

New Jersey SkillsUSA Friday Flash 11/3/23

Message from the Desk of the State Director

Good Morning!

Here are some important “DEADLINES” that will help you regarding membership and registrations:

State Membership Deadline:	December 15th
Early Contest Registration Discounts Ends:	January 15th
Contest Registration Deadline (Last day to register for contests):	January 30th
Payment Deadline:	March 15th

Please be mindful of these dates. It is very important to ensure that your student will be eligible to compete.

Carpentry: Attention all advisors-please encourage your Carpentry instructors to attend our January 17th Cluster meeting at NJPSA in Monroe Twp. We will be introducing our two new Demo contests for this year’s Roofing and Drywall contests.

State-Only Contest Updates: These will be posted on our website on or around November 20th. We will be discussing changes with our Cluster Coordinators over the next two weeks.

Advisors who attended Fall Leadership: Please have your students take a brief survey to let our State Officers know how they did! Please have your students use the QR Code below:



Thank you, and have a great weekend!

Ralph Starace

News from the National Office (*Check out some of these new and exciting opportunities for your students!*)

Watch the New SKILLS JAM Docuseries, Featuring SkillsUSA Students!

In partnership with SkillsUSA, the Skilled Careers Coalition has just launched SKILLS JAM, an exciting, heart-pounding, show-stopping, skill-dropping docuseries. SKILLS JAM takes viewers on a thrilling journey alongside 14 SkillsUSA members from around the country as they compete in filmmaking, construction and video game development at the National Leadership & Skills Conference in Atlanta. Watch and experience the emotional rollercoaster as these talented students use their skills to chase their dream careers. This is their story ... and our future! View the videos on the [SKILLS JAM YouTube channel](#), and access the [SKILLS JAM Partner Amplification Toolkit](#) to help spread the word about the power of skills and opportunities in skilled trades careers in your own publications or social media! [Visit the SKILLS JAM page](#) on our website for more information. Please visit, like and comment on the SKILLS JAM social media channels to show that we value this content and brighter spotlight on the skilled trades.

Schools are encouraged to host a SKILLS JAM watch party at a chapter meeting, in your classroom or with family and friends and be sure to bring out the popcorn! To celebrate the release of the docuseries, the Skills Jam crew invites you to participate in SKILLS JAM BINGO! To sign up, simply [like this post on the SKILLS JAM Instagram page](#). Two challenges will be released each week. Complete all challenges by **Nov. 27** for a chance to win \$500 and other prizes!

The SkillsUSA Store – Order Your Medallions

The [SkillsUSA Store](#) invites advisors to purchase [Sub-State Medallions](#) at a discounted price. The medallions are \$1 off until **Nov. 30**. Awarding these medallions offers a proud moment for student achievement and recognition as you honor local contestants with gold, silver, bronze or participant medallions on a tri-color ribbon lapel pin or neck ribbon.

Fall SkillsUSA Professional Development Offerings

Take your SkillsUSA knowledge to the next level with SkillsUSA's Fall Professional Development offerings. Sessions include new advisor training, SkillsUSA Framework integration, using the SkillsUSA Advantage report in your presentations, how to run local career competitions and more. Visit our [training website](#) and [use this form to sign up](#) for your selected sessions. These sessions are free and all SkillsUSA professional members are welcome to join us!

Free Resource

We're delighted that your school has started a SkillsUSA chapter! We would like to encourage you to join yourself and 15 students, in one technical program, prior to November 15 to receive a **free** SkillsUSA resource this year!

We are excited to offer the opportunity for you to join us virtually and learn how to register your members this school year. Please use the link below to sign up for a 15-minute training session where we will share the steps to joining your members. If you do not see a time/date that works for you, please contact us at 844-875-4557 customercare@skillsusa.org to set up an individual appointment.

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/34cdb06882b846a3b584a55b9dd72706>