

State Officer Program 2017-2018

Purpose: To ensure that SkillsUSA Ohio has the best representation and quality officers possible to serve as ambassadors for the state organization, not only in local communities and schools, but on a State Level. In order for Ohio to have proper representation, it is necessary to ensure proper and prepared candidates to complete the year of service that is required by the officers. The program will provide a greater understanding of the organization for State Officers in order to expand their opportunities, duties, and responsibilities prior to conferences and provide a greater professional development opportunity in order for the State Officers to serve as ambassadors for the organization.

Expectations: State Officers are expected to maintain grades greater than a “C” average and abide by the code of conduct at all times. Violation of either of these conditions will result in removal from office. State Officers need to achieve a minimum of an 80% on the officer exam, complete an application, essay, and enrollment packet complete with headshot photo by March 24, 2017. State Officers are expected to be active throughout the year; it is an on-going commitment. Officers should take this into consideration before applying to run for office. Officers may be selected for special responsibilities throughout the year based on merit. Throughout the year, officers will be responsible for serving as ambassadors for their regions and with their schools, making public relations contacts, and promoting the organization with the guidance of SkillsUSA Ohio. All officers will be responsible for providing a bi-monthly report to show their growth and outreach efforts.

MANDATORY EVENTS-Failure to complete any of these may result in removal from office.

***State Officer Retreat – June 5-9, 2017** – Receive training on becoming a state officer and other professional development opportunities, including interaction with business and industry partners. Assist in training National Voting Delegates and Candidates while learning how to lead the National Delegation in Louisville, KY.

***Ohio National Prep Conference –June 9, 2017-** Meet National Voting delegates and learn responsibilities of National Conference

***National Conference—June 19-24, 2017** — Attend National Conference in Louisville, KY, and serve as leaders for Ohio Delegation and National Officer Candidates. Select leadership opportunities may also be included during this conference.

***Summer Camp – July 10-14, 2017** --Perform all ceremonies at Summer Camp while providing training to students on various topics to be decided at State Officer Retreat. Serve as Assistant Group Leaders. Interact and serve as ambassadors with peers.

***Ohio State Fair – July 26 – August 6, 2017** – Share SkillsUSA Ohio Message, officers will not be required to be in attendance every day, select dates to be determined.

***Fall Retreat- (1 evening & 1 day late Sept/Early Oct)**-Preparation for fall leadership conference, presentation and script work

***Fall Leadership Conference – October 25-27, 2017** – Lead and facilitate fall conference including opening ceremony. Select Officers will be assigned presentations for students and advisors.

***Winter Retreat-November/December, 2017**-End of year wrap up and coming year planning

***Goodwill Tour-Year Long/Selected Dates** – Serve as student Ambassadors to visit different schools and business and industry partners in order to educate and promote SkillsUSA.

***State Conference Retreat- Feb/March 2018**-Preparation for State Conference.

***State Conference (5 days in April 2018)**– Serve as courtesy corps, working with state staff and regional advisors to set up and maintain the conference Lead State Delegate Assembly, perform opening ceremony, and provide advance courtesy corps roles as assigned, elect and install new team of officers.

OPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

***SkillsUSA Board Meetings- October & February**- 1 day report to SkillsUSA Ohio Board of Directors.

***CTEP Meeting and Report-October & March**-1 day report to CTEP about SkillsUSA

***Washington Leadership Training Institute (WLTl)- September 2017**-Officers will be given the opportunity to apply with Assistant State Director for a unique leadership experience provided by SkillsUSA National program.

***Regional Officer Training Institute (ROTI) – January 2018** – Regional Officer Training in Washington D.C. Serve as leaders and facilitators for training regional officers. Serve as ambassadors with National Office. Any officer that does not attend WLTl will be required to attend ROTI

***Regional Conferences – February/March 2018**– Work with Regional Advisors assigned to their region to perform Awards Ceremony and assist with making the conference a success.

Roles at all of these conferences and special invitations will be determined based on the assets, skills, and interests of each student; the goal is to ensure that all students get the most out of their regional officer experience while representing SkillsUSA Ohio to the best of their ability.