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PRESS RELEASE

ETA International Certifications Complement the SkillsUSA Workforce Mission

Greencastle, IN - October 20, 2025 - SkillsUSA's National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC) is the nation's largest gathering of career and technical education students and the premier showcase of America's emerging skilled workforce. The week-long event highlights the achievements of career-ready students competing across advanced technical disciplines and leadership categories.

ETA International's accredited, vendor-neutral certifications align directly with the hands-on technical competencies emphasized by SkillsUSA in electronics, telecommunications, information technology and related STEM fields. While SkillsUSA builds workforce-ready technical expertise, ETA credentials provide the professional validation employers require in today's technology-driven economy.

By documenting mastery of defined competencies through internationally recognized standards, ETA certifications reinforce job readiness and support long-term employability in high-demand sectors. This alignment enables SkillsUSA participants to translate classroom training and competition experience into industry-recognized credentials that advance career pathways in communications, electronics and applied technology occupations.

Employers benefit from trusted indicators of skills proficiency, while students and emerging technicians gain portable, stackable credentials valued across industry sectors. Together, SkillsUSA and ETA International help expand a qualified talent pipeline prepared to meet evolving workforce needs.

The highlight of the NLSC is the SkillsUSA Championships, where more than 6,500 state champions compete for national gold, silver and bronze medals across 114 technical and leadership contests.

"SkillsUSA has built an exceptional model for career and technical preparation, and ETA International is proud to complement that work through certifications that validate the professional competencies employers rely on," said Bryan Allen, President and CEO of ETA International.

About ETA: Founded in 1978 by electronics technicians, ETA[®] International is a not-for-profit 501(c)(6) association whose mission is to represent and support the technical professional. ETA offers over 90 accredited, vendor-neutral certification programs in a variety of technology fields such as fiber optics, communications, electronics, biomedical, smart home, and renewable energy.

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