

SkillsUSA California
43rd Annual State Leadership Conference
and
SkillsUSA Championships

April 08 to April 11, 2010

Town and Country Resort and Convention Center
San Diego, California

IMPORTANT DATES

Hotel Reservation Closes	March 19, 2010
Online Conference Registration Closes	March 19, 2010
All Conference Fees Must Be Paid By	March 26, 2010
State Officer Application	March 26, 2010
Cancellation (with Refund)	March 26, 2010
National Voting Delegate Application	April 08, 2010

Registration Fees: Now to March 19, 2010 - \$150.00
March 20-26, 2010 - \$175.00

Mail Registration to: SkillsUSA California, Board Treasurer
PO Box 690
Santa Margarita, CA 93453

Online Hotel Reservations: Town and Country Resort and Convention Center (**Registration is now open**)

To make Hotel reservations for the Conference, go to:

https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=1005282

- *All Hotel reservation need to be completed by the individual chapters using this web address and site. All fees and hotel costs are paid by the chapter directly to the hotel.*
- *It is important that the organization fill the contracted block of rooms.*
- *The entire SkillsUSA California delegation will be at one hotel this year. It is important for you to know that if you stay at a different hotel or you don't reserve your room through the website, SkillsUSA CA incurs additional fees and costs for the State Conference resulting in increased student and chapter costs in the future.*

For Registration Inquires Contact Dara Dubois (916) 445-7754, or Clay Mitchell (916) 445-5568.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

- Only Gold Medal winners from regional competitions will be guaranteed a spot to compete at state. Silver medal winners may register as alternates per the Advancement Policy. Please review the Advancement Policy in the Rules Governing the SkillsUSA California Leadership and Skills Championships or at the SkillsUSA California web site.
- Gold and Silver medal, winner's names will be forwarded to the SkillsUSA California State Co-Directors office. All Chapter Advisors must fill out the State Conference registration form and submit the proper fees to SkillsUSA California Board Treasurer, PO Box 690, Santa Margarita, CA 93453 **before the March 19, 2010 deadline** in order for the medal winners to be registered and advance to State Conference.
- Please note there will be a \$50.00 service charge per check if a refund is requested. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER March 26, 2010.**
- If you register before March 19, 2010, registration is \$150.00 per person. From March 20-26, 2010, the registration fee is \$175.00 per person.
- All registered students and advisors are required to have a completed and signed Form 1 on file with the SkillsUSA California Conference Office. Chaperones and school staff responsible for student oversight must have a completed and signed Form 2 on file with the SkillsUSA California Conference Office. (form is available at www.skillsusaca.org under online resources).
- Qualified contestants at state are allowed to compete in one skill, - or - one leadership and one skill - or - two leadership contests. *If there is a schedule conflict between contest times, it is the contestant's choice as to which contest they will compete in. **Schedule conflicts cannot be grieved.***
- All conference registration forms and fees must be **RECEIVED by the SkillsUSA CA Board Treasurer by March 26, 2010!**
- If a contestant requires special consideration or accommodations, please contact Dara Dubois ddubois@cde.ca.gov and/or Clay Mitchell cmitchel@cde.ca.gov via email at least two weeks prior to the Conference. All reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate special needs.

Any questions should be directed to Dara Dubois (916) 445-7754, or Clay Mitchell (916) 445-5568.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. What are the portfolio requirements?** A. All portfolios must include a title page, table of contents, cover letter, resume, hand written job application, letter of recommendation, a work sample summary (write-up) and evidence to support the work sample summary. Refer to SkillsUSA California web site for more information. www.skillsusaca.org
- Q. Is Job Demo A and O a skill or leadership contest?** A. Both Job Demo A and O are leadership contests.
- Q. How many contests can a member compete in at the State level?** A. A member can compete in one leadership and one skill contest - or - two leadership contests – or one skill contest at state. Remember, if there is a contest time conflict, the contestant must pick one to compete in. Time conflicts cannot be grieved.
- Q. Can I pay late?** A. The registration fees are \$150.00 up to 3/19/10. From 3/19/10 to 3/26/10 conference registration is \$175.00.
- Q. What form of payment is acceptable?** A. *Conference Registration* - All payments must be made by check, payable to SkillsUSA California and sent to the Board Treasurer PO Box . **PO's will not be accepted.** *Hotel Registration* – See online Hotel registration information at https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome_ei_new&eventID=1005282
- Q. Can I change someone on a team, i.e. Opening/Closing Ceremony?** A. YES, as long as the substitute is a paid member and the substitute is registered for the conference. If a member has an unforeseen circumstance and cannot attend the conference, the advisor can make a substitution at time of on-site registration. No substitution will be allowed after on-site registration.
- Q. One of my members left our district and no longer attends our school; can I get a refund?** A. Yes, up to March 26, 2010. Please note there will be a \$50.00 service charge per check if a refund is requested. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER March 26, 2010.**
- Q. If a member wins a medal do they have to be present to receive it?** A. YES. Winning a medal and receiving that medal is an important event in that young person's life. Any member not present to receive their medal will forfeit that medal and all winners present will move up one spot. In special cases, permission may be granted providing written approval is obtained and on file with the Skills USA CA State Co-Directors prior to the beginning of the awards ceremony.
- Q. Do I have to bring my chapter to the opening ceremony?** A. YES. The Opening Ceremony is an important event in the member's participation in SkillsUSA California. Important last minute information and updates are included during the Opening Ceremony, too.
- Q. If my contestant arrived late for a contest do they get extra time?** A. No. Extra time won't be given.
- Q. What does the 150.00 registration fee include?** A. Every registered conference attendee will receive the following meals: Conference materials; Friday – lunch (noon), and formal banquet Friday night; Saturday – box lunch (noon). For individuals driving and parking a car or van, there is an additional \$10 per day fee if you are registered with the hotel as a group member (if you are not registered with the group, parking is \$16 per day).

- Q. Does the contestant need to bring their Portfolio to the state contest? A.** YES. Advisors will turn in all Portfolios to Region Coordinators at check-in they will be graded in a central location. Students who are in a leadership contest should print extra copies as the office will not pull the student portfolios once they are turned in. **All other contests require a single one page resume.** Job interview contestants should bring THREE copies of their portfolio so each person on the interview panel has a copy during the interview.
- Q. When is the best time to contact someone about clarification or more information about registration or conference information? A.** Call or email Dara Dubois (916) 445-7754 ddubois@cde.ca.gov or Clay Mitchell 916-445-5568 cmitchel@cde.ca.gov .