



NLSC 2026 Travel Scholarships

SkillsUSA is proud to announce along with our partners National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC) travel grant opportunities for SkillsUSA members. Eligible students can apply for up to \$1,500 to assist in attending the NLSC (travel, lodging and registration).

Bosch Community Fund



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Immersive Construction Experience Travel Grant
(Open ONLY to Non-Competitors)

The NLSC 2026 Immersive Construction Experience Travel Grant is sponsored by the SkillsUSA partner Bosch Community Fund. Travel grants provided by Bosch Community Fund will help to reduce a student's cost to attend NLSC, eliminating barriers to participation in the immersive experience, which places SkillsUSA members inside real-world construction scenarios.

This high impact, three day immersive experience blends career exploration with applied learning across today's most in demand construction fields. Through hands on, real world construction scenarios, SkillsUSA members work alongside industry professionals to build confidence, clarify career goals, and strengthen job readiness.

Participants leave the experience with clearer career direction and a stronger occupational identity, increased confidence in both technical and professional skills, direct connections with construction industry professionals, and the potential to earn an industry recognized credential.

Does your chapter have a student competing? Invite additional chapter members to participate in this experience! Non-competing students will be fully immersed in hands-on learning and fun—and their participation can help offset the chapter's overall student costs.

Open to high school and college postsecondary members enrolled in the Building Trades and Renovations, Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC and Plumbing program areas. Application opens February 23 and closes April 24 (Phase 1) and May 15 (Phase 2). [Full details are available through the Immersive Experience Construction application.](#)

- ❖ This scholarship is being offered in two phases to ensure all members have an equal opportunity to apply and access the funds. Full details about each phase are available [here](#).

Ford Philanthropy NLSC Travel Grant

In partnership with Ford Philanthropy, SkillsUSA is proud to announce this travel grant opportunity to support and invest in SkillsUSA members attending the 2026 National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC). This initiative reflects Ford Philanthropy's commitment to moving people forward and upward while helping build a better world today and in the future.

This opportunity is open to high school and postsecondary NLSC competitors in select competition areas. [Full eligibility details are available in the application.](#)

Preference will be given to competitors from the following states: Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, New York, Ohio, and Tennessee.

Eligible members may apply for up to \$1,500 to assist with attending the 2026 National Leadership and Skills Conference. Recipients must agree to use the funds for reasonable and appropriate costs related to travel, lodging, and registration, as outlined in the online application.

The application opens February 23 and closes April 24 for Phase 1 and May 15 for Phase 2, based on state leadership and skills conference dates.

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Harbor Freight Tools For Schools

In partnership with Harbor Freight Tools for Schools, SkillsUSA is proud to announce this scholarship opportunity for SkillsUSA high school members competing at the 2026 National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC) in specific skilled trades or leadership competitions.

Eligible members can apply to receive up to \$1,500 to assist in attending the 2026 NLSC. Recipients of scholarship funds must agree to use the funds for reasonable and appropriate costs of travel, lodging, and the cost of registration for the 2026 NLSC. [Full details are available via the online application.](#) Application opens February 23 and closes April 24 (Phase 1) and May 15 (Phase 2).

- ❖ This scholarship is being offered in two phases to ensure all members have an equal opportunity to apply and access the funds. Full details about each phase are available [here](#).

HYUNDAI Hyundai NLSC Travel Grant

In partnership with Hyundai, SkillsUSA is proud to announce this scholarship opportunity for SkillsUSA high school and college-postsecondary members competing at the 2026 National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC) in Auto Service Technology or Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair competitions.

Eligible members can apply to receive up to \$1,500 to assist in attending the 2026 NLSC. Recipients of scholarship funds must agree to use the funds for reasonable and appropriate costs of travel, lodging, and the cost of registration for the 2025 NLSC, as described in the online [application](#). Application opens February 23 and closes April 24 (Phase 1) and May 15 (Phase 2).

- ❖ This scholarship is being offered in two phases to ensure all members have an equal opportunity to apply and access the funds. Full details about each phase are available [here](#).



Adam Schoolcraft Memorial NLSC Travel Grant (Open to Middle School ONLY)

Adam was a bright, kind, and curious 11-year-old who dreamed of becoming a famous YouTuber. This memorial scholarship was created to honor his life and spirit by sending a middle school student to the SkillsUSA National Leadership & Skills Conference, an experience Adam was excited to attend.

Eligible to middle school members who have a desire to explore future career opportunities. Recipient of the scholarship must agree to use the funds for reasonable and appropriate costs of travel, lodging, and the cost of registration for the 2026 NLSC, as described in the online [application](#). Application opens February 23 and closes April 24 (Phase 1) and May 15 (Phase 2).

- ❖ This scholarship is being offered in two phases to ensure all members have an equal opportunity to apply and access the funds. Full details about each phase are available [here](#).