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2021 National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC)

***** Read ALL Information Carefully. *****

The 2021 National Leadership and Skills Conference (Virtual) will occur June 14 - 24, 2021.

Gold Medalists in national level competitions are eligible to compete at the NLSC. In the event your first place state finisher decides not to compete at NLSC, please let us know as soon as possible so we may offer the opportunity to the next place finisher. *(A list of qualifying national contests is at the end of this packet.)*

Registration:

Registration Fee this year is \$100. For Contestants and Advisors.

Engage – Pre-conference Advisor Professional Development – \$50.

Registration Deadline is May 10, 2021. No refunds for drops after May 14.

Payment must be received by May 12, 2021. Sorry, this is a hard deadline this year.

Please plan your payment process accordingly. If you feel your payment will not reach us by May 12, please know that we accept credit card payments (4% card processing fee applies to NLSC registration payments).

Registration needs to be completed online on the SkillsUSA national web site at register.skillsusa.org. The National Office is requiring advisors to register also.

Student Email is required, since conference is virtual. It is highly recommended that you use the student's **personal/home email**, not school email – school emails get blocked often, some schools disconnect student emails over the summer, graduating seniors, etc. Verify your student's current email.

Advisor Requirement – It is imperative that you read, understand and comply with the National's **NLSC Student Supervision Requirement**, attached to this memorandum.

*** Each chapter is required to register 1 advisor per 5 contestants.***

All registered advisors will have the opportunity to attend Academy of Excellence professional development topics – included in their registration.

All NLSC registrations are \$100 – Contestant, Advisor or other participant. Proctors, camera operators and Teacher/Adult Chaperone of record on the contestant's registration do not need to register, unless they are considered as the 1 per 5 for NLSC supervision requirement.

Contest Clothing Requirement – Review your Technical Standards Virtual for the national clothing polices for your specific contest(s).

Contestants with Special Needs - You must complete [this form](#) by June 1.

NLSC Competition Delivery –

The National SkillsUSA Competitions will utilize a Hybrid/Virtual Delivery, **requiring students to have access to school or another facility in order to perform their skill competitions, and an outside trade expert (Proctor) to be onsite** as a second camera operator receiving remote instructions from contest judges. Some details:

- Contestants will be required to access their contests by computer.
- Skill Competitions will be physical performance events, requiring access to school (or other) and specific equipment, tools, materials.
- Skill Competitions will be primarily Live via Zoom broadcasts. Also required for most skill contests is a second manned mobile camera for close-up detail. Internet at school (or other site) is required.
- A **Proctor (for many contests, a Technical Expert from B&I)** will be required to be present as the second camera operator, receiving instructions & directions from national judges for close-ups, detail, etc. Make sure you have permission in advance for outside person to enter campus. **Proctor requirements for each specific contest** will be spelled out in the document “**2021 NLSC Competition Dates, Materials List and other Contest Information**” that is posted on the [Contest Updates page](#).
- **Advisor must be present** in the competition Zoom broadcast view, for supervision & safety, and to ensure no directions or expressions are provided to the contestant.
- Leadership Contests might be able to be “attended” from home. Please check the [National Contest Technical Standards](#) and the [Contest Updates](#) site for information on your specific contest.
- Contestants/local chapters will be responsible for obtaining materials & supplies (for most contests). See the [National Contest Technical Standards VIRTUAL](#) and the [Contest Updates](#) site for a list of required items for your contest. There is a Competition Grant possible for contest materials & supplies for chapters in need during times of hardship – [NLSC Career Competition Grant \(Provided by Harbor Freight Tools for Schools and the Hope Fund\)](#) – 7th item on the list. Click on the green link for details and how to apply.
- There is a scholarship opportunity for SkillsUSA members to receive \$95 scholarship to offset the registration fees for the 2021 virtual National Leadership and Skills Conference – [NLSC Registration Scholarship \(Provided by Harbor Freight Tools for Schools and the Hope Fund\)](#) – 8th item on the list. Click on the green link for details and how to apply. **You must still submit your NLSC registration payment by the deadline – if you receive a scholarship, your registration payment for the scholarship recipient will be refunded.**
- **Skilled competitors are required to have instructor present in the shop area during NLSC (Safety Reasoning) but not required to pay registration fee.**

Check the SkillsUSA Contest Updates page regularly --

<https://www.skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/contest-updates/>

Check the “Competition List with supply needs and costs” Frequently and Regularly – [Click Here](#) for chart/spreadsheet:

