Fall Leadership Conference is back! Great Bay Community College at the Pease International Trade port will be hosting the event this year. There will be 2 community service projects with this year’s Conference along with advisory trainings that can be counted as PD. Registration site is open.

Date: November 20, 2015
Time: 8:30 am – 1:30 pm
Location: Great Bay Community College
Cost: $15.00 per person

Flyers for Fall Leadership are with this week’s Friday Flash.

SkillsUSA: Champions at Work, Connecting You to Career Success
The theme for the 2015-16 year is SkillsUSA: Champions at Work, Connecting You to Career Success. If you are looking for ways to make the theme come alive for students, include the kickoff video in your next chapter meeting (https://youtu.be/PYbnDFQpGMg). Students will get energized to plan their program of work for the year with the theme in mind. Encourage students to brainstorm ways in which they can embed the theme throughout the year in all of their chapter functions. Some chapters have created activities around the theme such as: holding a T-shirt or poster design contest, creating a bulletin board, delivering a presentation to faculty and board members, hosting a business and industry reception, and developing their own video messages around how SkillsUSA is connecting them to career success. What cool ideas can your chapter members come up with to embed the SkillsUSA theme into their school year? Send your ideas to gsilvey@skillsusa.org and we will send you a SkillsUSA promotional item and educational resource just for sharing your thoughts.

The yearly theme is also used as the topic to be addressed by contestants in the Chapter Display, Prepared Speech and Promotional Bulletin Board competitions. Within this topic, contestants might illustrate or discuss any of the following:
• Why is ensuring career success for every member of SkillsUSA important to the economic health and stability of our nation?
• Describe how the mission of SkillsUSA — to empower its members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens — guarantees career success.
• How has the vision of career success changed over the decades?
• Describe the skills and attitudes that business and industry are demanding of students for career success.
• What elements of SkillsUSA ensure that members experience career success?
• How has the definition of career success changed for the current generation of students from their grandparents’ generation?
• What does career success look like in the 21st century?
• In the next 10 years, what skills are needed to fill the job-market skills gap, and how do SkillsUSA members ensure career success through their SkillsUSA involvement?
• What are the connections that SkillsUSA has built to ensure career success for its members?
• How has SkillsUSA adapted over the years to provide members with the skills needed for career success?
• How has your involvement in SkillsUSA ensured that you will be connected to career success?
• Career success involves much more than mere dollars; describe the elements of experiencing true career success.
• Which SkillsUSA programs ensure that members are developing personal skills that are needed for career success? Program examples may include those that improve the following: integrity, self-motivation, work ethic, professionalism and responsibility.
• Which SkillsUSA programs ensure that members are developing workplace skills that are needed for career success? Program examples may include those that improve the following skills: communication, decision making, teamwork, cultural sensitivity and leadership.
• Which SkillsUSA programs ensure that members are developing technical skills that are needed for career success? Program examples may include those that improve the following skills: technical literacy, job-specific tasks, service to the community, ongoing professional development and an awareness of safety and health issues.

→ 2015-2016 Membership Kits
SkillsUSA advisors will receive three educational resources when they register 15 student members plus one or more professional members by Nov. 15. They will receive a copy of Ignite, a new resource designed around the SkillsUSA Framework with a variety of classroom activities that spark student engagement. They will also receive a copy of Jump into STEM! This new program teaches SkillsUSA members how to facilitate STEM workshops for elementary-school students. The downloadable curriculum includes instructions for running 22 activities for hands-on learning. The third free resource, free to paid professional members, is the Career Readiness Curriculum (CRC). This program supports the framework of the SkillsUSA mission, which includes personal, workplace and technical skills grounded in academics — all essential to a successful technical education and future workplace success. The CRC curriculum includes 31 lesson plans and is based on national employability initiatives. For more details on these
incentives, see the membership kit or visit the SkillsUSA website
http://www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/advisors/membership-kit/

