



Horticulture

Purpose: To evaluate each competitor's preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of horticulture.

On-Site/Off-Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ On-Site
Contest Date	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 4/9/2024
Contest Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Convention Center▪ D-Hall
Early/Normal Start Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Normal Start Time▪ Registration will open at 8:00am. Please report to B-Hall Show Office for Registration. Competition will begin at 10:00am.
Contest Open/Closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Open▪ Exhibit Halls do not open to observers until 12:00pm.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Schools may send competitors based on competition results at the OGIA OHLO Conference. Competitions must have qualified at the OGIO OHLO Conference.
Competition Clothing (To be worn on Day 1)	Competition Specific Attire: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Competitors are asked to wear the OGIA OHLO Conference t-shirt, with jeans or work pants. If the OHLO t-shirt is no-longer available, competitors must wear a plain colored t-shirt. No branded items are allowed to be worn in this competition.
Safety Equipment Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ N/A
Awards Ceremony Attire	SkillsUSA Official Attire: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Official SkillsUSA red blazer

<p>(To be worn on Day 2)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Button-up, collared, white dress shirt (accompanied by a plain, solid black tie or SkillsUSA black tie), or white shirt (collarless or small-collared), with any collar not to extend into the lapel area of the blazer ▪ Black dress slacks or black dress skirt (knee-length at minimum) ▪ Black closed-toe dress shoes ▪ Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be black dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern <p>Or,</p> <p>Business Dress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Blazer, sports coat, or dress ▪ Button-up, collared, white dress shirt (accompanied by a plain, solid black tie or SkillsUSA black tie), or white shirt (collarless or small-collared), with any collar not to extend into the lapel area of the blazer ▪ Dress slacks or dress skirt (knee-length at minimum) ▪ Closed-toe dress shoes ▪ Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be black dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern
<p>Testing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students should be prepared to take a written knowledge test.
<p>Provided by Contestant (Tool List)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 4" flat head screwdriver ▪ 4" Phillips head screwdriver ▪ 6" flat head screwdriver ▪ 1/8" cabinet tip screwdriver
<p>Contest Notes, Themes, & Deadlines</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Registration available at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ https://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx ○ Please connect with your school's SkillsUSA advisor for assistance with accessing the registration portal. ▪ Refer to OHLO Contest Guidelines for specific contest information. ▪ This contest will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cost estimating ○ Landscaping design

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sales presentation ○ Plant identification ▪ Students will compete individually in all four components. ▪ All competitors will participate in an orientation at the start of the contest, in which they will be given the customer’s needs and budget for a landscaping project.
Special Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Starting in 2024, all State Contests will begin to add a scenario-based component. ▪ Contact with Contest Coordinators is prohibited. Contact with Contest Coordinators outside of the SkillsUSA Ohio office may result in contestant disqualification. ▪ All safety requirements will be heavily enforced. Violation may result in contestant disqualification. ▪ No smart watches and/or phones are permitted during the contest and/or in contest. ▪ No contact with anyone outside of the contest area once the contest begins. ▪ No inappropriate communication between contestants such as verbally degrading another contest. ▪ No cheating on any portion of the contest such as informing another contestant of the skills/test prior to competing. ▪ Starting in 2024, Wi-Fi is provided for contests where it is required for contest success.
National Technical Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This is a state only contest. There is no corresponding National Technical Standard for this competition.
Resume/Interview Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All SkillsUSA Ohio State Championship Contests will require a short interview component. Students should be prepared with basic job interview skills. ▪ All contestants must have a hard copy of a one (1) page personal resume.