



Extemporaneous Speaking

To evaluate each competitor's ability to give a speech, with minimal advanced preparation, on an assigned topic.

On-Site/Off-Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On-Site
Contest Date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 5/5/2026
Contest Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Convention Center ● A210
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"> ● Closed ● This contest is closed to observers, instructors, and advisors.
Eligibility & Contest Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Please refer to the Program Guidelines for eligibility- https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/resources/ ● Regional Qualifier Contest (Must attend and place in the top 4 at Regionals to Qualify to Compete at State Level)
Clothing	<p><u>For Competition Day the Dress Code is:</u> Class A</p> <p><u>For the Awards Ceremony the Dress Code is:</u> Class A or Class J</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SkillsUSA Ohio Clothing Guide
Safety Equipment Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● N/A
Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students should be prepared to take a written knowledge test.
Provided by Contestant (Tool List)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● One copy of a 1 page typed personal resume
Contest Notes, Themes, & Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No photography. ● All electronic devices (cellphones, tablets, laptops, cameras, video recorders, smart watches, and tape recorders) must be in the OFF position for the duration of the contest.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The speech topic is based upon material in the SkillsUSA Leadership Handbook and will not be revealed until the contestant enters the preparation room. • SkillsUSA Framework Fundamentals Cards.
WIFI Provided?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No
Special Notes/Rules for All Contests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starting in 2024, all Skilled Trade State Contests (most leadership contests already use scenarios) will begin to add a scenario-based component. • <u>Wi-Fi will NOT BE AVAILABLE unless listed above.</u> If you need WIFI access, please plan to bring a hotspot. • All safety requirements will be heavily enforced. Competitors are to follow all safety standards and OSHA Regulations <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Contestants MUST HAVE A COPY OF THEIR EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORM IN THEIR NAME BADGE AT ALL TIMES</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PROHIBITED; VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MAY RESULT IN COMPETITOR DISQUALIFICATION:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact with Contest Coordinators is prohibited. - Contact with Contest Coordinators outside of the SkillsUSA Ohio is strictly prohibited. - Possession of smart watches and/or phones during the contest and/or in contest. - Contact with anyone outside of the contest area once the contest begins. - Inappropriate communication between contestants such as verbally degrading another contest. - Cheating on any portion of the contest such as informing another contestant of the skills/test prior to competing. - Lack of Copy Emergency Medical Form in Name Badge.
National Technical Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please refer to the 2024-2026 National Technical Standards for all contests. All standards included may be tested in any competition. • In conjunction with National Standards, lack of understanding of State Level competition standards (this document) may result in student loss of contest.
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 <u>must have a hard copy</u> of a one (1) page personal resume.