




SkillsUSA® Contest Scope

Contest:	Action Skills (IEP)
Contest Chair: Email:	Christa Nicholas cnicholas@rmctc.org
Contest Location: 	Reading Muhlenberg CTC 2615 Warren Rd. Reading, PA 19604 Phone: 610-921-7300
Purpose:	To evaluate each contestant's preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in their respective CTE area.
Clothing:	Contest appropriate clothing. Students will not be penalized for clothing unless it is a safety violation.

EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS:

Provided by the Host School:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Timekeeper - A performance space of 8'x12' that contains tables and at least one duplex (two plug-ins) 110-volt (15amp) electrical outlet.
Provided by the Contestant:	- All material and equipment needed for the demonstration.

SCOPE OF CONTEST:

Competitors will be required to test their skills in the following areas:	<p>An actual technical skill must be performed as opposed to an illustrated talk.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notecards and other reference materials are not permitted. - Any skill may be demonstrated, provided it is a skill related to the occupational program of the contestant. - The demonstration shall be at least five minutes in length but shall not exceed seven minutes. <p>Penalty: Five points will be deducted for each 30 seconds or fraction thereof under five minutes or for each 30 seconds or fraction thereof over seven minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Time limit: Time will be started when the demonstration begins. The timekeeper will signal the speaker at five minutes, six minutes, and six minutes 30 seconds. - Contestants will be allowed three minutes to set up the demonstration and three minutes to clear the demonstration room: Penalty: Five points will be deducted for each 30 seconds or fraction thereof over the three-minute allowance. - A performance space of 8'x12' will be provided that contains
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	<p>a table and at least one duplex (two plug-ins) 110-volt (15 amp) electrical outlet.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any visual or auditory aids (signs, charts, transparencies, slides, diagrams, tapes, CDs) are to be prepared by contestants. Professionally prepared visual and audio materials may not be used. No open flames, no combustible or hazardous chemical compounds, no fluids containing pathogens or toxic chemicals, and no pressurized containers will be allowed. - The contestant will not mention their name, school, city, or state. - The demonstration is an individual performance; however, assistants may be used to set up and dismantle the demonstration. Models or assistants may be used in the demonstration but will not say or do anything that assists the demonstration other than serve as a model as needed for facial, clothing design demonstration, etc. - Basic safety practices related to the skill performed must be followed. Safety violations will be subject to penalties of one to 10 points. Judges may interrupt the demonstration for serious violations.
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

<p>Anything else competitors may need to know:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Students will not be permitted to use the Internet or printed materials for reference.</u> <p><i>A letter from the appropriate school official on school letterhead stating that the contestant is classified under the provision of Public Law 105 - 17, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 1997, is required for participation. State associations that have restrictions on the release of this information may submit a letter on school letterhead for eligibility, which simply states: "I certify that (student name) meets the eligibility requirements for the SkillsUSA Championships Action Skills contest. Signed, (school official)." The eligibility letter is to be presented to the contest chair at the contestant orientation meeting.</i></p>
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