WSU Tech & Washburn Tech Signing Day

The SkillsUSA National Executive Director and the Kansas State Director along with some of the National Board of Directors traveled to Wichita, Kansas to attend WSU Tech’s Signing day. Over $100,000 of scholarships were awarded on National Career Technical Education (CTE) Signing Day to students interested in pursuing a career and technical education in aviation, health care, manufacturing, design, business or police science. This event was the fifth annual National Career Technical Education Signing Day for WSU Tech. Top CEO’s and CTE influencers were in attendance, including a keynote address by Nicholas T. Pinchuk, Chairman and Chief Executive Officers of Snap-on Incorporated. Following the keynote, over 200 local high school seniors signed their letter of intent.

Across the State of Kansas, Washburn Institute of Technology was engaging in their seventh annual National Technical Letter of Intent Signing Day on their campus. Former Dean Clark Coco started the CTE Signing Day movement seven years ago and it has become a national movement that is supported by industry partners.
CTE Day at the Capitol

Winfield High School participated in the CTE Day event at the Capitol February 17, 2020. This is an opportunity for educators and students to fill the rotunda at the Kansas Capitol with CTE displays of quality student learning experiences and to invite legislators to meet with them and view their displays.

LABETTE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY PROJECT

The Labette County High School SkillsUSA Chapter hosted an event to sign cards for soldiers and children’s Mercy Hospital patients.
2020 SkillsUSA Kansas Scholarship Applications

The SkillsUSA Kansas Scholarship Applications are now available on the resource page of the SkillsUSA Kansas website: [www.skillsusakansas.org](http://www.skillsusakansas.org) This scholarship is to help students who are pursuing a career in the skilled trades. There will be a total of six scholarships awarded. We encourage junior/seniors in high school and postsecondary members to apply for these scholarship awards of: Two bronze level award of $300 each, Two silver level award of $500 each, and Two Gold level award of $700 each. One must be an active paid member of SkillsUSA Kansas. The awards are to be used for tuition, books, or tools of the trade. Applications are due March 1, 2020.

SkillsUSA Scholarship Opportunities Now Open for Applications

Applications for several scholarships are now open to benefit SkillsUSA students in pursuit of higher education or certification in their chosen field. Help spread the word so SkillsUSA students can take full advantage of these opportunities:

- **SkillsUSA in conjunction with the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) will award four $1,000 scholarships to SkillsUSA members who are also members of NTHS. Two will go to college/postsecondary winners and two will go to high school division winners. Awards will be made directly to an accredited educational institution with an active NTNS chapter. Recipients may only receive one NTHS/SkillsUSA scholarship per lifetime. Deadline for applications is April 1. For more information and to apply:** [www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-financial-aid/national-technical-honor-society/](http://www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-financial-aid/national-technical-honor-society/)

- **Sharon Melton Myers Memorial Scholarship:** [https://skillsusa.wufoo.com/forms/sharon-melton-myers-memorial-scholarship/](https://skillsusa.wufoo.com/forms/sharon-melton-myers-memorial-scholarship/). Deadline is **April 15**.

For additional scholarship information, continually check the website at: [www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-financial-aid/](http://www.skillsusa.org/membership-resources/scholarships-financial-aid/).
TYLER LOOMIS SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is offered in the memory of Tyler Loomis. His passion for mechanics led him to Diesel Technology. Tyler was a 2013 State Gold medalist and ranked 15th in the nation at the National Championships. Tyler started his career when he was chosen for an internship at Foley Equipment in Salina, Kansas. After graduation in 2013, he worked hard to become one of their top Diesel Mechanics. Tyler leaves behind a legacy of promoting hard work and dedication to a career in Diesel Technology. Recognized for his ability to find a solution to any problem, Tyler’s desire and passion will be memorialized through the recipient of the $1,000 scholarship. Applications are being accepted now. Deadline is March 1st. Application for the scholarship may be found on the SkillsUSA Kansas website: https://www.skillsusakansas.org/resources-1.html

American Welding Society Foundation Scholarship

If you are currently enrolled, or will soon enroll, in a welding program or a related field, then consider applying for an American Welding Society Scholarship. Scholarships are available for students attending trade schools, community colleges, and four-year universities. An AWS Foundation scholarship can be the extra push that helps you fulfill your goals! Apply now at https://scholarship.aws.org/applications/

There are scholarships available at the State, District and National level from the American Welding Society Foundation.

