



SkillsUSA Ohio Updates
January 19, 2021
12:00 – 1:00 pm

Regional Competitions:

- The deadline to register to compete at the regional level is Friday, January 22, 2021. All regional competitors must be SkillsUSA members by January 22. Please refer to our website (www.ohioskillsusa.org) for updates regarding regional competition. Do not register for State competition at this time – only for regionals.
- Testing will be February 10, 2021, at 9:30 AM. Test questions are structured by career field. Teachers should go over the outcomes by career field as noted on the regional page on our website. All regional competitions will be online testing only administered by CETE.
- There are no limits this year only as to how many can compete at regionals. Pricing for regional competitions is the first 3 competitors in a contest are \$35 each. After that, those in the contest are \$15 each. For team events, each person on the team must pay \$35. After that, fourth team registered would pay \$15 each.
- We will not be using Form R. Invoices will be generated when submitting registration. An invoice will be emailed to the person completing registration. Payments should be sent to SkillsUSA Ohio, 25 S. Front Street, MS 608, Columbus, OH 43215.
- Remember – Related Technical Math is going straight to state – will not run at regionals.
- Richard Huggins from CETE gave update. He shared PowerPoint (<https://go.osu.edu/SKUSA>) to go over what to expect on day of testing, which is February 10. The PowerPoint is available on the Ohio SkillsUSA website under the Regional page under Login Resources. Students will have 75 minutes to complete the test. Students will see how many questions they got right when finished.
- It is very important that we have accurate emails for the competitors and the advisor on record as they will receive the login information a week before competition plus the day before competition. Do not assume any student will go straight to state if they have an excellent score. There will be tie breakers to determine the top 3 in each region.

- If your student emails will not allow to receive from outside source, please work with your IT department to allow temporary access from Robert Kornack's email (Robert.Kornack@education.ohio.gov). Or you will need to distribute the login information to all your students once you receive it from Robert.
- If a student competes at the regional level and does not place in the top 3, they will be allowed to register for a straight to state contest to compete.
- We will only accommodate students on ADA guidelines – not IEPs.

State Conference:

- For the State Conference, we need contest coordinators for: First Aid/CPR, Aviation, Nurse Assisting and Building Maintenance. Please reach out to your advisory committees and if anyone is interested, let Jackie know. If we don't have a coordinator, we will not run the contest.
- There will be some off-site contests for state. We will not have more than one contest on any given day. We will also take travel distance in consideration when giving schools their times to compete. We will be under strict Covid guidelines. Questionnaires will need to be completed along with a waiver. Masks will be required, and temperatures will be checked.
- Jackie plans to have 4 types of state contests: 1) Virtual – online; 2) Virtual with proctor judging; 3) On site in school judging; and 4) In person off-site;
- For those contests going straight to state, we may need to limit the number of competitors. We are reviewing intent numbers with contest coordinators to see if they can accommodate large numbers.
- We don't yet have exact dates for each state competition. We are still working dates out with the contest coordinators.
- You may register alternates for team competitions, but this is not necessary. Per the program guidelines, greater than 50% of a team must compete at regionals to be able to move onto state if they were to place. For example, Teamworks is a team contest with 4 individual contestants. For that team to be eligible to advance to state competition, 3 out of the 4 team members must have competed at regionals. If a team is comprised of 3 contestants, then 2 must compete.
- For the Esthetics contest, we may be doing this contest 5 days with 2-3 hours per day. Let Jackie know if this is possible and if it will take too much time out of the classroom.
- State conference will run from March 4 – April 28. Awards ceremony will be April 30.

- Do not submit banner entries this year. Since we will not be going to Nationals, we do not need a banner this year. Remember to submit your Advisor of the Year applications no later than Friday, January 22. Also, pin and t-shirt designs for state contest are due January 22.
- As ODE is still working remotely, we realize fall conference awards have not yet been mailed out as they are sitting in the ODE office. We hope to have those mailed out to you soon. Jackie would also like some feedback as to the new newsletter.
- The national office is looking for teachers to join the national education team. For more information, please visit the home page of our website.