



Criminal Justice

2023 State Fair
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DATE: Monday, September 25, 2023

TIME: 10:00 a.m. Registration
11:00 a.m. Contest

PLACE: State Fairgrounds at The Meadows in Doswell, VA, Caroline County

PURPOSE OF COMPETITION:

The two events will evaluate each contestant's preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of law enforcement and/or public safety.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

Each contestant must work in a team of two without assistance from instructors, other contestants or observers. The judging criteria will be based on the students' knowledge of the Code of Virginia, Officer Safety, Professionalism, and Communication skills.

TOOLS AND MATERIALS REQUIRED BY CONTESTANTS:

- Small pocket notebook for field notes
- Belt and training holster (only to be worn during time contestant is competing)
- Pen
- Handcuffs, handcuff key, and handcuff case
- Flashlight

Note: No real firearms and/or ammunition permitted

NUMBER OF TEAMS: Two teams of two per school.

ENTRY FEE: \$40.00 per team. (\$20.00 per contestant)

Please register on-line at www.skillsusava.org, go to Event, State Fair and then to Competitions.

DEADLINE: Schools must register the number of teams by September 15, 2023. Substitutions may be made the day of the competition.

- *Participants must have a Student Competition Ticket to enter the Fairgrounds unless they are already at the Fair for another competition.*
- *Teachers are responsible for ordering tickets online directly from the State Fair Ticket Office using a State Fair Student Competition Ticket Order link, which can be found on-line at www.skillsusava.org under 'State Fair'*
- *State Fair tickets must be ordered online so everyone may enter near contest site (Gate 2) You will be allowed to park in this area with advance tickets. No picking up tickets on site.*

DRESS CODE: Official light blue SkillsUSA work shirt; navy pants; and black, brown or tan leather work shoes. Skirts and high-heeled shoes are not permitted.

(Optional) A collared shirt (polo style) and appropriate pants, BDU's or khaki slacks (no shorts) should be worn; including leather work shoes (leather or canvas athletic shoes are not acceptable). School identification or name pins must be removed or covered during competition. *No agency name or insignia should be visible on any clothing.*

Note: Cell phones, smart watches, or any communication device will not be allowed to be used in contestant waiting area or scenario. Violation of this rule could result in disqualification.

SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR CONTESTANTS: Observation of the scenarios will be allowed, however, any contact with a contestant before or during the competition could result in disqualification.

AWARDS: Awards will be presented at the contest site.