Floral Design
State Contest Information

Date, Time and Location

State conference check-in will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, Gilcrease Room on Sunday, April 28th between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. One advisor/instructor from each school will need to confirm conference participants previously registered and pick up conference programs, delegate ribbons, etc. Contestants will be given their name badge upon check-in at the contest area.

The State Floral Design Contest will be held in the Exhibit Hall area at Tulsa Convention Center on April 28th, 2014. All contestants need to be in the contest area at 8:00 a.m. for the contestant briefing prior to the start of the competition. Be sure that all students have their conference badges.

For additional information about the requirements for this contest please contact either Jona Kay Squires at (405) 424-8324 or Lynda Mauldin at (405)449-3391.

Contestant Resumes

All contestants will be required to submit a one page, typed resume. If any contestant does not submit a resume to the contest chair, penalty points will be assessed. All contest information/guidelines are located on the SkillsUSA website.

Contest Overview

Instructions for the Floral Design contest. The following items have been included in this document.

- Floral Design State Contest Information
- Floral Design Contest Rules
- Floral Design Cost Control Form
- Flower Identification Pictures
- Foliages
- Potted Plants
- Floral Design General Knowledge Study Guide
- Mystery Design Judging Sheet
- Theme Arrangement Judging Sheet
- Innovative Flowers to Wear Judging Sheet

Awards Ceremony

Contest winners will be recognized during the Awards Assembly at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 29th in the Tulsa Convention Center. Official SkillsUSA attire is required. According to the SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards- clothing requirements are as follows: "*For men:* SkillsUSA official attire: Official red blazer or jacket, black dress slacks, white dress shirt, plain black tie with no pattern or SkillsUSA tie, black socks and black shoes. *For women:* Official red blazer or jacket, black dress slacks or skirt, with businesslike white, collarless blouse or white blouse with small, plain collar that may not extend onto the lapels of the blazer, black sheer or skin-tone hose and black shoes." Any contest winner who is not in official SkillsUSA attire will not be permitted on stage. The student will be escorted behind the stage to receive his or her medallion and awards. The awards ceremony is the

"Showcase" of our state conference and many industry guests and VIP's are invited to present medallions and honor our students. **NO HATS ARE TO BE WORN DURING THE AWARDS CEREMONY.**

Clothing Requirements

On the day of the skills competition, all students will be required to wear appropriate clothing representative of their occupation.

Industry Awards

All industry awards should be clearly marked so that they will not get mixed up with other contests. Industry awards need to be labeled with the name and address of the award supplier and taken to the contest chair the day of the skill contest. Industry awards need to be coordinated through the contest chair and properly labeled as secondary or post-secondary. **ALL INSTRUCTORS PARTICIPATING IN THE STATE CONTEST SHOULD BRING AT LEAST TWO INDUSTRY AWARDS PER REGISTERED CONTESTANT.**

PERFORMANCE

Contestants will have a time limit of 90 minutes to create the following 3 designs, to provide a cost sheet to support the cost of the "Theme Arrangement" and to set up their display table.

- **Mystery Design - Symmetrical Triangle**
  Contestants are to do this arrangement first. Flowers, foliage and container will be provided.

- **Theme Arrangement - "Party Flowers"**
  Container, props, flowers, foliage and any other materials supporting the Theme Arrangement must be provided by the contestant. The wholesale value of the cut flowers, foliage and container for the Theme Arrangement is $30. The contestant must provide a cost sheet to support the cost of the design. A sample cost sheet is enclosed. Arrangement and all props must fit within a 36" x 36" area. Flowers must make up 50% or more of the total wholesale value.

- **Innovative Flowers to Wear**
  This will be the contestants' choice. The contestant will need to provide flowers, foliage, wire, tape, accessories and/or props, including any adhesive material that might be used to secure the flowers. The type, color and amount of flowers used is up to each contestant.

IDENTIFICATION

- 35 Cut Flower and Foliages from the approved list provided in the Floral Design Contest Information Study Guide

- 15 Blooming and Interior Foliage plants from the approved list provided in the Floral Design Contest Information Study Guide

- Each Cut Flower, Foliage, Blooming Plant and Interior Foliage Plant will be worth 2 points each.

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Floral Design Contest Rules

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- All students competing must be paid SkillsUSA members.
- Official SkillsUSA wear is not required, but students are to be dressed in a professional manner.
- The purpose of the contest is to promote the development of basic skills in the floral industry.
- Contestants will be known by number only, no reference to school or personal name is allowed.
- Contestants will need to supply their own HAND TOOLS, FLOWERS AND SUPPLIES (RIBBON, TAPE, WIRE, FOAM), FOLIAGES, PROPS, AND CONTAINERS for the THEME ARRANGEMENT and for the INNOVATIVE BODY FLOWERS.
- Flowers, foliages and container will be provided for the MYSTERY ARRANGEMENT.
- All work is to be done by the individual contestant. Nothing is to be pre-made. There is to be no talking while contest is taking place.
- Judges will be leading professionals in the floral design field.
- The Floral Design General Knowledge and PDP Knowledge Tests will be taken online March/April. These will be multiple choice tests and will test the basic knowledge of the principles of floriculture (floral design) and the Skills USA organization. The floral design general knowledge will be 50 questions from the 100 question Floral Design General Knowledge Study Guide.
- The Identification Contest will have two (2) parts:
    - Cut Flower and Foliage
    - Flowering and Interior Foliage Plants

  Contest will be multiple choices from the identification Study Guide provided with this contest.

Floral Design Cost Control Form
Fresh Flowers, Foliage and Other Products

ITEM	QUANTITY	COST per ITEM	TOTAL $

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