SkillsUSA

SkillsUSA is a national nonprofit organization preparing students for careers in trade, technical, and skilled service occupations. SkillsUSA is an applied method of instruction providing quality educational experiences for students in leadership, teamwork, citizenship, and character development. SkillsUSA builds and reinforces self-confidence, work attitudes, and communications skills to empower its members to become world-class workers, leaders, and responsible American citizens. (https://skillsusa.org)

SkillsUSA Engages:

- Students to make education and career choices that are validated by industry.
- Students to develop career readiness skills like effective communication, teamwork and problem solving
- Teachers to participate in professional development and peer-to-peer networking.
- Teachers to provide practical tools to ensure every student is career ready.
- Counselors to support career planning and guidance efforts.
- Counselors to foster workplace/work-based learning experiences.
- Schools to build positive professional connections.

SkillsUSA Empowers Students to:

- Build confidence and learn useful skills to be self-sufficient and self-supporting.
- Achieve a sense of accomplishment and belonging.
- Enhance their résumé.
- Participate in meaningful career exploration.
- Practice hands-on application of skills.
- Take advantage of internship, mentorship, and employment opportunities.
- Network with peers, teachers, mentors, and industry representatives.

SkillsUSA in TUSD

Active Chapter at:

- South High School
- West High School

CTE Teacher Advisors:

- Carol Bonn (SHS)
- Marcia Kim (WHS)

Aligned with the following CTE Programs:

- Cabinetry, Millwork, & Woodworking
- Engineering Design
- Performing Arts
  - Theatre
  - Music
- Production & Managerial Arts
  - Film/Video Production
- Software & Systems Development
  - Systems Programming
  - Web/Social Media Programming/Design

Conferences & Competitions:

- Fall Leadership Conference
- Regional, State, & National Conferences
- Region 3 Competition
- State & National Competitions (must qualify)