

SkillsUSA Ohio Advisor Training Agenda
Deer Creek State Park and Conference Center
October 3-4, 2024



****New Advisors will actively be building a chapter as we go****

START TIME	LOCATION	TRACK	SESSION	SESSION DETAILS
Day One - Thursday, October 3, 2024				
9:00 AM - 9:40 AM		General	Registration	Welcome! Conference will start promptly at 945AM.
9:45 AM - 9:55 AM		General	Welcome, Introductions, & Updates	Explanation of the 2023 Advisor Training Conference and how it plays into the SkillsUSA Ohio program over the next year. Be prepared to think "outside the box!"
10:00 AM - 10:50 AM		1	Fostering Admin Support: Creating a SkillsUSA Culture	<i>*This session is suggested for Advisors with less than 3 years' experience**</i> Administrators from Vanguard-Sentinel will examine ways to engage faculty, administration, your local community, stakeholders, and advisory committee members to increase participation and support. They will also explore how to make resources work for you to support not only your SkillsUSA chapter, but your school and its career-tech programs. They will also explore creating a SkillsUSA culture in school.
		2	New Ideas in Chapter Management	<i>*This session is suggested for Advisors with 4+ years' experience**</i> Sara Plozay will explore new ideas from experienced instructors on how to create a successful SkillsUSA culture in schools. We will review exciting ways to utilize student-leaders to keep chapters fresh and reduce the workload on local advisors. This session will give you a chance to review the tolls you have been given and put them together, so you leave with a plan for your local chapter!
10:55 AM - 11:45 AM		General	Advisory Committees: How to successfully engage industry partners at your school	Tony Trapp from Upper Valley Career Center will demonstrate how to speak with and engage business and industry to make sure you are getting the best experience for them and for you. He will give you a different perspective into SkillsUSA from the industry's point of view; why they value our program, what the potential for industry is, and how does that translate to your advisory committees.
11:50 AM - 12:40 PM		General	LUNCH	This is included for all registrants and is a chance to network with colleagues!
12:45 PM - 2:15 PM		1	Advisor Roles & Responsibilities	<i>*This session is suggested for Advisors with less than 3 years' experience**</i> Jackie Walker will review options and expectations of SkillsUSA Advisors and how to plan your year. She will review the timeline for growing local officers, registration deadlines, and how to not miss important dates. We will explore the "7 Deadly Sins" of being a CTSO Advisor and how to have fun with students in and out of the classroom while making smart choices.
		2	New Ways to Use Local Officers	<i>*This session is suggested for Advisors with more than 3 years' experience**</i> Jennifer Snyder will breathe some new life into officer programs. She will talk about how she has ignited passion and enthusiasm with her officers at the local level. She will talk about how to inspire them to greatness will reigniting excitement in the school and the community with local officer programs. (Inspire new ideas and develop ways to reignite your officer programs!)

