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| Contest | Prepared Speech |
| Skill Performance | The competition requires students to deliver a five- to seven-minute prepared speech based on the annual SkillsUSA competition theme. Competitors are evaluated on their ability to present thoughts relating to the central theme clearly and effectively, and are rated on voice, mechanics and platform deportment.  The Speech will be 5-7 minutes with point deductions for 30 second blocks for time over or under the allotted time.  No visuals, props, notecards will be permitted during the speech. |
| Team/Ind | Individual |
| Limits | 3 Per School |
| Date/Location/Start Time | February 26; Tuba City HS; Lecture Hall #1212; 9:30am; Contestants not in contest area at the start of contest may be disqualified. Students must return at posted time for final round if required. |
| Attire | Contest requires Official Dress (red blazer) or business attire.  (T-Shirts and Jeans are NOT acceptable and may be penalized)  Contestants may not wear any attire that shows school name |
| Job Packet | Resume, Cover letter and Job application must be submitted prior to contest start time for judging. |
| Facilitator Contact | Ted Goodluck Ted@nativected.org |
| Supplied by Tech Committee | a. Stopwatch  b. Timecards |
| Supplied by Contestant | All competitors must submit a one-page copy of the speech to the committee prior to competition. Include the name of the competitor, School, CTE program, and Speech title. |
| Other | Speech prompt:  The theme “SkillsUSA: Ignite Your Potential. When you ignite your potential through SkillsUSA, you’re lighting more than your own path. You’re illuminating the path of others on their unique journey toward becoming skilled professionals, career-ready leaders, and responsible community members. Name three ways that SkillsUSA helped you gain greater confidence to achieve your goals. |