

New Jersey SkillsUSA Friday Flash 10/6/23

Message from the Desk of the State Director

Good morning,

I hope everyone had a GREAT WEEK!

Attention ALL Advisors: Please reach out to your carpentry instructors. We are holding a Carpentry Construction cluster meeting on November 13th for advisors and instructors at the NJPSA FEA Conference Center 12 Centre Drive Monroe Twp NJ 08831. The cluster coordinators will be explaining this year's competitions, and answer any questions that you have. We will have speakers from the Drywall Association to go over a potential new contest. Also, we are hoping to have a representative from NRCA National Roofing Contractors Association to discuss the roofing competitions on the national level which we are potentially adding as a contest for next year. Please encourage construction instructors to attend this meeting.

Membership: Please get your membership completed. We are hoping to exceed last year's total of 7,600 students. I would like to reach 8,300 members this year. I feel with the help from all participating schools New Jersey can reach this goal. After last year and achieving our Standard of Excellence Position I feel there is NO LIMIT to what we can accomplish as a TEAM. Again thanks for all your hard work and your dedication to NJ SkillsUSA. It is because of all of you that we are growing and thriving!

Somerset Patriots Opportunity: I need feedback for April 20th to see how many schools would be interested in doing a Skills Day at Somerset Park after your competitions at Payne Tech in Newark. We would be hosting a barbecue at the ballpark, our State Officers would throw out the first pitch, and then have a party to conclude the competition season. You will be in the area, so I am hoping that many would like to take advantage of this opportunity. Please contact me directly if you are interested. Remember that this is for the kids, and I believe they would enjoy this. It would make the day a little longer, but ultimately very much worthwhile!

Have a great weekend.

Ralph Starace

Troubleshooting With Sheila!

Important Change for Registering Students for the 2024 NJ SkillsUSA Championships

The process for assigning students to state competitions is undergoing a big change. In the past, Advisors have asked for a simple way to link their list of SkillsUSA student members to our

registration system. This year, we plan to upload your national membership list to our registration system in mid-December.

In preparation for this process, if you competed in recent years, all your student accounts appearing on the NJ SkillsUSA registration system website have been removed. ***Please do not add any student names to your pages.*** Prior to opening the site for this year's State Championship registration, your 2024 national membership list will be uploaded to your account. Eligible student members' names will be accessible for you to assign to a contest. Instructions for the new system will be presented at the October 25 Advisor Meeting and made available on our website.

Start your membership drives early so you can complete the membership registration process by December 15. Only students whose names appear on a national SkillsUSA membership roster will appear in your account and thus be eligible to compete in the 2024 NJ SkillsUSA Championships. Need help with your membership? Contact SkillsUSA Customer Care: 844 875-4557 or customercare@skillsusa.org

Questions about the NJ SkillsUSA Championships? Email Sheila: srick@scvts.net