

April 4, 2025



### »» Register for Signing Day!

CALLING ALL CHAPTERS! SkillsUSA's National Signing Day is on May 6, (or another day of your chapter's choosing). It is a day when chapters across the nation celebrate our next generation of skilled professionals as they sign letters of intent to pursue career pathways in the skilled trades. Will you add your chapter's voice to thousands of others? [Download our Signing Day toolkit and learn more about SkillsUSA Signing Day.](#) The deadline to register is **April 30**. Help us show the nation the future is in good hands ...

because it's in SKILLED hands! [Watch the Signing Day message from Chelle Travis.](#) Signing Day is sponsored by the Lowe's Foundation, 3M, State Farm and NAPA.



### »» Apply for the 2025 SKILLS JAM Cast

SKILLS JAM! Everyone's favorite entertainment brand focused on skills careers content – made for youth, by youth, is coming back to the National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC) in Atlanta to participate with MORE fun and MORE exciting ways to be a part of the action! SKILLS JAM invites all creators, builders and doers to submit an audition video for a chance to be featured in the 2025 SKILLS JAM cast! (You do not need to attend the NLSC to be selected as a cast member.) [See the SKILLS JAM overview for more information.](#)

### »» SkillsUSA's National Week of Service

Giving back to the community is a huge part of SkillsUSA's [Program of Work](#), which guides chapters in developing an annual calendar of activities and experiences. To complement their service activities throughout the year, all SkillsUSA chapters are invited to plan, promote and conduct a specific service project during the SkillsUSA National Week of Service on May 4-10, 2025. This event helps commemorate the founding of SkillsUSA on May 8, 1965, and this year is our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary

We encourage participants to publicize their projects to the community and your local media. To locate contact information for area newspapers, [use the Advocacy Site](#). On the site, click on "Media," enter your ZIP code, and choose up to six outlets at a time. Then, click on "Send a Message." At "Compose Your Own Message" fill in your contact information and copy and paste your message into the form and click send. To see the full contact information for each outlet, click on the name of the newspaper.

## »» SkillsUSA Scholarships and NLSC Travel Grants

Please encourage your SkillsUSA students to apply and take advantage of our incredible scholarships including travel grants to attend the National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC). Exploring and applying for SkillsUSA scholarships is an easy process. SkillsUSA student members can review eligibility criteria, scholarship amounts and applications on the [scholarships page on the website](#). For questions, contact our [Customer Care Team](#).

### **These scholarships close on April 15:**

- The AHRI Clifford “Ted” Rees Memorial Scholarship
- The Fine Homebuilding #KeepCraftAlive Scholarship
- The Larry Rash Memorial Scholarship
- The Marsha Daves Memorial Scholarship
- The National Technical Honor Society Scholarship
- The SkillsUSA WD-40 Scholarship

### **Scholarship closing on May 2**

- 2025 Robert Flint Student Leadership Development Scholarship for Leverage Conference

### **Scholarship closing on May 30**

- Bob Westphal Memorial Scholarship

### **NEW NLSC travel scholarships close May 26**

- Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Travel Scholarship (applicants can receive up to \$1,500 to attend the 2025 NLSC)
- Hyundai Travel Grant (applicants can receive up to \$1,500 to attend the 2025 NLSC)

### **Scholarship closing on June 30**

- NAPA/SkillsUSA Transportation Repair Pathway Scholarship

## »» Share Your Community Service Stories with SkillsUSA!

The [SkillsUSA Champions digital hub](#) provides new content frequently, from inspiring features to stories about the great work chapters and partners are doing. We know your chapters are doing some amazing community service work this spring and we would love to write about it. To submit a story, send us the details through our [“Submit a Story”](#) link, and we’ll contact you.

## »» NLSC 2025 Courtesy Corps Members

SkillsUSA is recruiting National Courtesy Corps (NCC) members to support the 2025 National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC). This much-appreciated group supports the competition technical committees and the overall conference experience, and it’s a great way for students to network with industry partners and other SkillsUSA students from across the nation. NCC members receive free NLSC registration, housing, local transportation and meals. NCC participants are required to stay at their assigned Georgia Tech campus housing in Atlanta. For a link to the nomination form and eligibility requirements, visit the [National Courtesy Corps web page](#). For questions, contact [Lauri Domer](#). The deadline for nominations is **April 30**.