**Press Release**

April 14, 2025.

SkillsUSA North Carolina held its annual State Leadership & Skills Conference **April 9-11, 2025** at the Greensboro Coliseum and the Koury Convention Center.

Our SkillsUSA state conference is the largest showcase of Career and Technical Education in the state with over 3000 students competing in more than 140 skilled, technical and leadership development competitive events.  Skilled trades including construction, transportation, public safety, robotics, cosmetology, welding, drone technology, engineering, culinary, medical, mechatronics, public safety, additive manufacturing, digital media, drafting, video production, human services, and the list goes on….. So many trades and skills that affect and touch our students.

In addition to our student competitors, over 500 instructors were on-site, along with numerous visitors, volunteers and dignitaries who support building the next generation of leaders in the workforce.

Over 100 industry partners, such as the North Carolina Department of Transportation, 84 Lumber, NCMCA, Carolina Ford Dealers, Sundt Construction, Brady Services, Starr Electric, Edwards Inc, ARC3 Gases, Builders Mutual, and many more, help support the competitive events.

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. We help each student excel. A nonprofit national education association, SkillsUSA serves middle-school, high-school and college/postsecondary students preparing for careers in trade, technical and skilled service occupations.

SkillsUSA’s mission is to empower its members to become world-class workers and leaders. We improve the quality of our nation’s future skilled workforce through the development of SkillsUSA Framework skills that include personal, workplace and technical skills grounded in academics. Our vision is to produce the most highly skilled workforce in the world, providing every member the opportunity for career success.

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