

Dear SkillsUSA Advisor, (SkillsUSA 2020-2021 #21)

Item #1: Regional Online Testing Registration Deadline Extension

Since next Monday (2/15), the regional online test registration deadline, is also a State Holiday, and several SkillsUSA regions have not yet registered any students for online testing, the registration deadline will be extended to **Friday, February 19, 2021**. We hope this additional time will allow chapters to survey student interest, communicate with other chapters in respective regions and complete this process.

Advisors will be utilizing the SkillsUSA Conference Management System (CMS) to register students for online testing (same platform used for membership and conference registration). If you need registration assistance please contact Dennis Peaton, SkillsUSA Maryland Conference Registration Coordinator, dennis.peaton@gmail.com

Item #2: Reminder: Membership Deadline Extended

The SkillsUSA Maryland January 31 membership deadline has been extended to February 26, 2021. Continue recruiting new members and think about inviting a State Officer to one of your chapter meetings to get students excited about being or becoming a member! Contact Charlene Zinnel, State Officer Team Advisor, to schedule a virtual visit, zinnelc@dcpsmd.org.

Item #3: **ACTION ITEM!** 2020-2021 State Officer Application and Interviews

Please encourage your most involved and motivated chapter officers to run for state office. The 2021-2022 application is available online and located on the SkillsUSA Maryland official website, State Officer page (“State Officer Application” at bottom of page): http://mdskillsusa.org/state_officers.html

The application must be **completed and returned electronically via email attachment** to the State Director by February 16, 2021 (as 2/15 is a State Holiday). Please mail original copies with signatures to:

MSDE
DCCR / Chuck Wallace
200 W. Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

State officer candidates must complete/pass a written test as part of the application process. Online testing will be available February 18-March 1, and test results will be shared with candidates before the interviews. See test study guide on SkillsUSA Maryland official website, State Officer page: http://mdskillsusa.org/documents/Officer_Test_Study_Questions.pdf

Interviews will be held virtually this year, March 10-11, 2021. Please contact Charlene Zinnel for interview

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