

2026 OKLAHOMA SLSC STATE MEMO

Electrical Construction Wiring Contest Information

**NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER FRIDAY,
MARCH 27, 2026**

**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.**

The 2026 Oklahoma SkillsUSA contest will be held April 20th and will be hosted at the Arvest Center, 100 Civic Center, Tulsa, OK 74103

CONTEST FEES

In addition to the regular conference registration, there will be a lunch fee of \$25.00 and a Materials fee of \$30.00. These fees will be added to the contestant's registration when it is completed online.

CONTEST

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.

On Sunday, April 19th a meal sponsored by AGC Oklahoma Education Foundation and the Tulsa Homebuilder's Association will be held from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Baxter's Grill, 717 S Houston Ste 100, Tulsa, OK 74127

On Monday April 20th, 2024, there will be a meeting and breakfast from 6:45 – 8:00 a.m. Tulsa Public Library East of the Convention Center.

Move Out (Tear Down)

All contestants must be present!

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 re-stacking.

The contest area must be cleaned, swept, tables stacked, and all tape removed from the floor.

This is the responsibility of instructors and contestants.

RESUME

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.

CONTEST TESTING

Contestants will be judged on their SkillsUSA knowledge through the Professional Development test and a knowledge test based on their contest area, unless otherwise stated in the state memo.

Contestants will NOT be allowed to use cell phones or other electronic communication devices during the contest and will be disqualified for doing so.

LUNCH

A box lunch is included in contest registration/lunch fee for contestants. Also a box lunch will be provided for judges.

It is recommended to bring bottled water and snacks (energy bars, etc.) to tide contestants over until lunch

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 know of industry awards you have secured. I know many of you have already been hard at work

securing the awards. 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.

*****NEW 2026- ADVISOR MEDALS WILL NOT BE PROVIDED BY OKLAHOMA SKILLSUSA, BUT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE IN THE SKILLSUSA STORE**

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

Prize Committee Chairpersons are Kurtis Allen. Please contact the chair with prizes that will need to be checked in. **Each participating school is expected to furnish an industry award.** Industry awards should be labeled with the name and address of the award supplier so that an appropriate "Thank you" may be sent, must be accompanied by an *industry award donation information sheet* (available on the Oklahoma SkillsUSA website). **Please bring prizes to the awards area at the Arvest Convention Center Tulsa Ballroom on Sunday, April 19th between 12-4pm or Monday, April 20th between 8am-4pm.**

AWARDS CEREMONY

Winners will be recognized at the General Session on Monday night, April 20th, at 7pm, or Tuesday morning, April 21st at 9am. ***(please pick the correct awards ceremony for your contest)***

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 allow 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.

Please see the National SkillsUSA [clothing guidelines](#) as needed

TOOLS AND SUPPLIES

Contestants will need to bring the tools on the list below, (NO POWER TOOLS REQUIRED, PANELS ARE PRE-DRILLED)

- Claw Hammer
- Drywall Saw/Jab Saw/Keyhole Saw



- Hacksaw with blades
- ½" EMT bender
- Pocket tools and pouch
- Eye protection with side shields
- OSHA Acceptable hard hat
- NEC book (Code version currently adopted by the Construction Industries Board)
- 6' Folding rule or tape measure
- Bandages (Bandaid brand adhesive bandages or equivalent for use on minor injuries to avoid time penalty of having to go to first aid station.)
- Scientific Calculator
- #2 Lead Pencils
- Contestants may bring and use cordless screw guns or impact drivers. It is the responsibility of each contestant to check the condition of batteries and see that they are charged for the contest. In the event of forgotten, malfunctioning, or equipment with dead batteries, screws will be driven the old-fashioned way. No penalty will be applied but no accommodation will be made for this disadvantage.

NOTE: Maximum height of any device to be seven feet from finished floor. Contestant may bring step-ladder if he or she feels one will be needed to reach these devices.

I have worked with your trade group chairman and **Ron Morris** of the Construction Industries Board to confirm the changes and modified the unified materials list.

