

Early Childhood Education

Purpose: To evaluate a competitor's knowledge of early childhood education based on developmentally appropriate practice for children ages 3-5 years. This is demonstrated through a written test, interview, literary reading, and the ability to create and implement a lesson in a designated content area determined by the committee.

On-Site/Off-Site	 On-Site
Contest Date	■ 4/9/2024
Contest Location	Convention CenterA225
Early/Normal Start Time	 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	 Closed
Eligibility	 Schools may send two (2) competitor(s) for every 50 paid SkillsUSA members based on local competition enrolled in a program where the scope of the contest described in the SkillsUSA Technical Content Standards reflects a major component of the program. Please refer to the National Technical Standards for more eligibility details on this contest.
Competition Clothing (To be worn on Day 1)	 Business Casual: Polo or other collared shirt Khakis or dress pants; no jeans Closed-toe dress shoes

Safety Equipment Required	 Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern. Note: School identifiers and contestant names must be covered. N/A
	 SkillsUSA Official Attire: Official SkillsUSA red blazer 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 skintone and seamless/nonpattern
Awards Ceremony Attire (To be worn on Day 2)	Or,
	 Business Dress: 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 skintone and seamless/nonpattern
Testing	 Students should be prepared to take a written knowledge test.
Provided by Contestant (Tool List)	 12" ruler. Scissors. Scotch tape - 1 roll. Stapler.

	 Staples – 1 strip. Paper clips – 10. Ink pens – 2 black or blue. Sharpened pencils with erasers – 3. Markers – 10-count. Crayons – 8-count. White school glue – 4 oz. bottle. Glue sticks – 2. Construction paper, white – 10 sheets. Construction paper assorted – 10 sheets. All competitors must create a one-page résumé and submit a hard copy to the technical committee chair at orientation. Failure to do so will result in a 10-point penalty.
Contest Notes, Themes, & Deadlines	 N/A
Special Notes	 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	 Please refer to the 2023-2024 National Technical Standards for all contests. Any and all standards included may be tested in any competition. In conjunction with National Standards, violations may result in student loss of contest.

Resume/Interview Requirement	 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.
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