



**SkillsUSA**

**- Membership Packet -**

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- Introduction -

#### What does it mean to be a SkillsUSA & Supermileage Member?

Watertown High School SkillsUSA members are part of a nationwide movement to increase stronger employability skills. With over 300,000 members nationwide, SkillsUSA gives members the opportunity to compete in contests within Technology Education, including; Engineering, Welding, Photography, Drafting, Cabinetry, Screen Printing, Video Production, and much much more!

With Watertown's SkillsUSA chapter being the second largest in Wisconsin, joining the organization would be a great way to strengthen your skills both hands on and leadership, while meeting other people interested in the same careers as you! Being a SkillsUSA and Supermileage member, students travel to various events around Wisconsin and the Mid-west. This includes Districts, Regionals, State and Nationals for SkillsUSA and 3+ Electrathon Challenges in Wisconsin, Iowa and Michigan.

Watertown SkillsUSA is a student organization, where the students are in charge of the organization! The advisor assists the chapter in achieving their yearly activities, trips, fundraising, meetings and membership recruiting. Being a member and a leader in the organization is GREAT college and career preparation for building communication and leadership skills in High School!

#### What does a member do?

Each member has the opportunity to prepare themselves for the world of work, through many different activities and competitions. The organization as a whole participates in many activities from trips, competitions, tours, fundraisers, socials, meetings and community service projects. Members are expected to participate in the organization to the level they decide to commit. Each member is able to choose their level of commitment, depending on the competitions they desire to attend.

SkillsUSA Members choose contests to compete in at Districts, Regionals, State and National Conferences. Such contests like Screen Printing, participants arrive at the contest site and set up a screen properly to run a t-shirt job with multiple colors. Contests like Drafting, students bring a computer from school and are given a limited amount of time to complete a CAD set of drawings, judged by industry. CO2 dragsters is a contest where students build their car ahead of time at school, and show up to race them against the other competitors.

Supermileage Members put in weekly time on designing, building, testing and racing their Electrathon Vehicle for the entire year. This team puts their skills to the pavement through CAD, Welding, Machining, Electronics, and much more in the lab! Members are expected to put in time on the team to be eligible for travel to the challenges in April and May.

The organization meets once a month to discuss upcoming events, vote on topics, and have socials as an organization. Members are asked to attend the monthly meetings, as they have a say in the organization with the officer team running the chapter. Members are also asked to participate in all fundraisers to help bring cost of the trips to a minimum for all members.

#### Who is eligible to be a member?

An eligible member is ANYONE who is interested in the technology and engineering careers. To become considered a member the student is to fill out the membership packet and present the paid dues to the bookkeeper.

#### What are the benefits of joining SkillsUSA?

Beyond the above benefits of improving skills, learning technologies, attending trips, and much more! Members will receive both a SkillsUSA T-shirt for the 2011-12 school year. (Dues must be paid for these benefits)



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**Yearly Trips and Costs for average Wttn SkillsUSA Member:** *(See Calendar for Exact Dates) (This is subject to change)*

- \* **Membership Dues (SkillsUSA & Supermileage Together)** . . . . . **\$25.00**
  - \* Includes State and National SkillsUSA Memberships
  - \* Includes a SkillsUSA/Supermileage T-Shirt
  - \* Membership Dues is required for eligibility to attend ANY trips
  - \* Membership Dues is required for eligibility to make any VOTES!
  
- \* **WI Supermileage @ Wisconsin Dells Raceway (WI Dells, WI)** . . . . . **\$40.00**
  - \* October TBA
  - \* This is an overnight trip, food is not included in fee.
  - \* We will be testing last year's car(s)
  
- \* **SkillsUSA Mid-America Leadership Conference (Nebraska)** . . . . . **\$100.00**
  - \* Fundraising may bring this cost down!!! (Actual cost is \$175.00)
  - \* October TBA (This trip is for the Officer Team)
  - \* Includes ALL meals, hotel room and travel fees.
  - \* This is the SINGLE BEST event SkillsUSA has to offer!
  - \* Students from all over US run an entire chapter of events in one week!
  
- \* **SkillsUSA District Conference (Portage HS)** . . . . . **\$20.00**
  - \* This will be a small "area" conference for SkillsUSA Contests.
  - \* Dates TBA (November/December)
  - \* Includes Dinner cost.
  
- \* **SkillsUSA Regional Conference (UW-Stout OR Southwest Tech College)** . . . . . **\$40.00**
  - \* This is a larger opportunity to compete in SkillsUSA in Wisconsin.
  - \* This is an overnight trip, food is not included in fee.
  
- \* **SkillsUSA State Conference (WI Dells, WI – Chula Vista Resort)** . . . . . **\$75.00**
  - \* April, Tuesday & Wednesday
  - \* This is an overnight trip, food is not included in fee.
  - \* Fundraising may bring this cost down!!! (Actual costs is \$80.00+)
  
- \* **WI Supermileage @ Road America (Elkhart Lake, WI)** . . . . . **\$40.00**
  - \* Dates have not been set, though will be Mid May.
  - \* This is an overnight trip, food is not included in fee.
  
