




SkillsUSA® Contest Scope

Contest:	Dental Assisting
Contest Chair: Email:	Jacklyn Rusnock jrusnock@rmctc.org
Contest Location: 	Reading Muhlenberg CTC 2615 Warren Rd. Reading, PA 19604 Phone: 610-921-7300
Purpose:	To evaluate each contestant's ability to perform multiple skills of a professional dental assistant.
Clothing:	<p>Contest appropriate clothing and dress.</p> <p>Contestants are required to wear medical scrubs that are clean and pressed.</p> <p>Appropriate footwear is required. (sneakers/tennis shoes, cros with no holes, or uniform shoes)</p> <p>Limited makeup and no body scents, such as perfume or body spray, are to be worn.</p> <p>No jewelry is to be worn. This includes rings, facial piercings, oral piercings, watches, bracelets, or necklaces.</p> <p>Nails must be short, clean, neat, and free from polish/gel. No acrylic nails are to be worn.</p> <p>Hair must be tied up or back and away from the face.</p> <p>Facial hair must be well groomed.</p> <p>*Point deductions will be taken for inappropriate clothing/dress.</p>

EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS:

Provided by the Host School:	All supplies specific to each skill except those listed below.
Provided by the Contestant:	Safety goggles or face shield. Clinical mask

SCOPE OF CONTEST:

<p>Competitors will be required to test their skills by completing five (5) skills which are chosen from the following list:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Film mounting2. Instrument identification3. Assembling film holding devices4. Maintaining the evacuating systems5. Operating the autoclave6. Taking and pouring alginate impressions7. Handwashing8. Donning and doffing PPE9. Disinfecting the treatment room10. Oral evacuation <p>There will be a written test. The topics for study are:</p> <p>The Professional Dental Assistant The Dental Healthcare Team Overview of the Dentitions Tooth Morphology Preventive Dentistry Disinfection Instrument Processing and Sterilization Dental Hand Instruments Dental Radiography</p> <p>Reference: Bird, Doni L., and Debbie S. Robinson. Modern Dental Assisting. 13th ed. St. Louis, MO: Elsevier/Saunders, 2021.</p> <p>*There will be a three-hour time limit for contest completion.</p> <p>Written test – 60 minutes Skills – 120 minutes</p>
<p>Additional Information</p>	<p>Cell Phones are prohibited. Possession of a cell phone will result in the disqualification of the contestant from the competition.</p> <p>Professional demeanor is expected of all contestants at all times during the competition.</p>

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>
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