2:20 PM - 3:10 PM		General	The "Why" of SkillsUSA	Ohio Department of Education will discuss the new direction of SkillsUSA and why it is an important and integral addition to Career and Technical Education; giving an introduction to the program, Framework and how all this ties into Ohio's Strand 1 Alignment. This session will also review the registration system, the basics of SkillsUSA Ohio, usage of the membership kits, and discuss the need for industry integration into SkillsUSA Ohio and your classroom.
3:15 PM - 4:05 PM		1	Beginning Your Chapter: First Steps & How to Manage the First 3 Years	**This session is suggested for Advisors with less than 3 years' experience** Warren Caskey got to study with a great! Explore how Warren inherited a chapter and how he has rebuilt it from the ground up. He will explore what it took for him and how even though he was inheriting "an established chapter" how he had to learn how to be an advisor from the ground up. Warren will also talk about his "special project" and how it rallied his school.
		2	Local Competitions: How to Get Them Started	**This session is suggested for Advisors with more than 3 years' experience** Jennifer Snyder will get you excited about local competitions. She will inspire new ideas and help you develop new ways to institute local competitions in your chapter.
4:10 PM - 5:00 PM		General	SkillsUSA Resources: How to Use Them for Chapter Planning	Sara Plozay will take an in-depth look at the Program of Work for experienced advisors. Why it is so important to the SkillsUSA program and to student's futures. While reviewing some project ideas, she will review how to inspire students around project management and how to get them to connect the dots between CEP, the Program of Works, and real life!
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM		General	Dinner & Networking	Join us for a special evening of networking with your peers sponsored by Columbus Collision Education Group. This is included for all registrants and a chance to network with colleagues! We will take a new spin on this loved event for 2023!
Day Two - Friday, October 4, 2024				
7:30 AM - 8:15 AM		General	Breakfast	This is included for all registrants and is a chance to network with colleagues!
8:15 AM - 9:05 AM		General	ODE Update	Robert Kornack will review ODE updates and review the opportunities for you and your students at the regional, state, and national level.
9:10 AM - 10:00 AM		1	The Importance and "Why" of Officers	**This session is suggested for Advisors with less than 3 years' experience** Local officer programs are the "Life blood" of a chapter. These students will help with duties and communicating with their peers as well as taking the lead of projects within the Chapter. Jennifer Widdig will explain the importance of officer programs and how to get them started. If you already have an officer program but are a new advisor, she will help breathe life into officer programs. She will talk about how she has ignited passion and enthusiasm with her officers at the local level.
		2	How to Create Buy in with Other School Instructors	**This session is suggested for Advisors with 4+ years' experience** Instructors from Vanguard-Sentinel will explore and unpack how they create buy in with instructors-they will give you some tid bits to ignite a spark of interest in instructors while answering their "why get involved" questions.
10:05 AM - 10:55 AM		General	Chapter Excellence Program (CEP)	Sara Plozay will review chapter management and implementation of the Framework and Chapter Excellence Program (CEP) into current chapter programs. With the implementation of the Level 1 requirement to compete, she will emphasize the importance of the local chapter to student success. She will review all the essential "pieces of a successful chapter". In addition, this session will review how to develop SMART goals, along with new ways to take your program to the next level!
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11:40 AM - 12:40 PM		General	Industry Engagement in Local Chapters	Toby Prinsen from Apollo Career Center and Jon Ranly from Area Electric will give valuable insight into how to engage with industry on the local level. He will review how to speak with them or do an “ask” to get the most out of industry partners. He will also explain why industry partners are a valuable asset to have actively engaged. Jon will also touch on the value of Signing Days and how to incorporate SkillsUSA with that experience.
12:40 PM - 1:25 PM		1	Local Competitors: The “How” and “Why”	**This session is suggested for Advisors with less than 3 years’ experience** Jeff Bertke will be exploring the importance and the “how” behind local competitions. This session will look at how to gets your students excited, engage your advisory committee, and the administration of your school in order to support your SkillsUSA Chapter.
		2	Program Improvement Session	**This session is suggested for Advisors with 4+ years’ experience** Meet Caitlin Noll, Caitlin is the Program Manager for SkillsUSA Ohio and will be reviewing and taking suggestions on Regional/State Championships, Events, SkillsUSA Ohio Engagement, Website, and Local Chapters.
1:30 PM - 2:20 PM		General	Building a Successful Chapter: Bringing It All Together	BEST PRACTICE SESSION! The SkillsUSA Ohio team will facilitate forming chapters. All attendees will collaborate together to form the best chapter in SkillsUSA Ohio history!
2:25 PM - 2:45 PM		General	Competitions and How They Are Related to the Big Picture	Jackie Walker will discuss preparing for the SkillsUSA Ohio State and Regional Championships and how they are related to the Big Picture.
2:45 PM - 3:15 PM		General	SkillsUSA Ohio Update for 2023 - 2024	Jackie Walker will discuss the plans for SkillsUSA Ohio events, competition updates and alignments, and other activities. This session will review the opportunities for you and your students at the regional, state, and national level. As we move into the next generation, we are working together to develop a plan for the long-term sustainability of SkillsUSA Ohio. This session will also look at the up-and-coming middle school division and post-secondary divisions of SkillsUSA Ohio. Wrap-up and distribution of Certificates and Curriculum materials.

**** Please note****

Track 1 is suggested for Advisors with less than 3 years’ experience and Track 2 is suggested for Advisors with 4+ years’ experience.