

## State Leadership & Skills Conference 2024

## **Competition Tests – IMPORTANT**

We have a high number of competitors this year, eclipsing previous years, creating new and exciting opportunities while also creating new logistical tasks for our state. We continue, just as every year, to try and move our conference and association in a direction that will provide the best experience and fair atmosphere for our students.

Further discussions have occurred between the conference planning team, board members, national staff, and the convention center. Due to the very high number of competitors, concerns have risen regarding the bandwidth required to ensure testing occurs without major issues. It has been determined, that in the interest of fairness, all testing will revert to that which we did last year. Meaning, all competitors needing to take a test(s), will do so during the testing window of March 15-25, 2024 (prior to the conference). The school for that competitor will provide the proctor. While this proctor should not be the teacher of the student, if completed in large groups, it is understandable that schools may have to overlap with proctors a bit.

We apologize greatly for any inconvenience this poses. We ask that you continue to show those Adaptability and Flexibility skills that are used so often from the SkillsUSA Framework.

All testing instructions with usernames and passwords will be sent to ALL advisors from the school to ensure that everyone can get tested appropriately. Once that has been sent, any issues that arise when taking the test should be addressed to Customer Care at customercare@skillsusa.org.

PLEASE READ THE NEXT PAGE PERTAINING TO SPECIFIC COMPETITIONS THAT MAY BE DIFFERENT THAN THIS MEMO SUGGESTS.



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The following competition must take their online test prior to their competition date on March 23, 2024.

• Baking & Pastry Arts

The following competitions will still take their test on-site due to the difference in logistical abilities.

- Welding
- Welding Fabrication

The following competitions will take the PD Test during the testing window, as previously announced, and will take the written (hard copy) test onsite. In the case that a competition test shows in the online testing, that is for practice.

- Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair (MLR)
- Automotive Service Technology
- Commercial sUAS Drone
- Graphic Imaging Sublimation (no tests count towards scoring)
- Marine Service Technology
- Medical Math
- Medical Terminology
- Power Equipment Technology
- Related Technical Math
- Screen Printing Technology (no tests count towards scoring)