



53rd Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference

2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Congratulations!!! Get ready for the 2017 SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC). You are representing SkillsUSA California Champions at Work for 2017!

We must now work to gather the required National Conference registration data. Chapter Advisors **MUST** complete and submit all required NLSC conference forms to the SkillsUSA California Office by May 12, 2017.

The NLSC begins for the California delegation on Monday June 19th with a **mandatory** 8:00 PM welcome and registration meeting in the Showroom (you will receive your NLSC Registration information at this meeting, too). Contest orientations begin Tuesday (Opening Ceremonies are Tuesday night), with the leadership and some skill contests on Wednesday, all skill events conclude on Thursday with the closing awards ceremony Friday evening.

Conference Location: Kentucky Events Center, Louisville, KY

Conference Dates: June 19- June 23, 2017 (arrive in KY on June 19, 2017, Depart on June 24, 2017)
Leverage (State Officers), Activate (Chapter Leaders) and Engage (Advisors) sessions are held on June 17-19 (arrive in KY on 6/16, *additional \$165* registration fee per person required); June 21 - SkillsUSA Night at Louisville Bats Baseball Game

Conference Registration: **\$240.00** per participant includes: conference registration, Monday night meeting, 5 conference pins, corporate sponsored t-shirt, and the California Champions Celebration following the awards ceremony Friday night.
Checks, Money Orders **ONLY**, made payable to **SkillsUSA California**

Credit Card Conference Registration Payments accepted via PayPal (additional 5% service fee applies) through the SkillsUSA California website www.skillsusaca.org

Deadline - **May 12, 2017**

Conference Registration: Complete on-line at www.skillsusa.org for all contest participants (contestants, observers, parents, delegates, officer candidates)

Completed online conference registration and Room List forms for each person attending must be **received** by 5/12/17:

SkillsUSA California
1809 S Street, Suite 101-274
Sacramento, CA 95811

Conference Registration Payment must be **RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE May 26, 2017** (every competitor must be chaperoned by an advisor. Your returned registration must also include the advisor registration or written notification of another registered advisor who has agreed to chaperone the competitor).

HOTEL INFORMATION

Each chapter/school must complete the National Conference room list form and is responsible for making your **hotel reservations through the California Department of Education (CDE)**. You are required to **pay for your rooms directly** to the hotel. Our assigned hotel for this year is:

Horseshoe Southern Indiana
11999 Casino Center Drive
Elizabeth, IN 47117
(866) 676-7463

Room rates: Single/Double Occupancy - \$143.19/all inclusive
Triple/Quad Occupancy- \$143.19/all inclusive

We have 225 rooms blocked in this hotel! Hotel costs include free daily hot breakfast (6/20 - 6/23 in the Hotel Valet area) and parking. If your school is paying by check, the check **must** be received by the hotel 7 days prior to your arrival date – no exceptions. **All room reservations must be handled through the State Director using the Hotel Reservation form.** You **will not** be able to pay for lodging with a Purchase Order. Make sure that your District makes the check for your lodging out to Horseshoe Southern Indiana.

Note: If our room block is filled, medalists and their advisors will have first priority. If we exceed our room block, parents and other California guests will be housed at other hotels in the surrounding area.

The **minimum hotel reservation** is for a 5-night stay arriving Monday, June 19, 2017 and departing Saturday, June 24, 2017. A **completed** hotel reservation form for your chapter must be emailed cmitchel@cde.ca.gov or faxed (916) 323-2597 to the SkillsUSA California CDE Office **before May 12, 2017**.

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Your chapter is responsible for your own transportation to and from Kentucky Airport. YOU ARE REQUIRED to provide the SkillsUSA California Office with the arrival and departure information for each of your chapter's conference participants **in writing**. The **deadline** for this information is **May 12, 2017**.

DEADLINES

Due to the SkillsUSA California State Office on or before May 12, 2017:

- Conference Registration input into the SkillsUSA Conference Registration system www.skillsusa.org
- Completed Hotel Reservation form including Transportation information emailed to cmitchel@cde.ca.gov

Due to the SkillsUSA California State Office on or before May 28, 2017:

- Conference registration fees of \$240⁰⁰ per person, payable to: **SkillsUSA California**

Due to Lori Parsons, Horseshoe Southern Indiana on or before June 2, 2017:

- Form of payment for NLSC lodging (if paying by school/district check, check must be received by this date) made out to Horseshoe Southern Indiana.

For more information, contact Clay Mitchell at cmitchel@cde.ca.gov .

We cannot extend our conference registration deadline of May 12, 2017 so be sure to have the registration completed and submitted on time.