

# **SkillsUSA New Mexico STATESMAN AWARD**

Participants at the NM SkillsUSA Fall Leadership Conference may earn the SkillsUSA New Mexico Statesman Award. This award is to recognize participants who have demonstrated their leadership skills and have mastered certain requirements in leadership training.

Certificates will be presented to participants who have met all the requirements of the SkillsUSA New Mexico Statesman Award.

## **Qualifications**

1. Must be an active or professional SkillsUSA member.
2. Must attend the conference.
3. Must master all requirements for the Statesman Award at the Fall Leadership Conference.

## **Procedures**

1. Participate in all sessions of the conference.
2. Study and know each requirement of the SkillsUSA New Mexico Statesman Award.
3. Request evaluation from a State Officer or Board of Directors member.
5. Fulfill all requirements and **submit** the Statesman Award Form at the Fall Leadership Conference.

## **Requirements and Information**

1. Know the SkillsUSA Motto.

### **Preparing for leadership in the world of work**

2. Know the official colors and be able to give their meaning.

**The colors red, white, blue and gold represent the national SkillsUSA organization.**

- **Red and white represent the individual states and chapters.**
- **Blue represents the common union of the states and of the chapters.**
- **Gold represents the individual, the most important element of the organization.**

3. Be able to give the six (6) points of the Creed.

**SkillsUSA Creed**

I believe in the dignity of work  
I believe in the American way of life  
I believe in education  
I believe in fair play  
I believe satisfaction is achieved by good work  
I believe in high satisfaction and spiritual standards

4. Describe the official emblem and give its meaning.



**The shield represents patriotism**

The shield denotes our belief in democracy, liberty and the American way of life.

**The gear represents the industrial society**

The gear, symbolic of the industrial society, denotes the interdependence and cooperation of the individual working with labor and management for the betterment of mankind.

**The torch represents knowledge**

The flaming torch reflects the light of knowledge, which dispels the darkness of ignorance. In the light of the torch, progress will be made toward the vocational goals of the individual.

**The orbital circles represent technology**

The circles represent the challenge of modern technology and the training needed to accept and master the challenge of new technical frontiers and the need for continuous education.

## **The hands represent the individual**

The hands portray a search for knowledge and our desire to acquire a skill. In the process of attaining knowledge and skill, we will develop a respect for the dignity of work and become productive and responsible citizens.

### 5. Know the SkillsUSA Pledge.

*Upon My Honor, I pledge:*

To prepare myself by diligent study and ardent practice to become a worker whose services will be recognized as honorable by my employer and fellow workers,

To base my expectations of reward upon the solid foundation of service,

To honor and respect my vocation in such a way as to bring repute to myself,

And further, to spare NO effort in upholding the ideals of SkillsUSA.

### 6. Know the major duties of the SkillsUSA Chapter Officers.

#### President

- Presides over chapter meetings, using proper parliamentary procedure
- Works with other officers to prepare agenda
- Represents SkillsUSA at school and community functions

#### Vice President

- Presides at meetings and other functions in the absence of the chapter president
- Supervises all committees
- Serves as program chairperson, introduces program at chapter meetings

### Secretary

- Maintains all chapter records
- Records minutes of all meetings
- Handles all chapter correspondence

### Treasurer

- Keeps records of chapter funds
- Collects annual dues from members
- Prepares financial statements

### Reporter

- Writes news stories on chapter activities
- Contacts school paper and local news media about SkillsUSA events
- Gets acquainted with local news editors

### Parliamentarian

- Oversees proper business procedure of all chapter meetings
- Serves as consultant and expert on parliamentary procedure using adapted resource materials

7. Name four articles of clothing that are considered Male and/or Female official dress.

#### Official Attire for women:

- Red SkillsUSA blazer, windbreaker or sweater
- White collarless or small-collared blouse or white turtleneck (collar must not extend over the blazer lapel or the sweater or windbreaker)
- Black dress skirt (knee-length) or black dress slacks
- Black shoes
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#### Official attire for men:

- Red SkillsUSA blazer, windbreaker or sweater
- White dress shirt
- Plain solid black tie
- Black dress slacks
- Black dress shoes

