

## **NM SkillsUSA T-Shirt and Pin Design Contest Rules**

- 1. This competition is open to any student who is an active member of SkillsUSA at the time of submission.**
- 2. The design should be submitted on a full 8 ½ x 11 inch sheet of plain white paper along with a second page depicting the same design reduced to 1 – 1 ½ inches in order to show how the design will appear on a trading pin.**
- 3. Your name, educational program, advisor's name and school, and advisor's verification of authenticity must be identified in 12-point font (or printed neatly) on the back of BOTH design pages (advisor verification statement should be typed or printed, but must show the advisor's actual signature, not a typed or printed name).**
- 4. The deadline for submission is the first day of Fall Leadership Conference and all submissions are to be presented at the Fall Leadership Conference registration desk upon arrival.**
- 5. Designs do NOT have to be in the shape of New Mexico; however, you are strongly encouraged to incorporate some aspect of the state's heritage, culture, or physical attributes for easy recognition by individuals from other states.**
- 6. "SkillsUSA" in its official format must appear somewhere on the face of the design, along with the year in which the NM SkillsUSA State Leadership & Skills Conference will be held. You may also include NM or New Mexico but be aware of space limitations.**
- 7. Designs may be submitted in one of two categories: free-hand or computer-generated. Computer-generated (CG) designs may NOT include any photos in their original form (altered photos are acceptable), must be a minimum of 350 dpi., and must be accompanied by an advisor's verification of authenticity verifying that the member personally altered the original CG design. Free-hand designs must be scanned onto a computer and submitted as a computer print-out, and must also be accompanied by an advisor's verification of authenticity stating the design was originally created as a free-hand design. (see rule #3 for instructions about verification of authenticity)**
- 8. Members may submit ONE design in EACH category (maximum 2 design entries per member).**
- 9. Although the submitted designs will be voted upon by participants at the SkillsUSA Fall Leadership Conference, members who submit designs do NOT have to be present to win.**

- 10. Voting for the designs will be handled as follows: All members present at the Fall Leadership Conference are eligible to vote. Each member may vote on ONE free-hand design and ONE CG design and the top two designs in each category (for a total of four designs) will be considered the T-Shirt and Pin Design Contest finalists.**
- 11. The NM SkillsUSA Board of Directors, at their next regular BOD meeting (November 14, 2008), will vote on the final four designs to determine the final winning design.**
- 11. The Board of Directors, with input from the winning contestant, has the option to edit the design in the interest of printing considerations (colors, size, detail, placement, etc.). *However, the primary concept of the design will NOT change.***
- 12. The final design winner will receive a first place prize of \$100 and the remaining three runners-up (second, third, and fourth place) will each receive \$25.**