

**CREED**



## **SkillsUSA Washington Leadership Contest**

### **Purpose**

1. To demonstrate the ability of an individual to recite the Creed with knowledge of its meaning.
2. To give an individual the opportunity to memorize, deliver, and answer questions on the SkillsUSA Creed.
3. To give an individual the opportunity to stand before an audience, to develop poise, self-control and ability to be at ease.

### **Clothing Requirement**

The National SkillsUSA Clothing Requirements are used for state contests. No “clothing penalty” points will be assessed providing the contestant is attired “appropriately business-like attire”

### **Eligibility**

Contest is open to properly registered SkillsUSA members.

### **Required Contest Personnel (3 judges minimum)**

1. Lead Judge
2. Timekeeper
3. Student Guides

### **Scope of the Contest**

1. Contestants will demonstrate their ability to recite all the portions of the SkillsUSA Creed.
2. Contestants will be asked 1 to 2 questions, by the judges, on the meaning of the SkillsUSA Creed.

3. The winning contestant will be scored on the basis of:
  - a. Voice
  - b. Stage presence
  - c. Stage presence
  - d. Power of expressions
  - e. Response to questions
  - f. General effect
  - g. Accuracy
4. Contestant will be called by number without mention of name, city or chapter.
5. No contestant is permitted in the assembly until after he/she gives the Creed.



# The SkillsUSA Creed

## **I believe in the dignity of work**

I hold that society has advanced to its present culture through the use of the worker's hands and mind. I will maintain a feeling of humbleness for the knowledge and skills that I receive from professionals, and I will conduct myself with dignity in the work I do.

## **I believe in the American way of life**

I know our culture is the result of freedom of action and opportunities won by the founders of our American republic, and I will uphold their ideals.

## **I believe in education**

I will endeavor to make the best use of knowledge, skills and experience that I will learn in order that I may be a better worker in my chosen occupation and a better citizen in my community. To this end, I will continue my learning now and in the future.

## **I believe in fair play**

I will, through honesty and fair play, respect the rights of others. I will always conduct myself in the manner of the best professionals in my occupation and treat those with whom I work as I would like to be treated.

## **I believe satisfaction is achieved by good work**

I feel that compensation and personal satisfaction received for my work and services will be in proportion to my creative and productive ability.

## **I believe in high moral and spiritual standards**

I will endeavor to conduct myself in such a manner as to set an example for others by living a wholesome life and by fulfilling my responsibilities as a citizen of my community.