



SkillsUSA Ohio Fall Leadership Conference Brief:

**November 14-15, 2024
Greater Columbus Convention Center
Columbus, Ohio**

***All Student Leaders MUST bring at least 3 copies of resumes.**

SkillsUSA Ohio's Fall Leadership Conference is the premier annual professional development event for students and instructors involved in SkillsUSA. This conference provides participants with a unique leadership experience, as it is organized and managed through a partnership between industry professionals and SkillsUSA State Officers, Staff, and Advisors. While at the conference, students and instructors participate in professional development sessions sponsored by industry partners regarding emerging topics critical to supporting the future workforce in Ohio.

Registration/Forms

- Pre sign in for a quicker process at registration. You will find this form on the FLC events page to fill out. (please note just to send 1-2 advisors to check in).
- The Code of Conduct for SkillsUSA Ohio is to also be adhere and will be enforced. Please note, it is required to be kept on file by the chaperoning school advisor(s). We do not collect any more but will be followed.
- Bring copies of Emergency Medical Forms for all participants to be kept by the chaperoning school advisor(s), including one designated copy to be kept by each student, which should be folded up and placed in their blazer pocket or pocket of clothes.

Health & Safety Statement:

SkillsUSA Ohio strives to abide by all government mandates, venue regulations, and CDC guidelines regarding public health and safety.

Advisors/schools need to be prepared with a plan to supervise students who are unable to participate due to violations of these (and any other) safety measures.

Law enforcement will be present to help provide security during designated conference sessions held at the Convention Center.

Drop-Off Point:

Should your school choose to drop-off students/materials at the Convention Center, this must be done at the East Connector this year. To access the East Connector drop-off location, use the following address 400 N High Street (GPS directional address is 500 N. 3rd Street) Location: Entrance located via the 3rd Street overpass a.k.a. "The East Connector" Please note that this location may be unfamiliar to many of our attendees/drivers; please make sure that you are on the upper level of the road that is N. 3rd Street. (If you take the lower route, you may end up in a different spot.) The West Connector - 400 N High Street. This is for drop off ONLY, no parking at either connector.

Parking:

Attendees are welcome to search and pay for their parking each day of the event or Schools have the option to pre-pay for parking through the Convention Center at the following link:
<https://parking.columbusconventions.com/Onlinetickets/index.aspx?qs=UQogcybQ3Mo%3d>



Meals:

No meals/vouchers will be provided to registrants by SkillsUSA Ohio; however, the food court and various eateries throughout the Convention Center will be open and available for attendees/schools to purchase their own meals during business hours. Student’s and advisors should plan to bring \$10-\$15 for lunch.

Schedule Overview:

| THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024 | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| 10:00 am – 11:30 am | Registration (Packets and programs are to be picked up by advisors only) |
| 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Pre-Conference |
| 11:30 am | Doors open for the Opening General Session |
| 12:00 pm – 12:50 pm | Opening General Session |
| 1:00 pm | Advisor Training & Updates Session Begins |
| 1:00 pm | Student Sessions Begin - <i>available sessions below are subjected to change.</i> *Please refer to Statesman Award section below for session requirements. |
| A210,211,212 | SkillsUSA 101 (<i>Mandatory for ALL conference attendees</i>) |
| Union Station Ballroom | Regional Officer Candidate Orientation (<i>Mandatory for all Officer Candidates</i>) |
| Union Station Ballroom | Chapter Delegate Orientation (<i>Mandatory for all Chapter Delegates</i>) |
| A220 | Career Coaching: Identifying Your Dream Job |
| A224 | Fall Down? How to Get Back Up |
| A223 | Professional Etiquette |
| A213 | Taking Pride in Your Work: Why It’s Crucial |
| A113 | Industry Panel A - Construction Technologies, Education & Training, Information Technology |
| A114 | Industry Panel B - Government & Public Administration, Law & Public Safety, Transportation Systems |
| A214 | Industry Panel C - Arts & Communications, Health Science, Hospitality & Tourism, Human Services, Marketing |
| A215 | Industry Panel D - Business Administration, Engineering & Science Technologies, Finance, Manufacturing |
| A121 | Financial Management: Diversity and Financial Equity |
| A125 | Financial Management: Understanding Credit |
| A225 | So, You Want to Start Your Own Business? |
| A122 | Difficult Conversations: Conflict Resolution in the Workplace |
| A124 | Effective Communication & Networking |
| A123 | Leadership 101 (National Guard) |
| A221 | Time & Project Management |
| A222 | Understanding and Appreciating Differences in the Workplace |
| 4:30 pm – 6:45 pm | Dinner on your own |
| 7:15 pm – 9:00 pm | Evening General Session |
| 9:00 pm – 10:30 pm | Champions Dance (MUST WEAR FLC AND BADGE) |



| FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2024 | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 8:00 am | Candidate & Delegate Registration |
| 9:00 am | Regional Officer Elections- Elections could last longer than 12:00pm please plan accordingly |
| A113, A114 | NE Elections |
| A123,124 | SW Elections |
| A220, A221 | SE Elections |
| A222, A223 | NW Elections |
| A111,112 | C Elections |
| 9:00 am | Student Sessions Begin - <i>available sessions below are subjected to change.</i> |
| A210 | Chapter Excellence Program |
| A211 | Financial Management: Budgeting |
| A214 | Employability Skills |
| A212 | Leadership 101 |
| A213 | Listening and Communication Skills |
| A214 | The Alumni Experience |
| A224 | Why Take Pride in Your Work |
| A225 | Resume Building and Writing |
| Union Station A | Speed Networking (By your color group) MUST BRING RESUMES |
| 12:00 pm | Estimated conclusion time of Fall Leadership Conference |

Statesman Award Ribbons:

To be eligible to earn their Statesman Award, all students must earn all 4 different colored ribbons to “Build the Framework” on their name badges including: **Purple** for learning about SkillsUSA, **Red** for Personal Skills, **Blue** for Technical Skills Grounded in Academics, and **Black** for Workplace Skills! Ribbons will be distributed after successful completion of each session; it is the responsibility of the student to ensure they receive their ribbon before leaving the session. During the Champions Dance, there will be a table/booth set up near the entrance for students to receive their physical Statesman Award pin. Students are responsible for visiting the SkillsUSA Ohio Staff stationed at this designated location to present their name badge with all 4 earned ribbons attached. Students should check with their chapter advisor to ensure that any/all local school district requirements are also met before wearing the pin on their official SkillsUSA blazer. Upon completion of all requirements of both SkillsUSA Ohio and the student’s local school district, the student may wear their Fall Leadership Conference Statesman Award Pin proudly above the pocket on their SkillsUSA blazer, explained in the SkillsUSA Handbook.

Speed Networking:

In an exciting speed networking session, students can connect with industry partners from various fields, paving the way for future employment. As you engage in brief, focused conversations with representatives from diverse businesses. With resumes in hand to give potential employers and making valuable connections that could shape their professional futures. This event not only enhances your networking skills but also highlights the importance of building relationships in today's competitive job market. How it works each employer will be given two minutes to present to you, their company. Students will rotate with a group of 10 to each booth and in conclusion will be able to attend to present their resume to any company they would like to interview with.