

# SKILLSUSA PENNSYLVANIA

## CODE OF CONDUCT

•No intoxicants of any nature will be permitted in the possession of anyone attending the conference.

•This is a smoke free conference. Smoking is not allowed at any time. This includes E-cigarettes, vaping, etc. This includes chewing tobacco.

•Drugs in any form, except prescribed medication, shall be prohibited.

·All students are to occupy the rooms which have been assigned to them.

•Mixed company in students' rooms, without exception, is not permissible unless the advisor or a state staff or Board Member is present to assure proper conduct.

•All students are to remain on the conference premises unless accompanied by chapter advisor or parent/legal guardian or for competition reasons.

•A retiring hour of 11:15 PM will be observed and enforced. Unnecessary noises at any hour should be avoided in respect to other guests.

•Every member will be expected to attend all conference or workshop sessions and activities unless otherwise assigned.

·All students shall respect the authority of the advisors and keep them informed of their whereabouts.

•All conference participants are encouraged to demonstrate sportsmanship and respect the opinions of others at all meetings.

•Name Tags shall be worn at all times at chest height, not at your waist. Liability forms and Crisis Response Cards should be folded and placed in the plastic badge holder behind the name tag.

•All information used by officer candidates must be removed following the elections. Nothing may be taped to any wall or door in the hotel.

•The SkillsUSA policy of Student Conduct will be applied to all SkillsUSA functions, as well as preand post-conference activities. •Any violation of the Code of Conduct must be reported to the Executive Director and/or the SkillsUSA Pennsylvania Board of Directors for disciplinary action.

### CLOTHING

Official SkillsUSA/Business Attire or Competition Clothing is required for all functions, except meals as listed below:

Official SkillsUSA Legacy red blazer or official SkillsUSA red jacket

• Button-up, collared, white dress shirt (accompanied by a plain, solid black tie or SkillsUSA black tie), white shirt (collarless or small-collared) or white turtleneck, with any collar not to extend into the lapel area of the blazer, sweater, windbreaker, or jacket

- Black dress slacks or black dress skirt (knee-length at minimum)
- Black closed-toe dress shoes

Note: The official SkillsUSA windbreaker, sweater, and black Carhartt jacket are no longer available for purchase in the SkillsUSA Store. However, these clothing items are grandfathered in as previous official SkillsUSA clothing and can be worn in SkillsUSA competitions as directed in this document.

Note: Wearing socks or hose is no longer required. If worn, socks must be black dress socks, and hose must be either black or skin-tone and seamless/nonpattern.

Note: Official SkillsUSA jackets are not to be worn as casual wear over nonofficial clothing. This includes the official jackets, windbreaker, sweater, and black Carhartt jacket. Refrain from rolling the sleeves inside out on the Legacy jacket.

Casual Attire may be worn in the evenings and/or during free time: Polo shirts / Khaki pants / School appropriate jeans, no holes or rips / Shorts of appropriate length / T-shirts but cannot depict vulgar or inappropriate images or words. SkillsUSA and school logo shirts are always a great choice to represent our organization. Sneakers, work, or dress boots are acceptable, but no flip flops. Shoes must be worn at all times.

Unacceptable Casual Attire: Any view of your midriff or revealing shirts are unacceptable. No ripped shirts, yoga pants, leggings, or spandex pants. No bathing suit without a cover-up (males must also wear a shirt when they are not in the designated swimming area). No non-respectable T-shirts. NO pajamas beyond your designated hall.

Hats: No hats should be worn while wearing SkillsUSA attire, including outdoors, or during meal functions.

**Meal Functions:** 

Wednesday Dinner - Official SkillsUSA/Business Attire or Competition Clothing

Thursday Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner - Casual attire (No shorts, pajamas, or flip flops during meals)

Friday Breakfast – Official SkillsUSA/Business Attire or Competition Clothing

If you fail to abide by these guidelines, you will not be permitted to participate in the activities or meals until clothing is changed to meet guidelines.

# VIOLATION

Violation of conduct shall be subject to immediate action by the SkillsUSA Pennsylvania Board of Directors. Such action may include sending individuals home immediately. When this occurs, those involved will be disqualified from competitive awards.

## **ADVISOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

•This is a smoke free conference. Smoking is not allowed at any time. This includes vaping and chewing tobacco.

•The advisors are responsible for the proper conduct of all students from their school during the conference or workshop.

•A cooperative spirit is expected of each advisor in helping with the Courtesy Patrol.

•Advisors conduct should be exemplary at conferences, thus setting a good example for the students.

•Mixed company in students' rooms, without exception, is not permissible unless the advisor and/or a state staff or Board Member is present to insure proper conduct.

•The advisor's availability in the conference facility is imperative so that students can reach the advisor in the event of an accident, illness or for other reasons.

•Good sportsmanship is essential, and therefore, assistance must be given to instill an understanding that there is more to life than just winning.

•Review the total conference program with students emphasizing the importance of appearance, attitude, promptness, and courtesy.

•Conduct of advisors at all conferences shall adhere to the code established for student conduct and dress.

•Be sure you and your students are properly registered and understand the rate being charged. Changing rooms after registering is prohibited.

•Bring the signed parental permission forms to the conference and keep them in your possession at all times.

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