- Supplies Needed
- Resume Submission – When and how
- Professional Development Test – When
- Written Assessments – When
- Video/Required Assessments Submission – What and When
- Orientation Meeting – When
- Contest Date(s)
- Proctor Rules
- Other Notes

NLSC Student Supervision Requirement

From the SkillsUSA National Office

SkillsUSA's highest priority is student safety and ensuring that our student members experience an environment that is conducive to learning. The 2021 virtual National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC) is no exception to this priority. It is imperative that students participating virtually are provided with supervision to ensure:

- A safe environment.
- The ability to troubleshoot technical difficulties.
- The ability to connect to an adult in case of an emergency.
- Access to an individual to advocate on the student's behalf.

With these goals in mind, the following NLSC Student Supervision Requirement has been established.

Each student participating in the NLSC as a competitor, contest model or Models of Excellence program participant is required to have an adult chaperone. This is ideally the student's SkillsUSA advisor, but it may be another instructor or staff member. It is recommended that a student competitor have one advisor registered for the conference who represents the program area for which the student is competing in. Specific professional development experiences have been created to provide additional value to the SkillsUSA advisor experience at NLSC.

A SkillsUSA advisor or other assigned chaperone may supervise up to five students during NLSC, schedules permitting. The only exception to this policy is for team competitions, where one advisor may chaperone all students on a single competition team, even if this number exceeds five students.

The registered advisor or chaperone must remain accessible *at all times* while their students are actively participating in NLSC. "Accessible" means participating with the student in the events as permissible; monitoring the student during skilled competitions to ensure safety practices are followed; and being immediately reachable by cell phone, text or email. This policy applies to *all* student participation in *all* NLSC activities on *all* dates. Students who do not have a registered advisor/chaperone will not be allowed to participate in NLSC activities, including competitions.

<u>National Contest Name</u>	<u>Team:</u>
3-D Visualization and Animation	2
Action Skills	
Additive Manufacturing	2
Advertising Design	
American Spirit	3
Architectural Drafting	
Audio/Radio Production	2
Automotive Refinishing Tech	
Automotive Service MLR	
Automotive Service Technology	
Aviation Maintenance Tech	
Barbering	
Basic Health Care Skills	
Broadcast News Production	4
Cabinetmaking	
Career Pathways Showcase	3
Carpentry	
Chapter Business Procedure	6
Chapter Display	3
CNC Milling	
CNC Technician	
CNC Turning	
Collision Damage Appraisal	
Collision Repair Technology	
Commercial Baking	
Community Action Project	2
Community Service	3
Computer Programming	
Cosmetology	
Crime Scene Investigation	3
Criminal Justice	
Culinary Arts	
Customer Service	
Cyber Security	2
Dental Assisting	
Diesel Equipment Technology	
Digital Cinema Production	2
Drone Pilot	2*
Early Childhood Education	
Electrical Construction Wiring	
Electronics Technology	
Employment Applicat'n Process	
EMT	2
Engineering Tech & Design	3
Entrepreneurship	4
Esthetics	
Extemporaneous Speaking	
Firefighting	
First Aid-CPR	

<u>National Contest Name</u>	<u>Team:</u>
Health Knowledge Bowl	4
Health Occupations Pro Portfolio	
HVACR	
Industrial Motor Control	
Information Tech Services	
Interactive App & Video Game	2
Internetworking	
Job Interview	
Job Skill Demonstration	
Marine Service Technology	
Masonry	
Mechatronics	2
Medical Assisting	
Medical Math	
Medical Terminology	
Mobile Robotics	2
Motorcycle Service Technology	
Nail Care	
Nurse Assisting	
Occupational Health & Safety	3
Opening & Closing Ceremonies	7
Outstanding Chapter	3
Photography	
Pin Design	
Plumbing	
Power Equipment Technology	
Practical Nursing	
Prepared Speech	
Principles of Engineering	
Promotional Bulletin Board	3
Quiz Bowl	5 to 7
Related Technical Math	
Restaurant Service	
Robotics and Automation Tech	2
Robotics: Urban Search & Rescue	2
Screen Printing	
Sheetmetal	
Team Engineering Challenge	3
TeamWorks	4
Technical Computer Applicat'ns	
Technical Drafting	
Telecommunications Cabling	
Television (Video) Production	2
T-Shirt Design	
Web Design	2
Welding	
Welding Fabrication	3
Welding Sculpture	