

## Introduction

Thank you for your dedication to ensuring student growth and achievement through the management of this SkillsUSA state competition event. The SkillsUSA state director and the national SkillsUSA organization appreciate your commitment to preparing America's future workforce. The purpose of this document is to equip you with the necessary competition specifications that will allow you to host a successful state competition.

## Competition Technical Standards

The state director will provide the state technical committee with a copy of the current SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards. The Technical Standards are the official competition guide/rules for the national SkillsUSA Championships. SkillsUSA Championships clothing requirements included in the technical standards have been established for the National Leadership and Skills Conference.

## Disclaimer

***The state project information is confidential. To ensure fairness and integrity in all competitive events, please do not share this packet with teachers or students.*** The following suggested SkillsUSA State Skill Performance Project is intended as a supplement to the guidance found in the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards. While most state competitive events are modeled after the national Technical Standards, rules for state events may vary from the national guidelines based on the time and/or equipment available at the state level. It is crucial that all student competitors understand any state specific requirements which should be communicated as state competition updates.

## State Competition Update - Optional

Definition: A competition update is anything that is not already listed in the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards that a competitor and/or advisor need to be aware of and/or bring for the upcoming state competition.

State specific competition updates may include a list of materials the competitor must bring, state specific scorecard, and/or clothing allowances. Please be sure to check the “Supplied by the Technical Committee and Competitor(s)” section in the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards and adjust these requirements as necessary. The state technical committee, working with the state director, should establish any additional requirements needed to successfully complete the state-level competition.

### **DRAFT: State Specific Competition Update**

1. Supplied by the State Technical Committee:
2. Supplied by the Competitors:
  - a. Disinfectant jar (for implements with disinfection solution)

### **Competition Site Logistics**

#### **Supplied by the State:**

- Timer/Clock
- Blood Spill Kit (Basic First Aid Kit)

#### **Electrical needs (voltage & amperage):**

- A single 120 volt (20 amp) facility source outlet can be used along with UL listed multi-outlet power strips to string power to approximately 10 manicure table lamps and UV/LED lights without tripping breakers. Adjust the power requirements based on the specific equipment and facility utilities/rules.

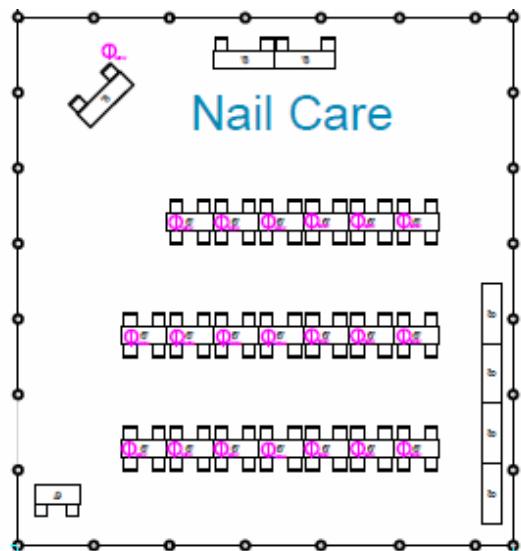
### **Sample State Competition Schedule**

Time	Item	Item Description
8:00 a.m. - 8:05 a.m.	Welcome/Orientation	Welcome competitors to the competition and go through a brief review of the competition. <a href="#">Sample script in SLSC Competition Planning Guides folder.</a>
8:05 a.m. - 8:20 a.m.	Competitor Station Set-up (15 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitors must turn in a written description of the nail art theme they intend to create.</li> <li>• Check clothing and collect resumes and nail art themes.</li> </ul>
8:20 a.m. - 9:20 a.m.	Sculptured acrylic nail application (One Hour)	Complete five (5) sculptured acrylic nails.

9:20 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Judging	Competitor and model restroom break.
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Nail Tip and Light-Cured Enhancement Overlay Application (One Hour)	Complete five (5) nails with a tip and light-cured enhancement overlay.
10:30 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.	Judging	Competitor and model restroom break.
10:40 a.m. - 11:25 a.m.	Lunch and Restroom Breaks (25 minutes)	
11:25 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.	Mock Nail Care Consultation (3 minutes - 5 minutes)	Mock nail care consultation on the benefits of natural nail care.
12:20 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.	2 Coats of Red Nail Lacquer and Flat Nail Art Application (1.5 Hours)	Red Nail Lacquer on the right hand. Complete nail art on the left hand.
1:50 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Judging	Props will not be used during judging.
2:00 p.m.	Parade Finale Debrief	Once all judging is complete, props may be used to enhance art during the parade of models. <a href="#">Sample script in SLSC Competition Planning Guides folder.</a>
TBD	Competition-Specific Knowledge Test	State will determine when the test will be given pre-conference or onsite.

## Competition Layout

One table per two competitors with approximately 3' x 2' workspace each.



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Review the national technical standards for full competition guidelines. Pedicure skill performance was removed starting in 2025 for more information visit: <https://www.skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/competition-updates/>

### **Oral Professional Assessment**

Competitors will have 3-5 minutes to complete a mock consultation on the benefits of natural nail care. Presentations are directed at the judges as if they were a new client.

### **Acrylic Nail**

All five fingers of the model's right hand are to be sculpted with forms with no tips, using the two-tone/French-manicure technique.

### **Nail Tip & Light-cured Enhancement Application**

All five fingers of the model's left hand are to have nail tips applied and overlaid with a light-cured enhancement system.

### **Nail Art & Polish Application**

Two coats of Dark Red Creme Lacquer/Polish are to be applied to the model's right hand.

### **Competition Modification Suggestion**

**Modification:** Shorten the number of nails with artwork so that it requires less time to complete. For example, three fingers (pinky, ring, and middle) 40 minutes or two fingers (thumb and index) 25 minutes.