

Top Tips for State Conference Success!

- ✓ Download a copy of the State Leadership and Skills Conference Registration Packet from the website – www.skillsusageorgia.org for forms and information.
- ✓ Use the current 2010 Technical Standards for all of your national contest guidelines and information.
- ✓ Ensure that every student has a copy of their resume to submit for each contest that they have entered.
- ✓ Make sure that your contestants have the appropriate clothing for their contest and Opening/Awards Sessions. Read the Dress Code to your students and ensure that everyone understands the expectations for dress.
- ✓ Ensure that your contests meet all safety standards for their contest area – see specifics in the Technical Standards.
- ✓ Bring all of the tools that will be needed for the contests that are entered. See the Technical Standards and watch for updates on the SkillsUSA Georgia website.
- ✓ Have your students study the PDP Test that is online at www.skillsusageorgia.org – it is used as a tie breaker!
- ✓ Prepare for the competition – students should be well aware of and trained on all aspects of their competition. Practice and prepare to succeed!
- ✓ Check the homepage of our website for additional conference information – www.skillsusageorgia.org
- ✓ Check the homepage of our website frequently for Contest Updates – www.skillsusageorgia.org
- ✓ Enter your students in straight to State Competitions online, even if you missed marking a contest on your State Conference Intent Form that you turned in at Region Championships – that is okay, just enter the student's name and contest online.
- ✓ Ensure that every student has turned in to you their Code of Behavior and the Personal Liability/Medial and Photography Release Form. Make a copy of these forms to turn in at the Registration desk when you pick up your conference materials. Also, bring your Eligibility Verification Form to turn in at the Registration desk.
- ✓ Make sure that you and your students attend the Opening General Session on Thursday evening of the conference as contest information and orientation is given during the session.
- ✓ Register for the State Leadership and Skills Conference by the deadline – February 26, 2010.
- ✓ Make hotel reservations for your chapter.
- ✓ Make sure to submit your membership by the deadline, March 8, 2010.

- ✓ Make plans to attend the Career Expo at the Georgia International Convention Center – the biggest Career Expo in SkillsUSA Georgia history – make sure you are part of it!
- ✓ Take the Challenge! Share Rickey’s Challenge with your chapter and gear them up for success and recognition at the State Leadership and Skills Conference!
- ✓ Call me, text me, email me with your questions! I am here to help! Gayle Silvey office 770-914-6288 ~ cell 404-216-6040 ~ gsilvey@skillsusageorgia.org