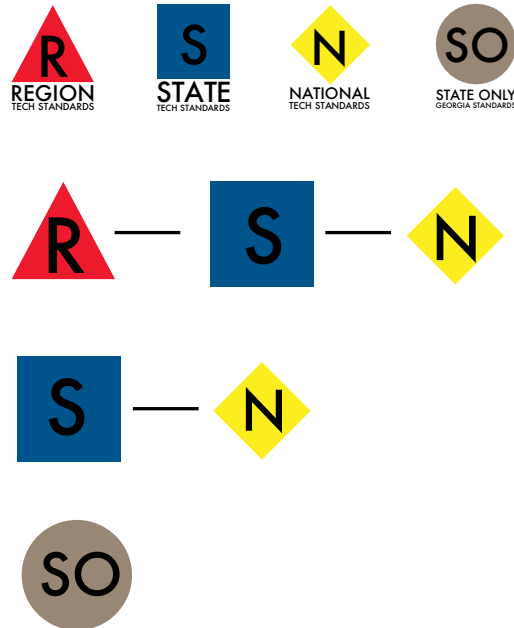


SkillsUSA
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**SkillsUSA Georgia
Championships Progression Guide**

Winning a SkillsUSA competition and becoming a SkillsUSA Champion is an exciting prospect when becoming a SkillsUSA member! But what does the road to Nationals look like? Below is a layout of the progression from Region Competitions to the National Leadership and Skills Conference.



REGION COMPETITION

Region competition takes place between December & February. The specific region competition date is dependent on what region you're in. You can determine what region you're in by clicking on this link: <https://www.skillsusageorgia.net/region-championships>

Once you determine what region you're in, you can look at what contests are offered at region competition: https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/219cfe_c4d070be2d33438ab0d9e5ba8ec0cc6f.pdf

Why is this important? Because only 1st and 2nd place at region competitions are able to advance to the SkillsUSA Georgia State Leadership and Skills Conference.

The EXCEPTIONS to this rule are below:

- TeamWorks top ten teams from across the state will move to SLSC
- Welding Fabrication top eight teams from across the state will move to SLSC
- Broadcast News top sixteen will move to SLSC
- Automotive Service Technology first place winner will advance to SLSC

This information is located in the region packet located on your specific region's page on the SkillsUSA GA website. Each region packet is specific to that region, so it is crucial that you're looking at the correct region. You can find the region page here: <https://www.skillsusageorgia.net/region-championships>

HOW TO PREPARE

Region competitive events are modeled after the national technical standards. You can access these Technical Standards via the National Registration site here: <https://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx>. We advise

students to be familiar with the technical standards but know that they will not be asked to complete every aspect of the technical standards. That only occurs at the National Leadership and Skills Conference.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Middle School members can compete in selected region competitions! They will also need to familiarize themselves with the technical standards located on the National Registration site: skillsusa.org/register. To view a list of competitions available to Middle Schoolers, please see: https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/219cfe_3bd66bd98ad6419aa25fcdd37f075494.pdf

CONTEST CLOTHING

Contestants must wear the approved SkillsUSA clothing or official contest clothing specified for their particular contests during competition or be subject to a penalty of up to 5 percent of the total points available. Each technical standard provides a picture of what the approved contest clothing is.

“SkillsUSA official attire” as indicated for specific contests refers to the following:

For men: Official blazer or jacket, black trousers with white dress shirt, plain black tie with no pattern (or official SkillsUSA black tie from: www.skillsusastore.org), black socks and black shoes.

For women: Official blazer or jacket, black slacks or knee-length skirt with businesslike white, collarless blouse or white blouse with small, plain collar that may not extend onto the lapels of the blazer, black sheer or skin-tone seamless hose and black dress shoes.

Note: T-shirt-style tops are not approved.

All personal jewelry should contribute to a businesslike appearance. Only official SkillsUSA jewelry is to be worn on a SkillsUSA blazer, jacket or sweater. Official jewelry is described as conference pin, SkillsUSA emblem, officer pin, President’s Volunteer Service Award pin, statesman pin (one only) and professional development (one only) pin.

My student member won at region competition! Yay! What’s next?

STATE LEADERSHIP AND SKILLS CONFERENCE

The State Leadership and Skills Competitions offers competitions that are both “Georgia Only” and “National” competitions. The State Leadership & Skills Conference is the biggest event of the year. Featuring the SkillsUSA State Championships, as well as delegate sessions and other leadership opportunities, you can’t afford to miss this exciting conference!



GEORGIA ONLY CONTESTS

“Georgia Only” contests are held at the State Leadership and Skills Conference and do not advance to the National Leadership and Skills Conference. These contests are governed by their own rules and are not found in the official technical standards. These rules will be updated each year and are found as downloads on this page: <https://www.skillsusageorgia.net/slsc-contest-guidelines>

You can win bronze, silver, and gold in these contests!

REGION CONTESTS

If your student placed first or second at region competition, then their next step is to prepare for State Conference by reviewing the Technical Standards. If they place first at the State Leadership and Skills Conference in a National Conference (not a Georgia- Only contest), then they will move on to the National Leadership and Skills Conference.

NATIONAL CONTESTS

“National” contests allow students to advance to the National Leadership and Skills Conference if they place gold at the SkillsUSA Georgia State Leadership and Skills Conference. Unlike “Georgia Only” contests, you cannot access the guidelines for these contests on the SkillsUSA Georgia website. You can only access the Technical Standards by logging into the National Registration site.

What are Technical Standards? Technical Standards are the rules and guidelines of a contests which are updated annually by the National SkillsUSA Staff. You will use your professional member credentials to access these standards. If you have questions about how to access these standards please reach out to our hotline operators at 844-875-4557 or operators@skillsusa.org.

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

It is crucial that your student is familiar with the technical standard for their contest, but they will not be tested on every aspect of the technical standard at the State Leadership and Skills Conference.

WEBSITE CHART

We have created a contests chart which will tell you whether the contest is a “Georgia Only” contest or if it is a “National” contest to help you understand if you’ll need to access the Georgia Downloads (for a “Georgia Only” contest), or if you’ll need to access technical Standards for “National” contests. You can access it here: <https://www.skillsusageorgia.net/slsc-contest-guidelines>

“I won first place at the State Leadership and Skills Conference in a National contest,” Congrats! The NLSC packet with details is emailed two weeks post SLSC.