- \* **WI Supermileage @ Fox Valley Technical College (Appleton, WI)** . . . . . **\$40.00**
  - \* Dates have not been set, though will be late April-Early May
  - \* This is an overnight trip, food is not included in fee.
  
- \* **Iowa Electrathon @ Hawkeye Downs Raceway (Cedar Rapids, IA).** . . . . . **\$40.00**
  - \* Dates have not been set, though will be late April-Early May
  - \* This is an overnight trip, food is not included in fee.
  
- \* **Michigan Electrathon @ Berlin Raceway (Marne, MI)** . . . . . **\$40.00**
  - \* Dates have not been set, though will be late April-Early May
  - \* This is an overnight trip, food is not included in fee.
  
- \* **Watertown Supermileage Team Polos** . . . . . **\$35.00**
  - \* These will be designed and purchased in the spring
  
- \* **SkillsUSA/Supermileage Spring Banquet** . . . . . **\$15.00**
  - \* June, 5pm – 8pm
  - \* Dinner, Awards, Sponsors, Family, etc...



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### SkillsUSA/Supermileage Membership Packet

- Member Policies -

READ THESE POLICIES CLOSELY as you will be held to them as a paid member of SkillsUSA/Supermileage at Watertown High School. By signing the attached "Member Information" page, you and your parent/guardian agree to the below policies of the organization.

#### Academic Code

Any student member as part of SkillsUSA or its counterpart, Supermileage, will adhere to an "Academic Code" as follows. Members will be in good standing for grades and behavior for the Watertown Unified School District. If a student shall fall **below a C-** on any report card they shall be placed on "ineligible" as a member of the organization. While any student is ineligible, they are not permissible to travel with the organization for any events / labs / competitions / races / etc that the organization participates in. The student may participate with general membership meetings and in school or after school worktime / practice or in-town social events. For a member to be taken off the ineligible list, they must do one of two things. Show that their complete grades list has risen above a C- for all courses a minimum of 7 days prior to any trip OR have all grades above a C- at the next grade reporting time. If a student receives Ineligible status as a member, that information is confidential between the; advisor, administration, member and parents/guardians and will have no effect on that students future status beyond this organization.

#### Registrations, Fees & Refunds

ALL "out of town" events affiliated with Watertown SkillsUSA & Supermileage will encumber a School District Permission Slip to be completed, signed and returned prior to the trip with parent/guardian permission. Student members will be ineligible to attend any Watertown SkillsUSA & Supermileage trips that they have not submitted a completed Permission Slip for. ALSO, many Watertown SkillsUSA & Supermileage trips will encumber fees to cover the costs of; travel, rooming, food, registration and more. Permission slips and possible support letters for each trip will include these fees for parents/guardians and students to see prior to submitting. Watertown SkillsUSA & Supermileage WILL PLACE STUDENT FEES WITH THE BOOKKEEPER upon receiving the students completed permission slip for each event/trip. Students WILL BE RESPONSIBLE for these fees after submitted regardless of their attendance to the event/trip unless proper prior contact was made and documented with the Advisor and approved. Many events Watertown SkillsUSA & Supermileage attends require 2 months pre-registration & payment... It will also be policy for Watertown SkillsUSA for student members to keep their fees up-to-date for payments. Any student member that encumbers a fee statement for Watertown SkillsUSA in excess of \$100.00 may be held "ineligible" for any future trips until their balance is paid down below \$100.00.

#### Lettering Process

Any student member of SkillsUSA/Supermileage is eligible to obtain a Letter for their participation in the organization every year, which can be displayed on a "Letterman's Jacket" if desired. Per approved process through Watertown High School in Spring of 2008, see the attached Lettering Points Chart for reference of what is needed to obtain such a letter. SkillsUSA/Supermileage is placing this responsibility on the shoulders of its members through "Timecards" located in Mr. Domer's room (W139). Each activity attended, be it a meeting, worknight, trip or parade, the members need to fill out their date, hours and a signature to be eligible for those hours in the organization. If the member does not take the time to fill their timecards out, the officers and advisor will not be responsible for those lost hours and they will not be "guessed" in at the end of the year.



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- Member Information -

#### Student Information

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Locker # \_\_\_\_\_ School ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Student Email \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ Childhood Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

#### Home-Parent-Guardian Information

Address \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. Box # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

(h) Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent / Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent / Guardian Email \_\_\_\_\_

Other Info \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, you verify that all above information is correct. You also have read and agree to the Academic Code for the 2011-12 School Year. By signing below, you also give permission for SkillsUSA, Supermileage or Watertown High School to use any photos or video of you involved in SkillsUSA or Supermileage for promotional purposes such as; pamphlets, posters, website, newsletters, articles, etc...

_____	_____
<i>Student Member's Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
_____	_____
<i>Member's Parent/Guardian Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

**Turn this form and your Membership Dues of \$25.00 to Mrs. Heiden (WHS Book-Keeper)**  
 Checks may be written out to "WHS SkillsUSA"



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Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Since: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues:	
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Calendar:	
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Time Card	
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T-Shirt:	
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Banquet:	
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