CREED
(Virtual)

Contest Description

This contest follows all State Standards & Guidelines.
Contestants are to recite, from memory, the SkillsUSA Creed and answer questions about the meaning of each of the parts of the Creed. This is a regional and state only contest and does not advance to nationals.

Regional Competition

ONLY middle school and high school freshmen are eligible to compete in this contest.

The total time allowed for questions and answers is two minutes. The contestant will be stopped if the time limit is exceeded.

Students will compete in this competition live over the Zoom platform on January 9, 2021. Students should be ready to present at their scheduled time. The contestant schedule will be emailed to the advisor/contestants by Friday, December 11, 2020. Changes cannot be made to scheduled time slots. Resumes must be submitted to SkillsUSA California by **January 2, 2021** (details to follow).

Contest Guidelines

Recitation

- Contestants should prepare for the SkillsUSA Creed recitation by developing the following competencies:

  1. Demonstrate an effective delivery style
  2. Pronounce words in a clear and understandable manner
  3. Demonstrate good platform deportment and personal confidence
  4. Effectively vary voice in pitch, tone, tempo, and volume

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5. Contestants will answer a follow up question after their presentation

- The topic for the recitation is the official SkillsUSA Creed (Long Version) as published in the most current SkillsUSA Leadership Handbook
- The contestant may not use a manuscript, note cards or any other written materials
- No introductory or concluding remarks to the SkillsUSA Creed will be allowed other than the title and author.
- One judge will serve as a prompter to assist students who falter (10 seconds) during a recitation
- Contestants will not mention their name, school, city or state

Scoring Guidelines

Judging Criteria	Points
Memorization	150
Voice	150
Stage Presence	200
Personal Appearance	200
Power of Expression	200
Response to Questions	100
Penalty: Resume	-50

Materials Supplied by SkillsUSA CA

- Timekeeper
- Time Cards

Student Materials List

- Resume (SkillsUSA format)
- Computer with high-speed internet capability and camera to use applications such as Zoom. 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.

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.

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I believe in the dignity of work

I hold that society has advanced to its present culture through the use of the worker's hands and mind. I will maintain a feeling of humbleness for the knowledge and skills that I receive from professionals, and I will conduct myself with dignity in the work I do.

I believe in the American way of life

I know our culture is the result of freedom of action and opportunities won by the founders of our American republic, and I will uphold their ideals.

I believe in education

I will endeavor to make the best use of knowledge, skills and experience that I will learn in order that I may be a better worker in my chosen occupation and a better citizen in my community. To this end, I will continue my learning now and in the future.

I believe in fair play

I will, through honesty and fair play, respect the rights of others. I will always conduct myself in the manner of the best professionals in my occupation and treat those with whom I work as I would like to be treated.

I believe satisfaction is achieved by good work

I feel that compensation and personal satisfaction received for my work and services will be in proportion to my creative and productive ability.

I believe in high moral and spiritual standards

I will endeavor to conduct myself in such a manner as to set an example for others by living a wholesome life and by fulfilling my responsibilities as a citizen in my community.

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SkillsUSA CREED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

The following questions may be used during the interview with students. One question per judge. Not to exceed 3 minutes for questions and answers. The same question must be asked to all contestants.

1. Describe a time when you were faced with a stressful situation that demonstrated your coping skills.
2. Give a specific example of a time when you used good judgment and logic in solving a problem.
3. Give an example of a time when you set a goal and were able to meet or achieve it.
4. Tell me about a time when you had to go above and beyond the call of duty in order to get a job done.
5. Give an example of how you set goals and achieve them
6. What personal characteristics do you feel are necessary for success?