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What We Do

SkillsUSA New Mexico is dedicated to empowering over 2,000 students at every stage of their educational journey—from middle schools and high schools to colleges, postsecondary institutions, and technical schools. We focus on developing career-ready leaders and skilled professionals who are not only prepared for the workforce but also committed to becoming responsible community members. As part of the national SkillsUSA organization, our mission is to provide students with the tools and experiences they need to succeed in their careers and contribute meaningfully to society. With your support, we continue to create opportunities for growth, skill-building, and leadership for students within career and technical education.



Meet Angel

Angel Joe's path from a small Navajo community to becoming a SkillsUSA competitor is a story of grit, passion, and hope. A culinary student at Navajo Technical University, she credits SkillsUSA for giving her the platform to develop her skills and leadership. "SkillsUSA has been life-changing," Angel shares, "It gave me the courage to push past my limits." Angel's dream is not only to win but to inspire others from her community to pursue their dreams, too. Supporting her mission means investing in a future where talent and perseverance lead to success, no matter the obstacles.





2024-2025 By the Numbers

2,780 total registered members consisting of 56 schools

Fall Leadership Conference total attendance of over 170 participants

State Conference total attendance of over 1,200 participants

1,273 middle school, high school, college, and postsecondary student competitors in 69 different competitions

Student Attendance 44% FEMALE

56% MALE

Over 200 volunteers from business and industry help organize, plan and run all competitions

Over 250 participants serving as advisors, administrators, guests, and VIP

51 schools from New Mexico were represented

STATE LEADERSHIP
& SKILLS CONFERENCE

March 18-21 2026

Meet Juan-Carlos

Juan-Carlos Medina's journey with SkillsUSA New Mexico exemplifies the impact of career and technical education on lifelong success. Starting as a dedicated student at Hobbs High School, he rose to the national stage as a SkillsUSA National Officer, representing his peers and shaping the future of the organization. As an alumnus, Juan-Carlos continued to give back as an advisor, inspiring the next generation of leaders. Today, he serves as the Principal of CTECH in Hobbs, NM—a pivotal role where he leads innovative initiatives in career and technical education. His leadership not only supports SkillsUSA NM but also empowers countless students to excel in their careers and communities. His remarkable journey highlights the transformative power of SkillsUSA and its mission.



Annual Sponsorships

Your support transforms lives. Together, we can empower NM students to discover their potential and build a stronger, skilled workforce. With you by our side, SkillsUSA NM will continue inspiring the next generation to thrive in their careers and communities.



BENEFITS	TECHSPO EXHIBITOR \$600	BRONZE \$1,000	SILVER \$2,500	GOLD \$5,000	VIP \$15,000 (LIMIT 1)
Exhibit Space at SLSC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exclusive Judge Volunteer Opportunity at SLSC		✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognition at SLSC Award Ceremony		✓	✓	✓	✓
Company Logo Feature on Official Website		✓	✓	✓	✓
Year-Round Logo on All Event Materials			✓	✓	✓
Social Media Recognition			✓	✓	✓
Logo Featured on SLSC T-Shirt			✓	✓	✓
Monthly E-Newsletter Recognition				✓	✓
Targeted Logo Signage at SLSC Competitions				✓	✓
Opportunity to Provide Branded Items for Event Attendees				✓	✓
Premium Brand Visibility Across All Event Materials					✓
Logo Placement On Tables for FLC & SLSC					✓
Exclusive Speaking Opportunity During SLSC Award Ceremony					✓

TECHSPO Exhibitor

An exhilarating two-day trade show at the State Leadership & Skills Conference (SLSC), where innovation meets opportunity. With over 1,200 of New Mexico's top career and technical education students and educators in attendance, this is your chance to showcase your brand and connect with the future of the workforce. If you're looking to elevate your visibility and make a lasting impact, TECHSPO is the place to be!

State Leadership & Skills Conference (SLSC)

Our premier annual event, the SkillsUSA New Mexico State Leadership and Skills Conference brings together over 1,200 career and technical education students across New Mexico to compete in hands-on skills competitions, demonstrate leadership, and celebrate their achievements. Top performers earn the opportunity to represent New Mexico at the national level. This high-impact event showcases student talent and fosters workforce readiness in fields ranging from welding to healthcare to digital media, and everything in between.

Fall Leadership Conference (FLC)

The Fall Leadership Conference kicks off the school year with a dynamic training event focused on personal growth, leadership development, team building, and community service. Over 200 student members and advisors gather to be empowered with the skills and inspiration needed to lead successful chapters and thrive in SkillsUSA's framework of personal, workplace, and technical skills grounded in academics.

Competition Career Clusters



Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources

Career Pathways



Education & Training

Action Skills
Early Childhood Education



Health Science

Basic Healthcare Skills
Career Pathways
First Aid - CPR
Medical Math
Medical Terminology
Nurse Assisting



Law, Public Safety, & Corrections

Crime Scene Investigation
Criminal Justice
Fire Fighting



Architecture & Construction

Architectural Drafting
Cabinetmaking
Carpentry
Electrical Construction
Wiring
HVACR
Plumbing
Sheet Metal
TeamWorks



Hospitality & Tourism

Baking & Pastry Arts
Culinary Arts
Restaurant Service



Manufacturing

Mechatronics
Welding
Welding Fabrication
Welding Sculpture



Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics

Automotive Service Technology
Aviation Maintenance
Technology
Collision Repair Technology
Diesel Equipment Technology



Arts, AV Technology, & Communications

3D Animation &
Visualization
Career Pathways
Chapter Display
Digital Cinema
Production
Photography
Pin Design
Video News Production
TV Production



Business Management & Administration

Career Pathways
Chapter Business Procedure
Employment Application
Process
Entrepreneurship
Job Interview
Prepared Speech



Information Technology

Commercial sUAS Drone
Computer Programming
Cyber Security
IT Services
Interactive Application &
Video Game Development
Internetworking
Technical Computer
Applications



Human Services

American Spirit

Career Pathways

Community Service

Customer Service

Marketing, Sales & Service

Advertising Design
Extemporaneous
Speaking
Promotional Bulletin
Board



STEM

Career Pathways
Related Technical Math
Robotics - Urban Search
and Rescue
Technical Drafting

