Scope of the Contest
The contest is defined by industry standards as identified by SkillsUSA technical committee.

Knowledge Performance
The contest will include a Resume, Portfolio, and Video demonstrating the use of crime scene photography, how to properly search for, collect and remove physical evidence from a crime scene, draw a crime scene sketch using proper measurements, symbols and labels.

Contestant number must be visible at all times.

Contest Information (All items must be received by due date)

- **PDF Resume**
  - Upload one file with all contestant’s one-page resume’s and include the digital link(s) to Portfolio and Zoom Recording

- **Portfolio to include:**
  - Submit all Crime Scene Documentation including:
    1. Crime Scene Report
    2. Entry Log
    3. Crime Scene Log
    4. Photography Log
    5. Finished Diagram
    6. Crime Scene Photographs
    7. Photograph of a lifted fingerprint (front and back side) from a piece of evidence
    8. Photograph of a packaged piece of evident (front and back side) brown sack/container
    9. Drawing of Crime Scene (Use information from video to replicate and draw the crime scene)

  **Link to Crime Scene Investigation Scenario** [https://youtu.be/qZiECW9KK3s](https://youtu.be/qZiECW9KK3s)
  - Tennessee is also using this link.
  - ***New York Contestants will not be Preforming Part 2 as described in the video***

- **Video of Demonstrated Procedures**
  - Reconstruct a crime scene
    - Launch a Zoom Session and join in two cell phones with quality cameras
    - One camera should be tight on the contestants and the second camera should be distanced approximately 6-10 ft. from contestant
    - Record the entire demonstration from beginning to end without edits. Make sure that captured audio is high quality for judge’s review. No music should be included.
    - Narrate your actions/steps while you are performing them. Verbalize your process.
    - Your complete video will include showing contestants diagramming the crime scene, photographing the crime scene, fingerprinting a piece of evidence, and packaging the evidence from the crime scene.
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Scoring Information
The following pre-submission items will be judged by industry professionals prior to virtual in-person Zoom session

1. Resume with embedded video link (s)
2. Portfolio with written Crime Scene Documentation
3. Skill demonstration video with narration of steps taken throughout the process

Crime Scene Scenario:

- Lt. Frank Ragains is your First Responding Officer
- Dispatched on December 18, 2020, 8:00 a.m. to 400 Myatt Drive, Nashville, TN to a possible stabbing scene
- Lt. Ragains arrived at 8:08 a.m.
- He was met by the paramedics (MACO Unit #2) who were rushing out the door with the victim on a gurney.
- Victim is a White Male, John Doe, DOB April 4, 2000
- Stabbed in the chest area
- The crime scene was a very empty room. Nothing in the crime scene except four 4 articles of evidence including:
  1. Shirt that appeared to be wet
  2. Knife
  3. Glove
  4. Cup

Reconstruct the crime scene with the four pieces of evidence placed in the exact positions provided in the video. Create a diagram, photograph, lift a fingerprint, and package one piece of evidence from the crime scene. Submit all documentation and video of process as embedded links in your resume.
NYS Crime Scene Investigation (Virtual)

**Purpose**
To evaluate a team's ability to conduct a crime scene investigation.

**Eligibility**
Open to a team of three active SkillsUSA members enrolled in programs with law enforcement as the occupational objective. All team members must be from the same SkillsUSA chapter.

**Clothing Requirements**

Contest Clothing Notes (Apply ONLY to Virtual Competitions):
- Trade Appropriate
  - Business Casual.
- Clothing must meet industry safety standards.
- No identification of the contestant, school or state is allowed on clothing.
- No offensive, vulgar or inappropriate images or text are allowed on contestants clothing.
- No shorts or sleeveless shirts are allowed.
- Skirts must be at least knee-length.
- Proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be worn by contestant to meet Note: Safety glasses with side shields or goggles (prescription glasses may be used only if they are equipped with side shields. If not, they must be covered with goggles).

- Scoring deductions may only be given and/or disqualification of contestant if clothing safety standards are not met.

