

# CONTEST OVERVIEW



## What you should be doing BEFORE the competition:

- Review all the information for your contest in the Technical Standards, available in the LMS
- Review the clothing requirements for your contest, to make sure you have the appropriate attire and safety gear.
- Review your tool list in the Technical Standards, be sure to pack all the tools on the list.
- If you are required to take the Employability Exam or a Trade Specific Exam online, it will be available in the LMS.
- Travel to the conference with your school. Participate in the Opening Ceremonies, then go directly back to your hotel and prepare for the next day. Be sure to get plenty of rest

## What you can expect DURING competition:

- On contest day, you should put on the required uniform for your contest, eat a healthy breakfast and drink water. Then get on the bus with all tools and supplies you were required to bring. \*Check your contest location in the conference program!
- Upon arrival at your contest site, you will be directed to the appropriate contest area.  
(Transportation to the Upton Highway Barn (for the Masonry contest) will be provided by SkillsUSA, upon arrival at Blackstone Valley Tech.)
- Contestants competing in Graphic Communications, Graphic Imaging Sublimation and Screen Print Technology will travel to Greater Lowell Technical HS on buses labeled for Greater Lowell. Upon arrival, guides will help direct you to your contest location.  
\*An Advisor can travel with you.
- Contestants competing in Diesel Equipment Technology will travel to Advantage Truck Group in Shrewsbury on buses labeled for Advantage Truck Group. Upon arrival, guides will help direct you to your contest location. \*An Advisor can travel with you.
- Contestants should plan to turn off cell phone during contests. Cell phones are prohibited from use during competition.
- Attendance will be taken at all competitions.  
(The Event Manager will verify your Name Badge and check your Contestant ID for accuracy)
- Results from your Employability Exams and any required Trade Exams taken through in the LMS will be added to your score (For contests that require this exam at the state level)
- Contestant resumés must be submitted through the LMS and will be shared with judges.
- Contestant items submitted through in the LMS will be shared with the appropriate judges.  
(For contests that required submission of projects, files, or documentation)
- Safety is priority for all contestants, follow ALL safety requirements, don't get disqualified.
- Lunch will be served in your contest location, according to registered meal choice.
- Event Managers will dismiss contestants at the end of competition, between 3:00pm & 4:00pm and buses will transport contestants back to their hotel.