



SkillsUSA South Carolina Advisor Update

September 3, 2019

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

Coming Online Soon!

- SFLC Flyer
- SFLC Agenda
- Advisor of the Year Nomination form
- State Officer Application link
- Pin and T-Shirt Design Competition details

Important Dates

Welcome Back

This is my “Welcome Back to School” email. Most of you have been back for a couple of weeks, but I felt that I would let you get settled into the new school year before sending you this information! Welcome Back!

IMPORTANT CONTACT CHANGES

We have a new web address (the old one still works for now) and email

- 9/6 - SFLC Registration Opens
- 10/9 - SFLC Regular Registration Deadline
- 10/18 - SFLC Late Registration Deadline
- 11/8-9 - SFLC (State Fall Leadership Conference, Summerton)

address. The old Gmail address will still be monitored but please change my contact information in your address book/contacts.

Website – skillsusasc.org
 Email – rkalk@skillsusasc.org

Membership, Fall Conference and More!

Calendar

The SkillsUSA South Carolina Calendar is available on the SkillsUSA South Carolina website at skillsusasc.org/downloads.

Membership Year Open

This year, the membership deadline is **Sunday, March 1, 2020**. Although this deadline is several months off, there are many advantages to going ahead and completing the membership process now. Help **all** of your students obtain **all** of the benefits that goes with being a member of SkillsUSA. Too often the deadline comes and goes, and advisors forget to make sure that their students are registered as a member and that the payment has been processed.

To be able to compete at the Spring State Leadership and Skills Competition in March, all contestants and their advisors MUST be paid members no later than March 1, 2020.

- Student membership is \$15 (this includes both state and national). School chapters should have at least 10 student members.
- Professional membership is \$30 – The 2020 technical standards (accessible early October) are accessed through your Professional Membership.

Go ahead and register both you and your students as members now so that you will all be able to take advantage of being a member for the entire year. Go to <http://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx> to update/create your membership and add your students. Make sure to **SUBMIT** all members and request that your finance department process the payment. Of course, additional members may be added later in the year.

Note: If your school has an outstanding invoice with SkillsUSA, that invoice must be

paid prior to being able to register anyone from your school.

Fall Leadership Conference

This year we will hold one statewide State Fall Leadership Conference (SFLC) at Camp Bob Cooper in Summerton. The conference is Friday, November 8 – Saturday, November 9. The conference will begin Friday at 5:30 PM and conclude by 3 PM on Saturday. We are offering a **REGULAR REGISTRATION cost of \$35 per participant – DEADLINE October 9!** Late Registration is \$45 with the **Late Registration deadline of October 18.** SFLC attendees do **not** have to be current SkillsUSA members. This State Officer led leadership conference is a great opportunity for your members to get fired up and see what SkillsUSA is about. They may also come home with a great prize!

Dinner on Friday and breakfast and lunch on Saturday are included. All participants will need to bring bedding and towels. Additional information will be forthcoming.

Registration for the State Fall Leadership Conference **MUST** be made through your national SkillsUSA account. If you do not have an account, you will need to set one up prior to registering for the Fall Leadership Conference. Once you have entered all of your registrations into the system, make sure to choose the “**Submit**” tab and print a copy of your invoice. Payments are due by Friday, November 1. Rooms and meals must be planned ahead of time, so it is important that payment be made by the due date. It will be difficult to process payments onsite. **Registration will open on Friday, September 6.**

The only changes allowed after the October 18 deadline are substitutions. Since rooms are dormitory style, a substitute may be made but **MUST** be the same gender. Also, notification of the substitution **MUST** be made to the conference email address (rkalk@skillsusasc.org) no later than Friday, November 1. There will be no refunds or credits after the October 18 Late Registration Deadline.

Instructions will be posted under the “SFLC” tab on the SkillsUSA South Carolina website at <https://www.skillsusasc.org> by September 6.

Potential New Competitions

We are always looking at potential new competitions for the Spring Conference. A form to request a new contest is located on the state website under the downloads (skillsusasc.org/downloads). The new competition can be either a new State Only competition or a contest that we don't currently hold that is held at NLSC. The form details all of the requirements for a new competition to be considered at the state level. If you have any questions regarding this process, please let me know.

State Trainer

Alumni Member, Madison Kenney, has been trained as the **SkillsUSA South Carolina State Certified Trainer - Foundation Training & Facilitator**. At your request, Madison can come to your school and host a workshop on the SkillsUSA

Framework and the Chapter Excellence Program (CEP) for your advisors. If you are interested in having one of these training workshops for your school or district, please email your request to rkalk@skillsusasc.org. There is no cost to the school to have Madison conduct this training for you.

Career Essentials Experiences

Please remember that the student member **Professional Development Program (PDP)** was replaced by **Career Essentials: Experiences**. These experiences are just one part of the **Career Essentials Suite**. The **Career Readiness Curriculum (CRC)** is still available but has been rebranded as part of the **Career Essentials Suite**. **CRC** has been replaced by **Career Essentials: Foundations**.

For more information and a preview of this exciting curriculum, go to <http://www.careeressentials.org/>.

National Champion Banners

Have you had a National Gold, Silver or Bronze Medalist since 2010? National Champion Banners are now available from 2010 - 2019. If you had a national medallion winner since then, you can order a banner for your school – they are just a bit pricey!

You have until [September 15](#) to get these ordered!!

NATIONAL CHAMPION BANNERS (Pre-Order Window Open)

- National Champion Banners orders can be placed by anyone at: <https://skillsusabannerstore.mybrightsites.com/>
- Orders will be accepted until [September 15th](#) when the window closes, and banners will begin to ship from the factory in late October 2019.
- Schools will be responsible for the cost of National Championship Banners.
- Please feel free to share this information with your members and other Advisors.

For help with other order questions, please contact Kim Henderson at khenderson@egroupengage.com for assistance.

State Champion Banners

If you did not receive your championship banner from the South Carolina State Conference because we did not have one for you, I need to know so I can order that in October when I order our championship banners for the 2020 state conference. If we did not have the banner at SLSC then there is no cost to the school. I can go back to 2018 on the State Banners. You may also request a replacement/additional banner if you need one (the cost is \$15/banner).

Help is Only a Call, Email or Chat Away!

Hotline operators are ready to answer your questions on how to start a new chapter, engage chapter members and strengthen an existing chapter. 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. Call the hotline toll free: 844-875-4557.

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.



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