

Plumbing Contest Information

Tentative-Information is subject to change, check back often.

NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER FRIDAY, March 28th, 2025. THERE WILL BE NO SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED ON-SITE AT THE CONFERENCE*

Please double-check all registrations prior to the deadline. This includes secondary versus postsecondary as well as contests

*Contest will follow national technical standards unless otherwise stated in the state memo.

PURPOSE

To evaluate each contestant's preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of plumbing.

TIME/DATE/LOCATIONS

The 2025 Plumbing contest will occur on Monday, April 27th at the Arvest Convention Center (formally known as the Cox Convention Center) The contest orientation will begin at **8 a.m. SHARP.** Any contractors or industry representatives present who wish to speak to the contestant group may leave their information with the contest chair. Contestants will receive this information and have a potential employment opportunity. The contest will follow immediately after or by 9 a.m.

ONLINE TESTING

Contestants will be judged on their SkillsUSA knowledge through Professional Development test. Testing will be completed online and proctored through their technology centers. Online testing opens March 14, 2025, and closes Apil 4, 2025.

RESUME- Change to submission type please for 2025 please read

All contestants will submit a digital resume prior to contest day. Contestants will receive an email to the address used to register the contestant for contest with instructions and link to access the SkillsUSA Competitor Portal page. The email will contain contestant's username and contestant number, which are required to login to the Competitor Portal.

Deadline to submit resume is April 22, 2025

Clothing Requirements

All students will be required to wear appropriate clothing representative of their occupation. No school logos or anything that shows your name allowed on clothing. Safety glasses are required at all times while in the contest area.

CONTEST MOVE IN

Sunday before contest, all workstations must be assembled and prepared for contest at 3:00pm. All contestants and advisors must be present to help.

CONTEST MOVE OUT

After the contest, all workstations must be disassembled and prepared for shipping. Please have your contestants stack the panels neatly for transport on pallets or 4x4's to allow the forklift to get under them without restacking.

The contest area must be cleaned, swept, tables stacked, and all tape removed from the floor. This is the responsibility of instructors and contestants. Contestant not completing this may result in deduction of points.

LUNCH

There will be a boxed lunch provided to contestants as part of contest registration.

AWARDS CEREMONY

Winners will be recognized at the General Session on Tuesday morning, April 29th at 9am.

All competitors must wear official SkillsUSA dress to the Awards Session, where winners are announced. Competitors who are not dressed appropriately or lack official attire will be denied access to the awards stage. Students must be present when their contest is announced. If a student is improperly dressed, absent, or misses their contest being called, the production will not be paused for any reason, and they will forfeit their opportunity to go on stage to receive the award. No exceptions will be made. No hats or sunglasses will be allowed to be worn on stage.

Official dress for men: Official blazer, jacket or sweater; black dress slacks; white dress shirt; plain black tie with no pattern or SkillsUSA black tie; black socks and black shoes.

Official dress for women: Official blazer, jacket or sweater; black dress slacks or knee-length

skirt with business like white, collarless blouse or white blouse with small, plain collar that may not extend onto the lapels of the blazer, and black dress shoes.

INDUSTRY AWARDS

As agreed at August Conference each instructor is requested to secure a minimum of \$50.00 in prizes for each student that you bring to the State SkillsUSA Championships. Please contact your **Awards Chairman** for details and to let him/her know of industry awards you have secured. These awards should be labeled with the name, address, and contact person for the donating industry so that the contestant they are awarded to can send an appropriate expression of his or her appreciation.

Prizes are the responsibility of the individual contests. Prizes are not guaranteed and are not supplied at the SkillsUSA Oklahoma state level.

Please bring prizes to the industry awards area at the Arvest Convention Center Conference Hall, Sunday, April 27th between 12-4pm or Monday, April 28th between 8am-4pm.

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES

Contestants will need to bring the tools and materials listed below:

- Tool Kit
- Tool box of basic plumbing tools
- Torch set up with solder and flux
- Cast iron pipe cutter (one per program)
- Torque wrench or nut driver 5/16" (no hub bands)
- Safety glasses with side shields
- Hard hat
- Push broom & dust pan (one per school)
- ProPress Tool w/1/2" clamp (one per program)

Please check back if materials get donated this list may change. (4/21/2025)

CONTEST DESCRIPTION AND SCORING

The contest will again be provided and judged courtesy of the staff of the Oklahoma Construction Industries Board faculty and contractors who are members of the Statewide Plumbing Trades Advisory Committee. The contest will include components of both residential and commercial plumbing.

Contestants will also complete a written test covering the Code and practical plumbing competencies and a SkillsUSA knowledge test.

The SkillsUSA PDP is 2.5% of the contest score.

The knowledge test is 10% of the contest score. The technical skills portion of the contest is 87.5% of the contest score. The above scoring is consistent with the national SkillsUSA competition.

Holes will be pre-drilled, so drilling equipment will not be required.