



To: ECTS Foundation
From: Donna Erdman, ECTS SkillsUSA Advisor
Re: Request for funds for SkillsUSA
Date: December 12, 1007

On behalf of the Erie County Technical School Chapter of SkillsUSA, I would like to request \$5000.00 from the ECTS Foundation to be transferred to the Students Activities Account/SkillsUSA to help with the operating costs of ECTS SkillsUSA.

ECTS SkillsUSA has been operating with an extremely tight budget for the past couple of years, and although the students have attempted fund-raising, we find that it has become difficult due to the overwhelming number of organizations at the sending schools that continually stage fund-raising activities. ECTS SkillsUSA still has plans for additional fund-raising activities throughout the rest of the school year, but with the District SkillsUSA competition fast approaching, and the state competition after that, we are in need of funds to pay for these upcoming activities and others.

SkillsUSA is dedicated to building champions for America's workforce and it is the only organization for students in technical, skilled, and service careers. SkillsUSA benefits the entire ECTS student body by providing opportunities for leadership growth, allowing membership in a professional organization that supports the technical skills, offering the chance to compete for scholarships and recognition, and to give back to the community through service activities. These benefits help our students excel in their chosen field as well as develop leadership skills and learn to recognize the contributions that people with skills make to the American standard of living.

SkillsUSA—Erie County Technical School Chapter would sincerely appreciate financial assistance from the ECTS Foundation and respectfully submit our request for \$5000.00.

Thank you.