



### »» Register Now for ELEVATE!

The SkillsUSA Elevate Chapter Officer Development Conference is **Wednesday, Oct. 9** from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET. This virtual interactive experience for local chapter officer teams focuses on building successful chapters by equipping officers with the skills to lead and serve their local members. Elevate is open to all SkillsUSA local chapter officers and an advisor must participate with each registered team. Participate right in your classroom, and the cost is only \$10 per participant. [Download the Elevate flyer](#) to share with your chapter officers. Register no later than **Oct. 1** by visiting [skillsusa.register.org](https://skillsusa.register.org).



### »» Aerotek “Make Your Mark” Scholarship Applications Open Sept. 16

SkillsUSA members nationwide in select trade areas are encouraged to apply for the SkillsUSA-Aerotek “Make Your Mark” scholarship. The scholarship is for SkillsUSA members who expect direct educational costs for the Spring 2025 term at a community college, technical college, certificate program or apprenticeship program. Applications will open on **Sept. 16** and will close on **Nov. 4**. Selected applicants will receive up to \$5,000 toward tuition, books, tools, on-campus housing and other approved direct educational expenses.



Applicants must be engaged in continuing education/career training in one of following pathways: Construction; Manufacturing; Transportation, Distribution & Logistics; Telecommunications Cabling Training; and Electronics Technology or Industrial Engineering Technology. For more information, [review all eligibility criteria and the flyer](#). For more information, contact scholarship manager [Hannah Scheffer](#).

## »» CHARGE: A SkillsUSA Chapter Officer Video Series

Advisors work hard to teach their chapter officer teams how to be successful leaders. SkillsUSA recognizes the challenge and has developed a program that makes it easier to create a strong chapter officer team.

[CHARGE](#) is a weekly video series that covers topics that chapter officers will find useful in the day-to-day management of their local SkillsUSA chapters. Each CHARGE video features an activity guide to support chapter officer growth and development. There are 12 three-minute episodes in the series.

## »» Local Chapter Resources

Did you know that resources have been created and updated for you to utilize in your SkillsUSA chapter? Check out the following resources on the [Resources](#) webpage:

- Sample Meeting Agenda
- SkillsUSA Website Scavenger Hunt
- Social Media Guide
- Chapter Website Template
- Establishing a Business & Industry Advisory Committee

Are you enjoying these resources and want to see more created? Is there a particular resource that would be beneficial for your SkillsUSA chapter? Let us know through the [SkillsUSA Local Chapter Resources form](#).

## »» Share Your Champions

The [SkillsUSA Champions](#) magazine staff is always looking for potential feature stories to share with SkillsUSA Nation. If you know of a SkillsUSA student, advisor, industry partner or graduate whose story would be motivating and inspirational, please submit the information [through our online form](#).

## »» SkillsUSA Technical Thursdays in September

Join us for Technical Thursdays, SkillsUSA workshops led by industry experts helping teachers develop specific technical skills relevant to their career fields of interest. Leave these free virtual sessions with new skills to implement in your classroom. On **Sept. 26**, from 4-5 p.m. ET, Jeff Powalisz from Heidelberg North America will give a brief history of printing, show offset printing samples, and show how ink and water work together on a lithographic plate to create an image that can be transferred to a sheet of paper. Participants will earn a Professional Development (PD) certificate upon completion. [Learn more and register for the workshops here](#) (space is limited). For questions, contact [Karolina Belen](#).



## »» Plan Now for Manufacturing Day

SkillsUSA chapters are invited to participate in Manufacturing Day, a celebration of modern manufacturing meant to inspire the next generation. While [Manufacturing Day](#) is celebrated on **Oct. 4**, you can hold events on any date in October. Activities for students may include a plant tour, a virtual industry tour or an event on campus that highlights manufacturing careers. SkillsUSA chapters can share their Manufacturing Day photos and stories with [Brooke Gatchell](#), SkillsUSA's social media specialist.



## »» Fall Professional Development Offerings

SkillsUSA has a series of new virtual [Professional Development Training Sessions](#) for September, October and November. Offerings include new advisor training, SkillsUSA Framework integration, member recruitment resources and Chapter Excellence Program training. Don't miss this convenient and free opportunity to enhance your skills and gain SkillsUSA knowledge that will support your chapter's success! Class space is limited, so be sure to secure your place early. Participants will earn a Professional Development (PD) certificate upon completion. For questions, contact [Karolina Belen](#).