**SkillsUSA Pennsylvania Western Region**

**Conference Officer Screening**

**Objective:**

The student will demonstrate skills in the area of leadership, SkillsUSA knowledge and public speaking. Successful competitors may be selected to serve as a Western Region Conference Officer.

**General Rules:**

* Each school may enter ONE SkillsUSA member as a contestant.
* The contest will be conducted exclusively at the Western Region officer screening day.
* Contestant must be in official SkillsUSA attire. **(RED BLAZER ONLY PLEASE)**
* Observers will not be permitted in the contest area.
* No one may enter or leave the contest site once the contest has begun.
* All contestants will be screened and ten officers will be chosen.
* Students MUST bring a pencil or pen with them, paper will be provided.
* The student must have summited a copy of the application form to Mr. Brown with all required information filled out and all required signatures present before the officer screening night.
* Students MUST provide the name of a song (school appropriate) at the officer screening night that will be used as their entrance song, if chosen, during opening and closing.

**Contest Chairperson and Judges:**

The Western Region Teacher Representative(s) shall chair the selection committee.

ONE advisor from each participating school will serve on the selection committee.

**Contest (not necessarily in this order):**

***Introduction*** – each student will prepare and present to the judges an introduction. The student should use his/her name, school, class and any other information he/she feels pertinent. This introduction should be 1 to 2 minutes in length and note cards are not permitted.

***SkillsUSA Pledge*** – each student will recite the SkillsUSA pledge from memory.

***Professional Speech***– each student will be given an envelope with a leadership topic inside before the start of the screening. The student will then have 10 minutes to write a speech about the given topic. After 10 minutes, the speech will be collected and the student will be handed it back to read when they are called into the screening room. There is no limit on the length of the speech, whatever the student can write in 10 minutes will be used.

***Impromptu Speaking*** – each student will be asked a pre-determined question. The question topic could be about anything. The student will have one minute to gather their thoughts and then up to two minutes to answer the question.

Each category will be scored separately. No advisor will judge his/her own student. The scores will be totaled to determine the contestant’s score.

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**Conference Officer Application for the Leadership Conference**

**(Application MUST be typed)**

Candidate’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Technical School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SkillsUSA District: 8 9 10 Advisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(highlight one)

Occupational Training Program: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please provide a brief introduction of yourself: (Please Type)

I certify that the above answers are true and that I have read the conference officer screening guidelines and believe myself to be qualified, and will, if chosen, serve to the best of my ability.

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Candidate Signature and Date Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

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Advisor Signature and Date Administrator’s Signature and Date

**Please return a copy of this form to John Brown BEFORE the officer screening night.**

**E-mail electronic copy to - john.brown@beattietech.com**