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SkillsUSA South Carolina Advisor Update

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(Corrected)

**Upcoming Events and
Deadlines**

Coming Online Soon!

**State Fall Leadership
Conference Registration
Deadline**

- State Officer Application link
- Pin and T-Shirt Design Competition details

Leadership Conference (SFLC). The registration window will close at 4 PM.

Important Dates

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

Details are posted on skillsusasc.org under the SFLC tab.

Don't let your student members miss out on this experience to have some fun while learning about becoming a better leader. Membership is **NOT** required to attend the SFLC.

World Series of Innovation Competition Open to Young Entrepreneurs

World Series of Innovation is an online, project-based competition sponsored by the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship. Young innovators from across the globe are encouraged to enter the competition every fall and compete for cash prizes.

In the competition, small teams of young entrepreneurs (age 13-24) create business solutions that align with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and answer a special challenge posed by an entity from the private sector. Some teams compete independently, some are affiliated with schools or youth development organizations, and some undertake a challenge as a guided classroom project. Educators who are interested in using the World Series of Innovation in the classroom or encouraging student participation as an extracurricular enrichment opportunity can access a robust toolkit that provides additional resources for students and teachers.

Visit <https://innovation.nfte.com/> now to read more about the winners of the Spring 2019 challenges recently completed.

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.

- 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

Theme for 2019-2020

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 2019-2020 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/.

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. 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/
- **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

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.