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Dear High School Construction Instructors,

We are excited to share a new opportunity that both of our organizations are embracing to help bring more opportunities for construction students to compete for bids to the SkillsUSA Georgia State Leadership & Skills Conference (SLSC) in February 2024.

SkillsUSA students will now compete at the AGC Georgia Skills Challenges (www.agcga.org/skills) as their bid to SkillsUSA Georgia's SLSC. While membership in SkillsUSA Georgia is not a requirement for competing in the AGC Georgia Skills Challenge series, students who hold a membership are afforded an opportunity to qualify in the core five construction trade competitions -- Carpentry, Electrical Construction Wiring, Masonry, Plumbing and Welding -- during one of the eight events offered this fall around our state. This new arrangement will allow more students per school the opportunity to compete regionally for a bid to SLSC and will allow for more competition spots at SLSC.

To help you understand this opportunity, we developed a comprehensive Frequently Asked Questions (www.agcga.org/skillsfaq) document, along with a newly designed map (www.agcga.org/skillsmap) showing where individual schools will be allowed to compete for the opportunity to advance to the state level.

Before your 2022-2023 school year comes to an end, we strongly encourage you to reach out to your assigned regional host contractor (<https://shorturl.at/pCO07>) (**page 2**) and ask to be penciled in on the registration list for your respective Home Region event. It will be critical for you to be in contact with your Home Region's primary contact to ensure your school meets registration deadlines this fall.

Leadership from both SkillsUSA Georgia and AGC Georgia are committed to working together to make the fall 2023 Skills Challenges and the SkillsUSA Georgia regional qualifying a great experience for all our state's construction instructors and their talented students.

If you have additional questions once you have reviewed the provided information, please connect with:

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Sincerely,



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