



2016 State Trading Pin Contest

Contest Guidelines

The winning design will be on this year's State Pin that will be traded at our National Conference in Louisville, KY. This contest is open to all SkillsUSA Iowa members. Multiple entries may be submitted.

1. The following text must appear on the pin: SkillsUSA Iowa 2016.
2. The SkillsUSA emblem or SkillsUSA logo should not appear on the pin.
3. The pin design must be the original and creative work of the contestant. All copyright laws must be followed in the creation of the design.
4. Preferably, entries will be created in a design software package such as Illustrator, Photoshop or other comparable software. Entries may also be hand-drawn, painted or rendered in colored pencils or markers.
5. The design must indicate and show the finished shape of the pin.
6. No more than four (4) colors may be used. All lettering must be clearly legible.
7. Photographic images may be used only if they are not copyrighted, and they can be clearly seen when reduced to the finished pin size.
8. Finished size of the pin will be 1 inch wide by 1 inch tall.
9. The design will become the property of SkillsUSA Iowa. Changes may be made to accommodate production guidelines.

All entries must be submitted in the following manner:

1. The first page will be a cover page with the following information:
 - Name of the contest: 2016 State Pin Contest
 - Contestants name
 - Advisors name
 - School Name and Address
2. The second page should show the design with two versions on a single page. The larger version must be 7" wide or 7" tall for judging. The smaller version should be 1" wide or 1" tall to show how the actual pin will look at reproduction size. Indicate the specific color names in writing. Color names may be designated on a transparent overlay sheet.
3. The third page is a copy of contestants resume.
4. All of the pages must be on "8 1/2 x 11" plain white paper.

The top 3 design winners will receive recognition and medals at the state conference.

All designs must be turned into the State Conference registration desk in the FFA Building by 4:00 pm on Thursday, April 28, 2016