



VIRTUAL – Audio/Radio Production Competition - (MD)

This year's virtual SkillsUSA competition will be conducted as closely to the live event as possible. The only difference is that we will be communicating via the internet rather than in person. As always, we are very excited to see the incredible talent in your work!

I. APPS NEEDED

1. **Zoom:** All contest communications will be conducted using the Zoom app.
2. **Kahoot:** While on Zoom, students will take a 50 question Knowledge Test using the Kahoot platform. Please familiarize your students with the app.
3. **DropBox:** All required contest materials will be uploaded to a dedicated shared folder. Once we receive your official email, a folder link will be emailed to you.

II. DATES & TIMES

Event	Date	Time
Prompt Release Date	Thursday April 15, 2021	2:30pm EST
Film Upload DEADLINE (Dropbox)	Friday April 16, 2021	2:30pm EST
Contestant Meeting (Zoom)	Thursday April 15, 2021	2:30pm EST

NOTE: Students will receive an emailed Zoom meeting invite for the START of the competition. All of the required materials need to be uploaded by the DEADLINE.

III. CONTEST OVERVIEW

On the Zoom meeting, the contest chair will give a clear overview of the contest guidelines, then begin the competition by administering Part 1: Knowledge Test. After the test, the students will receive a Dropbox upload link to upload all required materials.

Part 1: Knowledge Test (150 Points) – Zoom and Kahoot

Students will be tested on a wide variety of topics including basic digital audio recording and editing, equipment, cables and connectors, and terminology.

Part 2: Project (850 points)

The contestants will record, mix and edit a Radio Production consisting of one 60sec. Info-commercial applicable to online streaming, a 2min. Radio story, and a 30sec. Commercial spot applicable to Broadcast Radio.

IV. UPLOAD FOLDER (Dropbox)

Each student's shared Dropbox folder should contain the following items PRIOR to the DEADLINE date & time listed above:

- Final Audio File named "Audio-Radio-(your *contestant #*)" (i.e. "Audio-Radio-001")
- Your resume (.pdf) named - Resume-(*contestant #*)
- Permissions folder - this should contain all license information on copywritten material in your production such as sound effects, music, etc. and permissions to use that material. All documentation should also be in (.pdf) form.

V. CONTESTANT REQUIRED ITEMS

- Computer with your choice of DAW editor installed.
- Microphone, Mic Stand and Cables
- Memory cards & extra batteries (Fully Charged!)
- Audio recording device
- Full Cover Headphones or Monitor Speakers

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