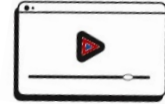




2021 HYBRID STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS **Contest Format Guidelines for**



LIVE OFF-SITE

2021 SkillsUSA Ohio State Championships COVID-19 Disclaimer:

SkillsUSA Ohio recommends following all safety and health precautions dictated by CDC guidelines, the State of Ohio, individual school districts, and (when applicable) each contest's respective host site/location. All guidelines should be followed in their entirety while competing in or participating at any event.

2021 HYBRID CONTEST FORMAT & DATE INFORMATION

- There are four main formats for contests being held in our hybrid format this year:
 - 1) Live Off-Site Contest
 - 2) Live In-School Judged Contest
 - 3) In-School Proctored Contest
 - 4) Virtual Contest (Zoom/Dropbox/JotForm/Classmarker)

2021 HYBRID REQUIREMENT LIST FOR ALL CONTESTS (to be provided by the contestant)

- Access to contestant email account/address that was used during the registration process
- Device with internet, video, and audio capabilities (and corresponding power cables)
 - Cell phone cameras often have the best resolution are permitted to be used this year to transmit video/audio footage only
 - In some contests, multiple cameras/devices may be required
 - Contestants are not permitted to wear/have a smartwatch in the contest area; contestants may be asked to show they are not wearing one
- Pre-downloaded and updated Zoom software on device(s) that will be used by contestant
- Access to Dropbox and JotForm file sharing platforms and ability to transfer required documents
- Access to Classmarker and ability to complete online tests through that platform
- Ability to receive emails from @ohioskillsusa.org, @skillsusaohio.org, and @education.ohio.gov
- Completion of SkillsUSA Ohio's COVID-19 waiver form (found at <https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/state-championship>) and submission of said form to the designated Dropbox (found at <https://www.dropbox.com/request/otCWzViGM9l89cian7Lg?oref=e>)
 - This is required prior to participation in the contest
 - All files submitted to Dropbox must be labeled with the participant's last name, first initial, and name of document/contest

- Completion of SkillsUSA Ohio's technology waiver form (found at <https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/state-championship>) and submission of said form to the designated Dropbox (found at <https://www.dropbox.com/request/xteTLPUguCFbynV5C0m4?oref=e>)
 - This is required prior to participation in the contest
 - All files submitted to Dropbox must be labeled with the participant's last name, first initial, and name of document/contest
- Basic interview skills/materials, including digitized resume and writing utensil

2021 LIVE OFF-SITE CONTEST ORIENTATION/SCHEDULE

- The specific date(s) upon which each particular contest will be held will be included on each contest's Materials List and will be listed on SkillsUSA Ohio's website page for State Championships (<https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/state-championship>)
- This contest will be held in-person with social distancing measures in place at an off-site location. (The name and address of the facility will be posted on <https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/state-championship>)
- Contestant orientation will be held in-person on this contest's unique date at a designated time (which will be posted on <https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/state-championship>).
- Orientation is for contestants only and is closed to advisors.
- Contestants will be informed of instructions and/or their specific time slot to compete during Orientation; time slots will be assigned randomly. Contestants should arrive at Orientation ready to compete.

2021 LIVE OFF-SITE CONTEST RULES/INFORMATION

- Regarding COVID-19 safety restrictions:
 - The following safety precautions/exceptions to the contest should be taken and the contestants will not be penalized:
 - Space requirements for contest will not be graded; competitors should remain 6 feet apart from others throughout the contest.
 - Masks/facial coverings must be worn at all times while competing/participating; these will not be provided by the host site.
 - Some contest locations may require N-95 grade masks to be worn; these masks will not be provided by the host site.
 - Temperature of competitors will be taken upon arrival to the contest site.
 - Controlled and limited access to the facility will be enforced.
 - Food will not be provided nor permitted to be consumed at the host site; prior arrangements need to be made to ensure food consumption is done off-site.
 - Contest schedules will be created in such a way to allow for this restriction.
 - The above list is not all inclusive; participants should be prepared to comply with any additional requirements of the host location.

- No spectators are permitted this year.
 - This includes instructors/drivers, who may not be permitted to enter the facility, depending upon the host site's requirements.
 - A member of the SkillsUSA Ohio staff will be present to help ensure that policies are enforced.
- All competitors must access the COVID-19 questionnaire (on the SkillsUSA Ohio website at <https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/state-championship>) in advance of the contest; this must be completed and submitted via Dropbox (at <https://www.dropbox.com/request/Xt0hUQh0MuL7fsPJc1BX?oref=e>) within 24 hours before the contest date.
 - Competitors will be required to complete another COVID-19 questionnaire after arriving to the contest location on the date of the contest.
- Any participant (including competitors, school representatives, etc.) who does not comply with COVID-19 screening procedures/requirements and/or does not satisfactorily meet the health standards of the facility may be disqualified, prohibited from competing, and/or removed from the facility.
- Regarding the contest format/platform:
 - This contest may be conducted in-part via Dropbox and/or JotForm (online file submission platform).
 - The submission link will be included on the contest's Materials list.
 - All files submitted to Dropbox/JotForm must be labeled in the following manner: contest name, competitor's last name, competitor's first initial, description of document.
 - Submissions will automatically be timestamped by the platform; entries timestamped after the deadline may be disqualified.
 - This contest may be conducted in-part via Classmarker (online testing platform).
 - The testing link will be included on the contest's Materials list.
 - Testing will automatically be timestamped by the platform; tests timestamped after the deadline may be disqualified.
- Regarding integrity and ethics:
 - All participants and supporters are expected to honor the SkillsUSA Creed, which includes the tenants of fair play and adhering to high moral standards.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

- Beginning in 2020, all SkillsUSA Ohio State Championship contests may include a short interview component; students should be prepared with basic job interview skills and a resume.
- Beginning in 2021, all SkillsUSA Ohio State Championship contestants may be required to complete a written employability test. The 2021 employability test would be administered online; instructions on how to access and take the test would be sent directly to the contestant's email that was used for registration. (This is to help students better prepare for the National contests.)

SCOPE OF THE CONTEST

The contest will be judged based on the criteria established in the current year's National Technical Standards, which are updated annually. National Technical Standards are accessed through your Professional SkillsUSA Membership benefits by logging on to your SkillsUSA account at <https://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx>.