FOR MORE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES make sure to check out the www.skillsusa.org website.
DEADLINES & DATES:

March 1  SkillsUSA Kansas Scholarship Application due
March 1  Tyler Loomis Scholarship Application due
March 1  Chapter Excellence Program (CEP) Applications due
March 1  Kansas Advisor of the Year Application due
March 1  National Alumni Pin Design Competition entries due
March 1  National Executive Board Nominations due

March 6  KSC Registration Deadline (KSC Registration must be paid by April 1st)
March 9-10  State Officer Meeting – Hutchinson
March 10  Board of Directors Meeting - Hutchinson
March 10  Contest Chair Luncheon - Hutchinson
March 31  President’s Volunteer Service Award Application due
April 1  National Technical Honor Society Scholarship Application due
April 1  National Student2Student entries due
April 15  National Sharon Melton Myers Memorial Scholarship application due
April 28 – May 1  SkillsUSA Kansas State Championships (KSC)
May 1  National #KeepCraftAlive Scholarship sponsored by Fine Homebuilding application due
May 8  National Leadership Skills Championships (NLSC) Registration due
May 8  National NLSC Pre-conference Registration due (Activate, Leverage & Engage)
May 8  National NLSC Special Needs Contestant information form due
May 8  National NLSC Courtesy Corp application due
May 15  National mikerowe WORKS Foundation Travel Scholarship applications due (depending on continued funding)
June 1-2  CTSO State Officer Training – Junction City
June 5  2020 Student Design Competition APTech/Konica Minolta
June 19-22  National Leadership Skills Championships (NLSC) Pre-Conference – Louisville, KY
June 22-26  SkillsUSA NLSC Conference – Louisville, KY
July 20  Student Leadership Development Scholarship for WLTI applications due

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**JOB POSTINGS**

**FY2021 Job Openings**

✓ SkillsUSA KS District 1 (NW) Coordinator  
✓ SkillsUSA KS District 2 (NC) Coordinator  
✓ SkillsUSA KS District 3 (NE) Coordinator  
✓ SkillsUSA KS District 4 (Wichita) Coordinator  
✓ SkillsUSA KS District 5 (SW) Coordinator  
✓ SkillsUSA KS District 6 (SC) Coordinator  
✓ SkillsUSA KS District 7 (SE) Coordinator  

*Job Description: [https://www.skillsusakansas.org/resources-1.html](https://www.skillsusakansas.org/resources-1.html)*  
*Send resume to: bwarren@ksde.org*

**March 1, 2020 Deadline**

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**COLLISION REPAIR/AUTO BODY INSTRUCTOR**

Become a part of the Northwest Tech team as a collision repair/auto body instructor and pass your skills onto the next generation entering the workforce. We are looking for a dynamic instructor with the skills and desire to revamp and grow a program with a long history at the college. The desired candidate must be able to demonstrate and integrate all aspects of collision repair and refinishing into classroom and shop curriculum. Skills required include: frame/unibody straightening, welding, plastic repair, and various types of traditional refinishing techniques. Minimum of two years of experience within the industry required. Ability to test and obtain ASE Collision Repair and Refinishing Technician certification required. Associates degree preferred. Continuing education will be provided and required. Position will remain open until filled. Read more about the Collision Repair/Auto Body program online at [www.nwktc.edu](http://www.nwktc.edu).

About Northwest Tech: Northwest Kansas Technical College (Northwest Tech) consistently achieves one of the highest student success and graduation rates in the state of Kansas. Located on the high plains in the city of Goodland, Northwest Tech is fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and maintains many program level accreditations. Northwest Tech is an Apple Distinguished School and was the first two-year college in the nation to implement a full one-to-one iPad initiative across the institution.

With nearly all of our technical programs taught in a cohort model, our students experience a significant amount of contact with faculty and staff, leading to high student success rates. We focus on hands-on education and provide a high volume of live work for our students. We have a small, highly diverse campus, with a student body of approximately 400 full-time students pursuing degrees and technical certificates.

**Compensation**

Compensation includes: 9-month faculty contract and benefits package including health insurance, KPERS retirement plan, sick leave, and more. Summer months and several holidays off. Position will remain open until filled. Submit employment application and resume to: Sherri Knitig, Vice President of Operations | 1209 Harrison Street | PO Box 668 | Goodland, KS 67735 | Email: sherri.knitig@nwktc.edu

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Click here for the most recent job listing at Koch Industries: [http://k.rfer.us/KOCHYHaMzi](http://k.rfer.us/KOCHYHaMzi) this live link is updated daily.

Please apply online at [//www.spiritaero.com/careers](//www.spiritaero.com/careers)

ICS Collision Center is now accepting applications for the following positions:
- Auto Collision Body Technician
- Restoration Body Technician

Contact Information: [https://www.icscollisioncenter.com/Contact.aspx](https://www.icscollisioncenter.com/Contact.aspx)

Archer & Co LLC is now hiring:
- Stylists
- Massage Therapist
Accepting applicants with 0-2 years of experience. Room to advance and grow income quickly.

Contact Information: [https://archerandco.mysalononline.com/Contact](https://archerandco.mysalononline.com/Contact)

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Wheat State Retreat Center is now looking for summer workers. The camp is now in partnership with Christian Retreats Network with retreats in eight States including Nebraska, Michigan, and West Virginia. They offer Christian hospitality and services for camps, retreats, and conferences. Their kitchen positions run from the last weekend of June through the end of July with possibilities of becoming a part time position throughout the year. Other positions include: Lifeguard and Summer Staff. If interested go to: [http://bit.ly/wheatstatestaff](http://bit.ly/wheatstatestaff) for more information on each job opportunity. Contact Becky Bazaldua at 316-393-4337 or email beckyb@wheatsstatetretreat.org

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