



## SkillsUSA Texas Newsletter June 2023



### Greetings to SkillsUSA Texas,

We just completed our Summer Leadership Conference at Mo Ranch, full of outstanding students, advisors, and leadership. I want to thank the alumni trainers and advisors who stepped up and helped make the event successful.

It is an excellent lead into the National Leadership and Skills Conference, and I wish everyone good luck and safe travels. We are proud of all your hard work this year, and let's finish strong!

SkillsUSA Texas Strong!  
Crystal Latham-Alford, Executive Director



### Got Story-Worthy Champions?

At the national conference, the staff of SkillsUSA Champions digital magazine will be on the lookout for interview subjects. If you know of a SkillsUSA student, advisor, industry representative or alumnus who will be at national conference and whose story is motivating and inspirational, please email SkillsUSA's director of communications [Tom Kercheval](mailto:Tom.Kercheval@skillsusausa.org). A member of the communications team will reach out to set up a specific time during conference week to meet these individuals. You are also invited to stop by the Media Room in GWCC B-204 anytime on Monday, June 19, through Thursday, June 22, to share story ideas and contacts. We look forward to meeting your champions!

### NLSC Updates

A recording of the June townhall is posted on our website as well as a PDF of the powerpoint. <https://skillsusatx.org/news/> Please take a look.

Online version of the NLSC full schedule found here:  
<https://s36.a2zinc.net/clients/skillsusa/nlsc2023/Public/Sessions.aspx?ID=111&sortMenu=106002>

The National office has created a webpage to help with NLSC information (technical standards, contest updates, resume upload process, online testing):

<https://www.nlsc.skillsusa.org/championships>

If you need to know just contest updates check [here](#)

Don't forget Wednesday night you are on your own. There are discounts for SkillsUSA at the places like: the Aquarium, National Center for Human and Civil Rights, the Football Hall of Fame, World of Coca Cola and AmericasMart



## NLSC APP

Download the App:

- Personalized Schedule
- Venue Maps
- Transportation Information
- Finalist Announcements
- Live Updates
- Conference Resources

### Summer Leadership

District officers and our new State Officer team are in place and ready to serve!

Congratulations to our student leaders and we hope you enjoyed your time at Mo Ranch. Officers will be posted on our website!



Thank you to our trainers

that made the week at the ranch an amazing experience.

### Free Coolant, Shipping and Maintenance Workshops Available

Monroe Fluid Technology, an ISO 9001 certified manufacturing facility, is offering free coolant, free shipping and free coolant maintenance workshops to metalworking classrooms in accredited state, community and county colleges.

This program allows manufacturing programs to eliminate the costs of metalworking coolants. [Check out the program details.](#) For questions, email Monroe Fluid Technology's director of E-Commerce [Fred Kane](#).

### SkillsUSA Texas Employees

Final rounds of interviews are happening now to fill the open positions for the state office. Look for the official announcements in next

### Past Due Invoices

After July 1, 2023 any invoices that are past due will incur past due fees on a monthly basis until payment is received. Invoice reminders are sent to the email of person that created the invoice in registration.

month's newsletter.

## District Coordinators

The Thirteen District's will have their 2023-2024 coordinators announced soon! Interviews are happening now.

The email address will remain the same. The current coordinators will finish their term at the end of June

If your records indicate an invoice has been paid, please verify if the check has been cashed. If you do not show the check was cashed, we ask that you verify the payment address and resubmit. If payment was sent to any Mabank, TX or Leesburg, VA address we have not received the payment.

Invoices starting with "S" are due to:  
SkillsUSA Texas  
P O Box 173847  
Arlington, TX 76003

## Elevating the Skilled Trades: Mason on a Mission

Check out our latest article on the SkillsUSA Champions digital hub, [featuring Matt DiBara](#), a Masonry silver medalist at the 2010 SkillsUSA Championships.

The story centers around DiBara's success as a young mason, business owner and entrepreneur. At only 30, he's achieved levels of success most would deem remarkable at retirement age. DiBara credits SkillsUSA with sparking that success and talks about how he followed his passion to study the skill he loved.

## TOOLKIT Online Training

**Exciting training opportunities designed to enhance your skill set and provide you with valuable professional development hours this summer.**

They are offering free training sessions in a variety of cutting-edge areas, on your schedule. Whether you are interested in robotics, PLCs, electrical systems, DLP 3D printing techniques, Industry 4.0, or even automotive technologies, they have something tailored to suit your specific interests and are willing to customize a training specifically for you this summer. Reach out them: [amy@toolkittech.com](mailto:amy@toolkittech.com)

## Texas Regulations

The latest version for 2022-2023 is posted on our [website](#). Please read it carefully and discard any previous versions. Check for updates regularly.

### Absorb

Any paid professional member has access to the National standards through this site. Call Customer care if you need help: 844-875-4557

## Next Townhall Meeting

**Friday, Sept 7, 2023,  
at 5:30 PM Central**

We are taking a summer break and look forward to connecting with you in September!

[Click here](#) to register in advance for this Zoom meeting. Recordings of these meetings will be posted on our website.

## TIVA

2023 Summer Conference  
Registration is open now!

SkillsUSA Texas will have their board meeting, staff training and district coordinator meetings during this week. We are also offering classes for making SkillsUSA a part of your classroom during the conference We hope to see you!  
<https://www.acteonline.org/tiva/conference/>

Omni Fort Worth July 16-21, 2023





Plans are starting to develop so keep checking back! Washington DC trip and Texas Tours - mark your calendars and start planning now.

<https://skillsusatx.org/events/washington-leadership-training-institute/>

Sept. 23-27, 2023

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### SkillsUSA Texas Board of Directors

Please mark your calendars; the next board meeting will be on **July 15, 2023**. The meeting will be held at the *Omni Fort Worth, 1300 Houston Street*. It will begin at 8:30 am. Your Texas Board of Directors Chair is **Victor Ramirez**. Please reach out to him. He would love to hear from our membership!

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