



State Officer Election Format

Each year, the State Officer Elections take place during the New Jersey SkillsUSA Championships. Prior to the elections, prospective candidates and advisors are invited to attend one of two State Officer Meetings. The candidates have the opportunity to talk with the current State Officers and ask questions. In addition, the candidates take part in a short, informal - interview by the elections committee. Advisors have the chance to speak with current State Officer Advisors to ask any questions.

Candidates seeking office are required to submit a completed *Officer Candidate Intent Form*, and the requirements for becoming a candidate are listed on the form. Advisors of the candidate and their parent/guardian are required to sign off on the form.

Those that meet the requirements then attend the Opening Ceremonies of the New Jersey SkillsUSA Championships, where candidates are given a briefing prior to their speeches. Candidates are then given the chance to campaign, i.e., interact with the delegates and answer any questions they might have. The official voting delegates then listen to all the candidates' campaign speeches. The delegates then vote to elect ten (10) candidates to serve as State Officers. Members of the New Jersey SkillsUSA State Office will tabulate the votes. The newly elected State Officer Team will be announced during the Closing Ceremony of the New Jersey SkillsUSA Championships.