**Equipment and Materials**
Supplied by the contestant:
1. Computer with high-speed internet capability and camera to use applications such as Zoom, Teams, etc. The minimum recommended internet bandwidth speeds for joining Zoom meetings, accessing on-demand curriculum and other online operations is 2.0 Mbps up and down. You can test your current internet speeds by following this link: https://www.speedtest.net/. Allow the page to load and click on GO.
2. A secondary camera(s) may be required to provide judges with the ability to view contestants from different angles. Additional camera requirements will be located on the NYS SkillsUSA website.
3. A contest Proctor will be required to be on site to assist judges. A local industry expert is preferred to serve as the Proctor and shall not be an individual that has been involved with the training of the contestant(s). The Proctor will serve as the onsite 'hands and eyes' for the judges. Proctor will follow instructions from the judges for safety and operations related to the competition. Proctor may be asked by judges to perform several tasks such as operating a portable camera to show specific components or steps, measure parts, or any task that will provide judges with information needed to assist in accurate scoring of the contestant’s work or presentation. However, the Proctor shall
not serve as a judge nor have any influence on contestant scores.

4. The contestants instructor or advisor shall be on site to observe all competition activities to ensure a safe and healthy competition experience for all participants. That instructor or advisor will not be allowed to interact or interfere with the competitor unless a safety issue arises that requires interaction. Any other support or interaction between the contestant and the instructor/advisor will result in disqualification.

5. All competitors must create a one-page résumé and submit an electronic copy to the technical committee chair. Website will be provided by April 1, 2021.

6. Crime scene

7. Crime scene kit containing materials necessary to conduct a crime scene investigation, e.g., fingerprint cards, brushes, powder, crime scene tape, etc.

8. Small pocket notebook for field notes
9. Pens and pencils
10. Handcuffs and handcuff case
11. Flashlight
12. Digital camera (any style — quality of photography will not be judged)

13. All competitors must create a one-page résumé and submit a hard copy to the technical committee chair at orientation. Failure to do so will result in a 10-point penalty.

14. Safety glasses with side shields or goggles (prescription glasses with side shields. If not, they must be covered with goggles). Note: Safety eyewear must be available, but use will depend on the scenario.

**Scope of the Contest**

The contest assesses the ability to perform skills related to the crime scene procedures as outlined in *Criminal Investigation*, Seventh Edition, by Bennett and Hess and guidelines as set forth by the SkillsUSA technical committee.

**Skills Performance**

The contest will include activities that simulate situations encountered by criminal investigation professionals.

**Contest Guidelines**

1. Contestants must work together as a team without assistance from instructors, other contestants or observers.

**Standards and Competencies**

*Note for Virtual Competitions:*

Contestants may not be required to perform all the standards and competencies listed in this section. However, contestants should be prepared to perform components in all areas. Prior to the competition, the technical committee may determine which standards and competencies contestants will be perform for the virtual contests. The technical committee will determine if additional information is needed for contestants prior to the competition. These changes will be posted on the NYS Skills USA website.

**CSI 1.0** — Demonstrate or explain activities prior to conducting a crime scene search

1. Obtain information from the responding officer and secure the scene
2. Explain and demonstrate knowledge and use of constitutional law governing search and seizure
3. Demonstrate proper procedures for checking vital signs of a victim and certifying death of a victim
CSI 2.0 — Explain and demonstrate the use of crime scene photography
  2.1 Demonstrate proper crime scene photography
  2.2 Document photographs taken at the crime scene

CSI 3.0 — Properly search for, collect and remove physical evidence from a crime scene
  3.1 Explain and demonstrate appropriate search method to use
  3.2 Properly flag all evidence
  3.3 Explain methods for collecting DNA evidence
  3.4 Explain and demonstrate proper bagging and marking of all evidence

CSI 4.0 — Draw a crime scene sketch using proper measurements, symbols and labels
  4.1 Demonstrate proper use of measurements
  4.2 Demonstrate the proper use of symbols and labels

CSI 5.0 — Apply proper procedures for dusting a crime scene for collecting latent fingerprints
  5.1 Demonstrate the ability to properly lift and mount a latent fingerprint from a designated item of evidence
  5.2 Demonstrate the proper procedure for marking a latent fingerprint card

CSI 6.0 — Release a crime scene properly and legally
  6.1 Demonstrate the ability to prepare an evidence inventory
  6.2 Demonstrate the ability to remove all evidence and equipment from crime scene

CSI 7.0 — Work together as a professional team to conduct a crime scene investigation
  7.1 Demonstrate professional bearing and demeanor
  7.2 Demonstrate the ability to assign team members tasks equal to their aptitude