You can also download those membership kits here
http://www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/advisors/membership-kit/

→ **Membership site is open**
The national membership site is open. If you have not received your membership packets please contact your State Director, Kate Krumm, skillsusanh@gmail.com to get one. If you submit your membership of at least 15 students and 1 or more professional member by **November 15, 2015** you will receive a commemorative banner to celebrate the 50th anniversary of one of the SkillsUSA’s newest resources *Ignite!*

Membership fees:

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→ **SkillsUSA Membership Hotline – Call toll free 1-844-875-4557**
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.
### Important Dates

#### October 2015
- **Oct. 9, 2015**: State Officer Meeting @ SST, 5:30 pm (open to public)
- **Oct. 14, 2015**: Registration deadline for Region 1 training

#### November 2015
- **Nov. 1, 2015**: Deadline for Registering for Fall Leadership Conference
- **Nov. 11, 2015**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **Nov. 13-14, 2015**: Region One Advisor Training @ Norwood, MA
- **Nov. 16, 2015**: SkillsUSA membership deadline to receive free educational resource
- **Nov. 11, 2015**: State Officer Meeting @ GBCC, 5:30- 7:30 pm (open to public)
- **Nov. 13-14, 2015**: Region One Advisor Training @ Norwood, MA
- **Nov. 20, 2015**: Fall Leadership Conference @ GBCC

#### December 2015
- **Dec 10, 2015**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **Dec. 14, 2015**: State Officer Meeting @ TBD, 4pm (closed to public)

#### January 2016
- **Jan. 14, 2016**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **Jan. 18, 2016**: State Officer Meeting @ TBD, 5:30- 7:30 pm (open to public)

#### February 2016
- **Feb 1, 2016**: State & National membership deadline (must be submitted by this time)
- **Feb. 8, 2016**: State Officer Meeting @ TBD 5:30- 7:30 pm (open to public)
- **Feb. 11, 2016**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **Feb. 7-13, 2016**: National CTSO Week

#### March 2016
- **March 1, 2016**: State Deadline for registering for State Contests
- **March 7, 2016**: State Officer Meeting @ SST, 5:30- 7:30 pm (open to public)
- **March 10, 2016**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **March 16, 2016**: State Skills & Leadership Conference @ Nashua North
- **March 18, 2016**: State Skills & Leadership Conference @ SST
- **March 20, 2016**: Awards Ceremony @ Sanborn HS, 2pm (Doors open at 1:30)
- **March 27, 2016**: Snow date for Awards Ceremony @ Sanborn HS, 2 pm (Doors open at 1:30)

#### April 2016
- **April 7, 2016**: National Travel Meeting @ Concord HS, 6pm
- **April 14, 2016**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **April 15, 2016**: Deposit and paperwork due for National’s

#### May 2016
- **May 1-7, 2016**: SkillsUSA National Week of Service
- **May 12, 2016**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **May 8-9, 2016**: Founder’s 50th Anniversary Gala @ National Headquarters, Leesburg, VA

#### June 2016
- **June 1, 2016**: Balance for National Conference Due
- **June 9, 2016**: Board of Directors Meeting @ Concord, 4:30 – 6:30 pm (open to public)
- **June 18-20, 2016**: Leverage, Activate and Engage Conference, Louisville, KY
- **June 20-24, 2016**: 52nd National Leadership and Skills Conference, Louisville, KY
Champions Membership Circle

OVER 800 members in 2014-2015!
* Increase from last week.
Bold text indicates new entry for the week.

Bronze Medal Membership:
Concord Regional Technical Center (45) Students, (1) Professional
Salem HS Career & Technical Center (12) Students, (3) Professionals

Silver Medal Membership (25% higher membership over last year):
None submitted yet

Gold Medal Membership (50% higher membership over last year):
None submitted yet

Something happen in your week - tell us about it and we will post in the Friday Flash – just email skillsusanh@gmail.com

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