



# 54<sup>th</sup> Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference

## 2018 NATIONAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

**Congratulations!!!** Get ready for the 2018 SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC). You are representing SkillsUSA California Champions at Work for 2018!

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 14, 2018**.

The NLSC begins for the California delegation on Monday June 24<sup>th</sup> with a **mandatory** 8:00 PM welcome meeting. Check the hotel meeting board for the meeting room assignment. Contest orientations begin Tuesday, with the leadership contests on Wednesday, and skill events on Thursday with the closing awards ceremony Friday evening.

**Conference Location:** Kentucky Events Center, Louisville, KY

**Conference Dates:** June 25- June 29, 2018 (arrive in KY on June 24, 2018, Depart on June 30, 2018) Leverage (State Officers), Activate (Chapter Leaders) and Engage (Advisors) sessions are held on June 23-25 (arrive in KY on 6/22, additional fee per person required)

**Conference Registration:** Fee - **\$260.00** includes: conference registration, Monday night meeting, 5 conference pins, corporate sponsored t-shirt, and the California Champions Celebration following the awards ceremony. Checks, Money Orders **ONLY**, made payable to **SkillsUSA California**

**Credit Card Registration Payments** accepted via PayPal (additional 5% service fee applies) through the SkillsUSA California website [www.skillsusaca.org](http://www.skillsusaca.org)

Deadline - **May 14, 2018**

**Contest Registration:** Complete on-line at [www.skillsusa.org](http://www.skillsusa.org) for all contest participants (contest, observers, parents, delegates, officer candidates)

**Completed conference registration forms and fees** for each person attending must be mailed and received by **5/14/18**:

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

**Payment must be RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE May 14, 2018** (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 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 235 rooms blocked in this hotel! Hotel costs include free daily hot breakfast 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**. You **will not** be able to pay 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 25, 2018 and departing Saturday, June 30, 2018. A **completed** hotel reservation form for your chapter must be emailed [clay.mitchell@skillsusaca.org](mailto:clay.mitchell@skillsusaca.org) or faxed (916) 323-2597 to the SkillsUSA California Office **before May 14, 2018**.

## **TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

**Your chapter is responsible for your own transportation to and from the 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 14, 2018**.

## **DEADLINES**

### **Due to the SkillsUSA California State Office on or before May 14, 2018:**

- Conference registration fees of \$260<sup>00</sup> per person, payable to: **SkillsUSA California**
- Conference Registration input into the SkillsUSA Conference Registration system [www.skillsusa.org](http://www.skillsusa.org)
- Completed Hotel Reservation form including Transportation information emailed to [clay.mitchell@skillsusaca.org](mailto:clay.mitchell@skillsusaca.org)

For more information, contact Clay Mitchell at [clay.mitchell@skillsusaca.org](mailto:clay.mitchell@skillsusaca.org) .

**We cannot extend our conference registration deadline of May 14, 2018 so be sure to have all of the materials and payments submitted on time.**