

# SkillsUSA Minnesota

## ADVISOR OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

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### **Previous recipients of the "Advisor of the Year" award are:**

#### **Secondary/High School Division**

1993 Secondary	Cindy Walters, Carver-Scott Educational Cooperative
1994 Secondary	John Brinkman, Lake City High School
1995 Secondary	Tod Hoaby, HTC-Eden Prairie
1996 Secondary	Don Anderson, Coon Rapids High School
1997 Secondary	Nick Gerulli, Roseau HS ** ( <i>Also named Regional &amp; National Advisor of the Year</i> )
1998 Secondary	Jennifer Busse, Carver-Scott Educational Cooperative
1999 Secondary	Kevin Chederquist, Wright Technical Center
2000 Secondary	Tyler Hamerlik, Technical High School
2001 Secondary	Jennifer Polz, Wayzata High School
2002 Secondary	Bill Voigt, Coon Rapids High School
2003 Secondary	Gary Komaniecki, Mayo High School
2004 Secondary	Andy Thul, Intermediate District 287
2005 Secondary	Katrina Walter, Dakota County Secondary Technical Center
2006 Secondary	Kevin Chederquist, Kennedy High School
2007 Secondary	Mark Johansen, Red Wing High School
2008 Secondary	Jennifer Leff, Carver-Scott Educational Cooperative ** ( <i>Also named Regional Advisor of the Year</i> )
2009 Secondary	Ed Burns, Cambridge High School
2010 Secondary	Scott Etzel, John F. Kennedy High School
2011 Secondary	David Fuller, Carver-Scott Educational Cooperative
2012 Secondary	Carrie Wilson-Smith, Dakota Ridge High School
2013 Secondary	Craig Knippel, Austin High School
2014 Secondary	William Garceau, Technical High School
2015 Secondary	Lynn Nelson, Mounds View High School ** ( <i>Also named Regional Advisor of the Year</i> )
2016 Secondary	John Raasch, SouthWest Metro Educational Cooperative
2017 Secondary	Joan Berkland, SouthWest Metro Intermediate District
2018 Secondary	Michael Albers, Stillwater Transition
2019 Secondary	
2020 Secondary	
2021 Secondary	
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2023 Secondary	
2024 Secondary	
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#### **College/Post Secondary Division**

1993 Post Secondary	Arlene Retzer, Northeast Metro TC
1994 Post Secondary	Ray Engelland, Willmar TC
1995 Post Secondary	Bob Knudtson, NWTC-Moorhead
1996 Post Secondary	Todd Huxford, SCTC-Mankato
1997 Post Secondary	Dennis Regan, HTC-Eden Prairie
1998 Post Secondary	Dave Mensing, HTC-Eden Prairie
1999 Post Secondary	Les Zimmerman, Alexandria Technical College
2000 Post Secondary	Mark Lindemann, Alexandria Technical College
2001 Post Secondary	Liz Madsen, SCTC - Mankato
2002 Post Secondary	Larry Boser, Dakota County Technical College
2003 Post-Secondary	David Yantos, HTC-Brooklyn Park
2004 Post-Secondary	Delores Blaeser, St. Paul College
2005 Post-Secondary	Terry Brodehl, HTC- Eden Prairie
2006 Post-Secondary	Sherri Randt, Alexandria Technical College
2007 Post-Secondary	Dave Stuessy, Alexandria Technical College
2008 Post-Secondary	Dale Buchholz, Alexandria Technical College
2009 Post-Secondary	Jeff Fischer, South Central College- North Mankato
2010 Post-Secondary	Thom Costa, Century College
2011 Post-Secondary	Tom Wilker, Riverland Community College- Austin
2012 Post-Secondary	Keith Setley, Saint Paul College
2013 Post-Secondary	David Malone, Alexandria Technical and Community College
2014 Post-Secondary	Todd Huxford, South Central College-North Mankato <sup>**</sup> <i>(Also named Regional Advisor of the Year)</i>
2015 Post-Secondary	Chad Kohls, Alexandria Technical and Community College
2016 Post-Secondary	Dawn Goebel, Century College
2017 Post-Secondary	Ronald Gruenes, Dakota County Technical College
2018 Post-Secondary	
2019 Post-Secondary	
2020 Post-Secondary	
2021 Post-Secondary	
2022 Post-Secondary	
2023 Post-Secondary	
2024 Post-Secondary	
2025 Post-Secondary	



# **SkillsUSA MINNESOTA ADVISOR OF THE YEAR**

This is your chance to honor one of your colleagues or teachers. Minnesota will once again select an Advisor of the Year for secondary/high school and college/post secondary divisions. State winners will be announced at our Sunday Skill Conference Awards and sent on for Regional and then National Competition.

## **CRITERIA:**

This award will be presented to secondary/ high school and/or post secondary educators involved in Trade, Industrial, Technical, or Health Occupations courses, and who have achieved prominence at local, state, or national levels. Two state awards, one regional award and one national award will be presented annually.

## **ELIGIBILITY:**

Individuals who are currently employed as full-time classroom / laboratory teachers and / or co-op coordinators in a vocational-technical education program, or persons who are not classroom teachers, but have been designated by their school administration as the SkillsUSA advisor (coordinator) for their school, are eligible recipients for this award. Contributions and achievements with SkillsUSA on which the nomination is based must have been within the past ten years. The nominee must be a paid professional member of SkillsUSA and have 3 years of experiences as an advisor / teacher.

## **NOMINATION:**

To nominate a fellow advisor, please complete the following form. Submit the form and a **maximum** of 2 letters of additional support or recommendation for the nominee. Forms and letters should be sent to:

SkillsUSA Minnesota  
[Executive.Director@mnskillsusa.org](mailto:Executive.Director@mnskillsusa.org)

or  
401 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Chaska, MN 55318

# **DEADLINE: March 1<sup>st</sup>, of the current year!**

**NOMINATION FORM**

**SkillsUSA MINNESOTA - ADVISOR OF THE YEAR**

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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School & Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School/College/Post Secondary: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years as an Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominators Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominators Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBMIT FORM AND A MAXIMUM OF TWO LETTERS OF ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
BEFORE MARCH 1<sup>st</sup>, of the CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR.**

# **OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF NOMINEE**

Describe in the space provided below the contributions and achievements of the nominee that have advanced SkillsUSA in the nominee's school, region, and/or nation. You may also describe how the nominee has advanced vocational education in his/her occupational area.

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**Significant Positions Held: (in education or SkillsUSA)**

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**Honors and/or Recognition:**

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**Professional Memberships: (include offices held)**

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**Civic, Fraternal, Activities, Etc.**

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**Other specialized SkillsUSA activities; such as community service, CEP, safety projects, or any other activity above and beyond the call of duty.**

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