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Career & Technical
Student Organization.**

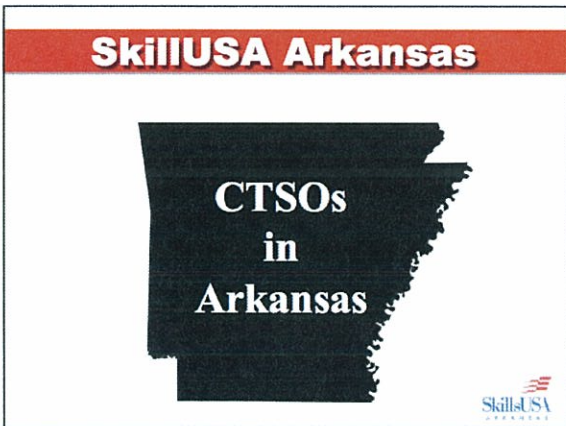


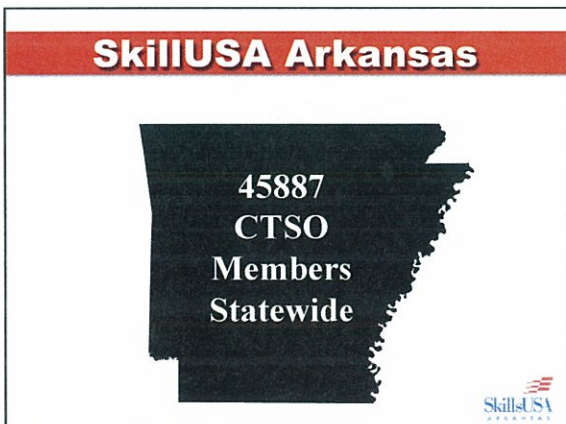
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The block contains several logos: FCCLA (Future Career Leaders of America), SkillsUSA (Champions at Work), FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), TSA (Technical Student Association), FFA (Future Farmers of America), hosa (future health professionals), and DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America). A small SkillsUSA logo is also present in the bottom right corner.







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What is SkillsUSA?

- Founded in 1965 as VICA
- SkillsUSA is a not-for-profit national association
- More than 300,000 member students and educators partnering with business and industry to ensure that America has a well-prepared skilled workforce.
- SkillsUSA has served more than 10.6 million students since 1965.

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- Technicians and skilled trade workers are two of the top three jobs employers are having trouble filling globally. (Manpower Group, Talent Shortage Survey Results, 2011)
- One quarter of America's workforce – that's 31 million people – are employed in one of the 130 occupational titles served by SkillsUSA. (Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) figures. Total workforce is 124 million)

• Welding	• Computer Technology
• Carpentry	• Broadcasting
• Plumbing	• Automotive
• Cosmetology	• Culinary
• Medical	• Criminal Justice

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- Students in Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs have a higher-than-average high school graduation rate. Nationally, the average high school graduation rate for students concentrating in CTE programs is 90% compared to an average national freshman graduation rate of 74.9%.
- In Arkansas, CTE students have an on-time graduation rate of 93% compared to 84.9% of non-CTE students.



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What does SkillsUSA do?



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- **Technical Skills**
- **Work-based Skills**
- **Personal Skills**


- It provides quality education experiences for students in leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development.
- It builds and reinforces self-confidence, work attitudes and communications skills. It emphasizes total quality at work-high ethical standards, superior work skills, life-long education, pride in the dignity of work and promotes involvement in community service.



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Events

- **Fall Leadership** – One day leadership event for students & Advisors
- **State Contest** – Two day event in Hot Springs where students from across the state compete in over 70 contests
- **National Contest** – Week long event in Louisville, Kentucky where students from across the country compete for National Honors.



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**Let's hear from the people
whose lives are touched most
by SkillsUSA...**



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