

Arkansas SkillsUSA

2024 SLC Checklist / Calendar

Dates highlighted are fixed deadlines all others are approximate:

✓ September

- September 1st State and National Membership Opens
- Update your district contact information in the SkillsUSA Registry
- <https://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx>
- Elect chapter officers
- Download the Chapter of Excellence packet from the registry site.

✓ October

- Register for the Fall Leadership event (Dates are not set at this time)
- Start working on your Chapter of Excellence documents and supporting information.
- Check the SkillsUSA Arkansas Website often <https://www.arskillsusa.org/>
- Attend the Fall Leadership event with your students and make sure to sign up of the advisor sessions that will be held there.

✓ November

- Continue to update Chapter of Excellence documents.
- Start thinking about what contests you want to compete in and working with your students on
- Build your local community involvement with a community service project.

✓ December [Video: Professional Benefits/Technical Standards 2024](#) [Absorb Website 2024](#)

- Check the Arkansas SkillsUSA website for approximate contest lists and limits. Use this link for Professionals Benefits and Technical Standards 2024
- Use those limits to start building your contest and contestant roster.
- Access the SkillsUSA Absorb system and start downloading 2023 Technical Standards for any contest you are thinking about entering students in.

- You must be a professional member whose membership has been submitted and paid to access the technical standards.
- Reminder that students can only be entered in 1 contest.

✓ January

- Host a local contest if needed to narrow down contestants (skill contests)
- Start working on leadership contest projects. (State Pin Design, Promotional Bulletin Board, Community Service Portfolio, National Pin Design, etc.)
- Start Working on State Officer Candidate Packets if you wish to run a student for state office.
- Submit Membership for any new or additional students you wish to take to conference.
 - Only students whose membership has been submitted will be eligible for state/national conference.
- **January 29th Conference Registration opens.**

✓ February

- Start preparing students for knowledge tests associated with skill contest
- **February 15th State Membership Deadline**
 - **Last day to submit student membership to be eligible for state contest**
- **February 23th Conference Registration closes**

✓ March

- **March 1st National Membership Deadline**
- Build rooming lists and start making hotel reservations.
- Make sure to collect resumes from all students.
- Complete all local paperwork needed for travel.
- **March 22nd Last day for substitutions**
- **March 25th Online Testing begins.**
 - Knowledge tests for Skill Contests will be completed during online testing window.
- **March 29th Last day for Online Testing**

- 3 test only contests below will be held at conference.
 - Medical Math
 - Medical Term
 - Related Technical Math

✓ April

- Complete local pack out and load out list
- Ensure all projects are completed to the levels outlined in technical standards.
- **April 15-16-17 Arkansas SkillsUSA State Skill and Leadership Conference**
- **April 18th Start Working on National SLSC Registration (if eligible)**