



## Heavy Equipment Operations

*To evaluate each competitor's preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of heavy equipment operation.*

<b>On-Site/Off-Site</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Off-Site</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Date</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4/11/2026</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Location</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IUOE Dayton Local 18 Training Location</li> <li>• 4250 Soldiers Home-Miamisburg Road Miamisburg, Ohio 45342</li> </ul>
<b>Early/Normal Start Time</b>	<p>Contest Specific Start Time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools may schedule 1 hour time slots to familiarize themselves with the equipment on April 10, 2026. The contest coordinator will send contact information to schools following registration closing to schedule time slots.</li> <li>• Contest day registration will be open from 7:00-7:30 am on April 11, 2026.</li> <li>• Orientation for the competition will begin at 7:30 am.</li> <li>• The competition will begin immediately following the orientation.</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Open/Closed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Limited</li> <li>• Observers, instructors, and advisors will be able to view contestants ONLY from designated observation areas. Any communication with competitors may be grounds for disqualification.</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility &amp; Contest Type</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please refer to the Program Guidelines for eligibility- <a href="https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/resources/">https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/resources/</a></li> <li>• Regional Qualifier Contest Must place in top 10 at Regionals to Qualify to Compete at State</li> </ul>
<b>Clothing</b>	<p><b><u>For Competition Day the Dress Code is:</u></b> Class C or Class D</p> <p><b><u>For the Awards Ceremony the Dress Code is:</u></b> Class A or Class J</p>

	<a href="https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/wp-content/uploads/Clothing-Classifications_2026.pdf">https://www.ohioskillsusa.org/wp-content/uploads/Clothing-Classifications_2026.pdf</a>
<b>Safety Equipment Required</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hard Hat</li> <li>● Safety Glasses or glasses with side shields</li> </ul>
<b>Testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Students should be prepared to take a written knowledge test.</li> </ul>
<b>Provided by Contestant (Tool List)</b>	<p>There will be 13 stations at this year’s competition demonstrating skills and/or knowledge from the list below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Excavator Operation</li> <li>● Skid Loader Operation</li> <li>● Material Identification</li> <li>● Surveying</li> <li>● Dozer Operation</li> <li>● Truck Loading Operation</li> <li>● Rigging Identification</li> <li>● Equipment Inspection</li> <li>● Grade Stake Reading</li> <li>● Blueprint reading-lines, symbols, and abbreviations</li> <li>● Job Interview</li> <li>● Hand Signals</li> <li>● PPE Identification</li> <li>● Survey Equipment Identification</li> <li>● Wheeler Loader Operation</li> </ul>
<b>Contest Notes, Themes, &amp; Deadlines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● N/A</li> </ul>
<b>WIFI Provided?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No</li> </ul>
<b>Special Notes/Rules for All Contests</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><u>Wi-Fi will NOT BE AVAILABLE unless listed above .</u></b> If you need WIFI access, please plan to bring a hotspot.</li> <li>● All safety requirements will be heavily enforced. Competitors are to follow all safety standards and OSHA Regulations.</li> <li>● Completed and signed Tool and Equipment Safety Form must be turned in at registration.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Contestants MUST HAVE A COPY OF THEIR EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORM IN THEIR NAME BADGE AT ALL TIMES.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PROHIBITED; VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MAY RESULT IN COMPETITOR DISQUALIFICATION:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Contact with Contest Coordinators is prohibited.</li> <li>● Contact with Contest Coordinators outside of the SkillsUSA Ohio is strictly prohibited.</li> <li>● Possession of smart watches, phones, or devices during the contest.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Contact with anyone outside of the contest area once the contest begins.</li> <li>● Inappropriate communication between contestants.</li> <li>● Cheating on any portion of the contest such as informing another contestant of the skills/test prior to competing.</li> <li>● Lack of Copy Emergency Medical Form in Name Badge.</li> </ul>
<b>National Technical Standards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Please refer to the <b>2024-2026 National Technical Standards</b> for all contests. All standards included may be tested in any competition.</li> <li>● In conjunction with National Standards, lack of understanding of State Level competition standards (this document) may result in student loss of contest.</li> </ul>
<b>Resume/Interview Requirement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● All SkillsUSA Ohio State Championship Contests will require a short interview component. Students should be prepared with basic job interview skills.</li> <li>● All contestants <b><u>must have a hard copy</u></b> of a one (1) page personal resume.</li> </ul>