



## Regional 2020-2021 Contest Catalog

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### **FACILITHON (Virtual)**

#### **Contest Description**

**The Facilithon Online** is a new, 3-part SkillsUSA Occupational Demonstration competition to introduce and test students' abilities toward the immense career opportunities in Facility Management (FM), the Liberal Science of Buildings®. It contains a quiz, a role-play and the FM Challenge, an emergency scenario to act on immediately. Students who have participated in The Facilithon in other states have overwhelmingly said that they love it and want to do it again.

Facility Management is an excellent career for those SkillsUSA students who like action and variety in their workday. Beyond construction, facility managers are *in charge* of larger buildings and complexes, working with trades and professionals to manage and maintain them for their best purpose. SkillsUSA students represent an unusually high aptitude for this career. No prior training in Facility Management is required for this competition.

#### **Regional Competition**

##### **Common-Sense Quiz**

The 50-question common-sense multiple-choice quiz has questions like "If all the lights go out in the gymnasium and none of the switches work, where would you look next?" or "If the fire alarm is sounded, where should the occupants go?" This quiz allows SkillsUSA students to recognize that *this is a career they can do* and primes their thinking prior to the next two phases.

##### **Role-Play**

The Role-Play portion allows the student 15 minutes to read a case study about their role as a facility manager, their facility and its needs, often incorporating an opportunity or issue that needs addressing. The student then has 5 minutes to share their ideas with judges and another 5 minutes for judges to ask questions.

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### FM Challenge

The FM Challenge is our students' overwhelming favorite part of the competition, the capstone to the event. Upon completing the role-play, the judges share with the student an emergency to consider. They have 3 minutes to read and digest it and 3 consistent questions:

1. What will you do first?
2. What resources will you use?
3. What would you do in the future to prevent or change its outcome?

The student then has 2 minutes to share their ideas with the judges and another 5 minutes for judges to ask questions.

### Student Materials List

1. Computer with high-speed internet capability and camera to use applications such as Zoom. CHROMEBOOK DOES NOT WORK WITH THIS CONTEST'S APPS. The minimum recommended internet bandwidth speeds for joining Zoom meetings, accessing on-demand curriculum and other online operations is 2.0 Mbps up and down. You can test your current internet speeds by following this link: <https://www.speedtest.net/>. Allow the page to load and click on GO.
2. Resume (SkillsUSA Format)

### Virtual Schedule

Students will compete in this competition in two segments. The Quiz will be taken online during a scheduled time period, using FlexiQuiz. The live portion will occur at individually-scheduled times over the Zoom platform on **February 6, 2021**. Students should be ready to present at their scheduled time. The student's schedule will be emailed to the advisor/contestants by Friday, December 11, 2020. Changes cannot be made to scheduled time slots.

### Clothing Requirements

Official Dress is NOT required for Regionals. Clothing must be unbranded with no words, images, or logos. SkillsUSA or SkillsUSA California attire is recommended. "Business casual" attire, such as would be worn for a job interview, is also acceptable for this competition.

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**Note: Check the Contest Guidelines and/or the updates page on the SkillsUSA website: [www.skillsusa.org/compete/updates.shtml](http://www.skillsusa.org/compete/updates.shtml)**

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