

## 2020 SkillsUSA Utah Leadership and Skills Conference Clothing Judging Criteria

This year, a new procedure will be used to evaluate contestant clothing to verify compliance with the national SkillsUSA competition clothing requirements. We are asking each contest Technical chairperson and/or contest judges to verify that every contestant is wearing the official “required” competition clothing as specified in the 2020 SkillsUSA Technical Standards.

It is mandatory that one or more of the judges for each contest download the national SkillsUSA Clothing and Tools app. This “SkillsUSA: Clothing and Tools” app includes an overview, clothing requirements, and eligibility and safety guidelines for each contest. It is offered completely free of charge for students, instructors, judges and SkillsUSA business partners. The app is available in both the Apple Store: <http://apple.co/2dtlb8d> and the Google Play Store: <http://bit.ly/2e5fRec>.

Each contestants clothing must match the clothing requirements as described/shown in the technical standards and/or clothing and tools app.

During the pre-contest meeting, the required clothing must be discussed and when possible, one of the student contestants wearing the appropriate clothing should be asked to stand as an “example.” The clothing assessment should take place at the beginning of the competition. (It might be appropriate to judge the clothing during the pre-contest meeting, for example: some leadership contests.)

Tattoos: SkillsUSA Utah will follow the national conference policy on tattoos. Any tattoo that may be considered vulgar, sexual or morbid should be covered to the best of the student’s ability while competing in any SkillsUSA Utah Leadership and Skills Championship contest. Failure to comply will result in a clothing penalty.

If there are no clothing penalties, no scorecard entry/adjustment for clothing is required.

If a clothing penalty is required, **a negative point score must be entered** in the scorecard clothing penalty box according to the following list of penalties:

Improper shirt	-10
Improper pants	-10
Improper shoes	-10
Improper jacket (when required)	-10
No tie / improper tie (when required)	-5
Improper socks / nylons	-5
Unauthorized clothing (hats, vests, etc.)	-5
Offensive Tattoo that is not covered	-5

\*The **Official Black Jacket** is approved by the National Organization, is considered ‘Official Contest Clothing’ and can be worn instead of the Red Blazer, when required.