2026 Electric Construction Wiring Materials List

STATE ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION WIRING SKILL CONTEST

**NOTE: No preassembly of materials except knock out closures if needed
(all knock outs must be closed prior to start of contest.)**

1	100 amp MLO 120/240 volt 4 circuit load center with equipment grounding bar in addition to neutral bar
2	15 amp 1 pole breakers
2	20 amp 1 pole breaker
1	20 amp 2 pole breaker
4	4" x 1½" square metallic boxes with ½" knock outs
4	Single-gang nonmetallic box, nail-type
2	Single-gang nonmetallic cut-in box
1	Double-gang nonmetallic box, nail-type
2	Round nonmetallic boxes, nail-type
2	Metallic utility boxes with ½" knock outs (Handy Box)
2	4" Metallic octagonal boxes with internal clamps
2	Expandable bar-hangers to fit octagon boxes
2	Single-pole switch with screw terminals only*
2	Three-way switch with screw terminals only*
1	Four-way switch with screw terminals only*
5	15 amp 110 volt duplex receptacle with screw terminals only
1	20 amp GFCI receptacle
1	20 amp 220 volt single receptacle with screw terminals only
1	Raised receptacle cover (duplex)
1	Raised GFCI cover (single-gang) for 4" square box
2	Keyless lamp holders
16	½" EMT set-screw connectors with lock-nuts
16	½" EMT one hole straps
3'	#8-3 w/g NM Cable to use as service entry cable (SE preferred)
1	NM adapter to fit #8-3 Cable above
30'	#14 THHN white solid
30'	#14 THHN red solid
30'	#14 THHN black solid
30'	#14 THHN green solid
40'	12-2 NM WG

30'	12-3 NM WG
16	NM connectors
BOX	NM staples
10	Ground screws (10-32 RHMS)
24	16-penny nails
30	#10X5/8 pan head sheet metal screws
15	Red "wirenut" wire splices
15	Yellow "wirenut" wire splices
12	Green "wirenut" grounding wire splices

First aid for your students

NOTE: EMT will be provided at the contest site.

Device boxes on Residential project will all be nonmetallic.

Light boxes remain same as in the past.

***All switches MUST be grounding type. ***

Our goal is a single materials list which will contain no surprises for you each year: you will know the day after this year's contest exactly what to bring next year and so on. The list includes metal boxes as well as plastic boxes, nail-on octagonal boxes as well as metal octagonal boxes with hanger bars, and plaster rings. This will allow the technical committee some latitude from year to year to change the materials and construction techniques and add a dimension to the contest we have not had before. Contestants will be expected to read instructions carefully and note changes in materials called for.

Contestants will be required to wear hard hats and OSHA-approved eye protection (including side shields) at all time while in the contest area. Failure to have these items on BEFORE entering the contest area will result in immediate disqualification and the contestant's project will not be judged.

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.

CELLPHONES AND OTHER SMART DEVICES

Cellphones, electronic watches and/or other electronic devices not approved by a competition's technical committee are NOT allowed in the competition area. Please follow the guidelines in each technical standard for approved exceptions. Technical committee members may also approve exceptions onsite during the SkillsUSA Championships if deemed appropriate.

CONTEST DESCRIPTION AND SCORING

The contest will again be provided and judged courtesy of the staff of the Oklahoma Construction Industries Board with the assistance of contractors who are members of the Statewide Electrical Trades Advisory Committee.

The contest will consist of an online SkillsUSA (PDP) knowledge test, online written test covering knowledge of National Electrical Code and both residential and commercial electrical construction competencies, and hands-on components of both residential and commercial wiring, including EMT bending and proper wiring of GFCI and AFCI devices. The written test will contribute 10%, SkillsUSA (PDP) knowledge test 2.5% to the total score and the performance test the remaining 87.5%. This is consistent with the National SkillsUSA competition.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have any questions about the contest, please contact **Garrett Hall (SkillsUSA Chair)**, **Ben Morgan (Program Specialist)**.

National Technical Standards can be found on Pathful, which you can access with your professional SkillsUSA membership. Technicals are updated periodically, please check regularly.

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