



Regional 2020-2021 Contest Catalog

PREPARED SPEECH (Virtual)

Contest Description

Contestants will compete as an individual. The contestant will create a speech, within 3-5 minutes in length, using the current SkillsUSA 2020-2021 theme:

“SkillsUSA: Champions At Work, Empowered to Succeed”. Contestants will recite their speech from memory without the use of notecards or visual aids.

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 Team 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).

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.

Materials Supplied by SkillsUSA CA

1. Stopwatch
2. Timecards (Green at 3 minutes, Red at 5 minutes)

Student Materials List

1. PDF of Resume (using the SkillsUSA format)
2. 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

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by following this link: <https://www.speedtest.net/>. Allow the page to load and click on GO.

Judging Criteria:

Appearance/Platform deportment: Speaker is poised and demonstrates good control of movement

Voice: Voice is well modulated and controlled, and carries the rhythm of the speech

Organization: Speech is well organized, and the organization can be easily followed

Mechanics: Proper grammar is used and diction is clear

Closing: Closing provides a clear and solid conclusion and summary of the speech

Effectiveness: Assigned topic is covered, there exists evidence/support, and the purpose of the speech is clear and achieved

Judging Penalties:

1. No Resume: -10 pts
2. Time Penalty: -5 points per 30 seconds under 3 mins. Or 30 seconds over 5 mins.
3. Use of visual aids: - 10 pts

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