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Updates for a
Successful Year



State Conference 2026

Date Range: March 2 + March 9-13, 2026
[Current Schedule Now Available Here](#)

NLSC Dates for 2026
June 1-5 in Atlanta, GA

National Membership registration now open.
Deadline for all Delaware members (students + advisors): December 31, 2025

»» Updates about 2026 Delaware State Leadership Conference

- We have released our 2026 Delaware SLSC schedule! Please note that changes could occur. While we do not anticipate any changes to this schedule, please keep up with our communications.

»» What Next?

1. Sign your interested students up as National Members by December 31st.

- a. Students must be registered as National Members with SkillsUSA by the deadline in order to be eligible to compete at the Delaware State Leadership & Skills Conference.
- b. Tip: Register more students than you think will compete. You never know if they change their mind!
- c. Link to Register: <https://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx>
- d. **Reminder:** All teachers who are advising students who compete at SkillsUSA must also be registered as **Professional Members**.

2. Complete our Contest Intent Form

- a. Even if you are not 100% sure of your current numbers, please complete this form. It helps us begin our planning.
- b. Link: <https://forms.gle/ToBi3A2fm26V8yx09>

*Register
Now*



»» New Freshmen-Only Contest: Career Choice Commentary & Display

- In an effort to promote SkillsUSA to our 9th graders, we will have a freshmen-only competition this year! It is a state-only contest, meaning there will be medals at the state level but no national competition.
- [Click Here to view the standards](#) and begin recruiting your freshmen!

**CAREER CHOICE
COMMENTARY
& DISPLAY**

»» Free Virtual Event Exploring Construction Careers – Register Today!

- SkillsUSA is hosting “Industry Insider: Construction,” a virtual event designed for high school and college/postsecondary students in Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC-R, and Plumbing programs. On Thursday, Dec. 4, from 1 to 2:15 p.m. EDT, tune in for a 75-minute live panel with industry leaders to get the inside scoop on diverse career paths, high pay, job security, and the exciting, in-demand skills needed for success.
- This is your students’ chance to hear authentic stories from pros, and gain the insider edge to build a meaningful career. Sponsored by the Lowe’s Foundation and the CLA Foundation, [you can learn more and register for this free session here.](#)



Registration Instructions

»» Don’t Miss these Professional Development Offerings

Don't miss these timely professional development opportunities in early December! Secure your spot now to gain crucial insights on integrating the SkillsUSA Framework, using Pathful and maximizing your Advisory Committee's effectiveness.

- **Integrating the SkillsUSA Framework**
 - Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Eastern (90 minutes)
- **SkillsUSA Pathful (Flex Lessons & Pathful 101)**
 - Wednesday, Dec. 3 at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Eastern (60 minutes)
- **Maximize the Power of Your Advisory Committee**
 - Thursday, Dec. 4 at 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Eastern (45 minutes)

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»» SkillsUSA Store to Close Nov. 21; Reopens Nov. 24 with Limited Inventory

The SkillsUSA Store – skillsusastore.org – will close on Nov. 21 and reopen on Nov. 24 as all merchandising transfers over to a new provider. After Nov. 24, a limited inventory of core products will be available until all inventory can be transferred or restocked. The grand reopening of the SkillsUSA Store will occur in January offering improved quality, a wider selection, and a more seamless shopping experience.



See the full listing of [Frequently Asked Questions.](#)