

## **Exploratory and First-Year Career & Tech Student Showcase**

### **(State Only Contest)**

#### **Purpose:**

The annual career and technical student showcase is held in conjunction with the SkillsUSA Rhode Island Championships and is an opportunity for SkillsUSA Rhode Island members to present through a display, the application of skills and education brought about through career and technical education.

This is a perfect event for students to showcase their skills and whom may not be able to make the state championships, are new to SkillsUSA programs, or have a special skill or talent they would like to present through an exhibit.

Participants compete for best in show awards and gain recognition among their peers. All exhibits are displayed at the State Leadership and Skills Conference for judging. Participants do not have to attend the SkillsUSA Rhode Island Championships.

#### **Contestant Eligibility Requirements/Fees:**

This contest is open to all exploratory and first-year career & technical high school members. Please note that this is not a team event and is a state only contest.

A registration fee of \$10 must be included with registration form and returned by the due date.

#### **Showcase Project Specifications:**

##### **1. Displays and Project Information**

A trifold presentation board should be used to illustrate the evolution of the project from start to finish. Participants must include a minimum of 3 examples of the connection between applied learning and academics in relation to their exhibit.

If possible, the actual completed project should accompany the display board and report.

##### **2. Report Information**

A report must accompany each showcase exhibit. The report must include the following information and be covered in a clear report cover/presentation folder. Please no three ring binders.

#### **The report should include the following:**

- A) Cover Sheet
  - a. Student name
  - b. Picture of exhibit
  - c. Name of exhibit

- B) Detailed description of the exhibit in paragraph form written by participant.
- C) List created by the student on the steps followed in completing the exhibit.
- D) Photographs that show the student completing the work.
- E) If a finished job has been produced from raw materials, include list of all materials used.
- F) If possible, working drawings should be provided to help judges.

**Before & After Contest Day:**

All exhibits will be set up at Community College of Rhode Island or other designated venue from 4-6pm the day before the actual contest.

Qualified members from business and industry will do the judging. Judging will happen the evening prior to or the morning of the SkillsUSA Rhode Island Championships. During the judging time period, the showcase area will be closed to the public. Ribbons will be posted on each qualifying project immediately at the completion of judging. All exhibits must be retrieved by the participant or their representative (with proper identification) by closing of the contest day, approximately 5pm.

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### Student Showcase Rating Sheet

The judges will rate each exhibit in accordance with the following ratings:	<u>Points</u>
1. Does the exhibit clearly present a career pathway, and does it demonstrate originality, creativity and initiative on the part of the participant?	_____
2. Does the exhibit meet the specifications or description submitted in the report and does it have adequate evidence of the work performed?	_____
3. Does the report contain all required information? (Deduct 2 points for each missing component)	_____
4. Does the exhibit indicate a student's depth of knowledge of his/her showcase through its design, construction, assembly, and/or arrangement?	_____
5. Does the exhibit show educational value/relevance?	_____
	<b>Total Score:</b> _____

#### Scoring Detail

All categories will have a maximum score of 20. Please follow the rubric below.

0 -5 (Poor) 5-10 (Needs Improvement) 10-15 (Meets Standards) 15 – 20 (Exceeds Standards)

#### Total Score Guideline

100 – 90	Gold Standard
89 – 80	Silver Standard
79 - 75	Bronze Standard
74 – 70	Honorable Mention
69 or below	Participation Ribbon

\*\*If an exhibit is rated less than honorable mention, then the judges will explain why in remarks section of exhibit score sheet. A copy of the rating sheet will be left with the exhibit.



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REGISTRATION FORM

Chapter (School) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name Entering The Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Career Area: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Who Will Set-up/Take Down The Exhibit Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Description:

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This form should accompany the project to the judging area.

Entries must be paid prior to the event date.