8. Know the names of the SkillsUSA New Mexico Executive State Director and the Board of Directors President.

State Director – Sandra Castillo  
BOD Chair – Jill Henning

9. Know the names, school, and office of the SkillsUSA New Mexico State Officers.

Secondary Officers

Candice Gutierrez – President  
Deming High School

Blake Neeld – Vice President  
Hobbs High School

Alex Acosta - Secretary  
Carlsbad High School

Daisha McAdams – Reporter  
Hobbs High School

Tiffany Perales – Treasurer  
Deming High School

Cristina Campa – Parliamentarian  
West Mesa High School

Post-Secondary Officers

Gary Gamertsfelder - President  
Luna Community College

Dellynn Wilson – Vice President  
Navajo Technical College

Sharie Begay - Secretary  
Navajo Technical College

Amber Turner - Reporter  
Navajo Technical College

Juan Carlos Medina - Treasurer  
New Mexico Junior College

10. Parliamentary Procedure – give an example of each of the four (4) types of motions.

Main Motion

A motion, whose introduction brings business before the assembly, can be made only while no other motion is pending.

Subsidiary Motions

Lay on the Table – to temporarily delay action on an item of business, may be desired to give members time to consider the proposal further or to consider business of a more urgent nature.

Previous Question – purpose is to terminate discussion on the motion before the assembly and secure an immediate vote.

Refer to a Committee – to place the question temporarily in a committee

Amend – to modify the motion that is under consideration

### Privileged Motions

Call for Order of the Day – by which a member can require the assembly to conform to its agenda, program, or order of business

Recess – a short intermission in the assembly’s program does not close the meeting and business immediately resumes at the point it was interrupted.

Adjourn – purpose is to close the meeting

### Incidental Motions

Point of Order – to enforce the rules by calling attention to a violation of the rules or a mistake in procedure

Appeal – to obtain a decision from the assembly to a question on which the president has made a decision

Division of the Assembly – to determine the accuracy of a vote, especially when taken by voice or by show of hands

Nominations – to present to the assembly the name of a candidate for a certain office or position

Parliamentary Inquiry – to permit a member to gain parliamentary information

Withdraw a motion – to permit the withdrawal of a motion from consideration by the assembly

## 11. Know the 7 components of a Program of Work

### **Professional development**

To prepare each SkillsUSA member for entry into the work force and provide a foundation for success in a career. Becoming a professional does not stop with acquiring a skill, but involves an increased awareness of the meaning of good citizenship and the importance of labor and management in the world of work.

**Community service**

To promote and improve good will and understanding among all segments of the community through services donated by SkillsUSA chapters, and to instill in its members a lifetime commitment to community service.

**Employment**

To increase student awareness of quality job practices and attitudes, and to increase the opportunities for employer contact and eventual employment.

**Ways and means**

To plan and participate in fundraising activities to allow all members to carry out the chapter's projects.

**SkillsUSA Championships**

Championships offer students the opportunity to demonstrate their skills and be recognized for them through competitive activities in occupational areas and leadership events.

**Public relations**

To make the general public aware of the good work that students in career and technical education are doing to better themselves and their community, state, nation and world.

**Social activities**

To increase cooperation in the school and community through activities that allow SkillsUSA members to get to know each other in something other than a business or classroom setting.

12. What is the SkillsUSA Competition Theme for 2011-12?

**“SkillsUSA: Champions at Work, Skilled and Motivated”**

This is the theme for the Chapter Display, Prepared Speech and Promotional Bulletin Board contests.

13. Name New Mexico’s two U.S. Senators.

[Jeff Bingaman, U.S. Senator from New Mexico](#)

[Tom Udall, U.S. Senator from New Mexico](#)

14. Name New Mexico's three U.S. Representatives.

Ben Luján, Jr., U.S. Representative from New Mexico's 3rd District

Steve Pierce, U.S. Representative from New Mexico's 2nd District

Martin Heinrich, U.S. Representative from New Mexico's 1st District

15. Name the three highest ranking officials of the State of New Mexico Executive Branch

Governor – Susana Martinez

Attorney General – Bruce King

Lr. Governor – John Sanchez

16. Name the "Speaker of the House" for the New Mexico House of Representatives.

Representative Ben Lujan Sr.

17. Who serves as the President of the New Mexico Senate?

Senator Timothy Jennings