

# THE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

## ILLINOIS' ELITE CAREER COMPETITIONS

### Hotel Information

Over the past four years, SkillsUSA Illinois has faced two factors that have significantly impacted hotel accommodations for The Championships in Peoria: 1) conference participation growth and 2) record inflation of hotel costs. Our team has worked hard to secure competitive room contracts, and the additional space needed to accommodate attendees. **The room rate below includes all taxes and breakfast for up to four per room.**

2025 Room Rate: \$246 per night

### Rebate Program

Working with the City of Peoria, our hotel partners, and our Business Partner network, SkillsUSA Illinois is introducing a hotel rebate program to help offset hotel costs for chapters who struggle to attend and adjust to meet the varying hotel property levels in the location's market. Chapters will receive the rebate indicated below based on their hotel assignment. Chapters staying in East Peoria and Grand Prairie locations will receive a rebate if they can provide their own transportation to and from the Peoria Civic Center. Parking passes will be provided to these chapters. Parking information will be available closer to the event.

#### Peoria Hotels (Walking Distance)

Property	Rooms	Rebate
<b>A.</b> Marriott Pere Marquette 501 Main St, Peoria, IL	186	-
<b>B.</b> Courtyard by Marriott 533 Main St, Peoria, IL	80	-
<b>C.</b> Four Points by Sheraton 500 Hamilton Blvd, Peoria, IL	282	\$20
<b>D.</b> Staybridge Suites 300 W R. B. Garrett Ave, Peoria, IL	40	\$20

#### Peoria Hotels at Grand Prairie

Property	Rooms	Rebate with school transportation
<b>I.</b> Holiday Inn & Suites 7601 N. Orange Prairie Road Peoria, IL	45	\$30
<b>J.</b> Hampton Inn & Suites 7806 IL-91, Peoria, IL	35	\$30
<b>K.</b> Country Inn & Suites 5309 West Landens Way, Peoria, IL	35	\$40
<b>L.</b> Wingate by Wyndham 7708 IL-91, Peoria, IL	35	\$40

#### East Peoria Hotels

Property	Rooms	Rebate with school transportation
<b>E.</b> Embassy Suites 100 Conference Ctr Dr, East Peoria, IL	80	\$30
<b>F.</b> Fairfield Inn & Suites 200 Eastlight Court, East Peoria, IL	40	\$40
<b>G.</b> Holiday Inn & Suites 101 Holiday St, East Peoria, IL	50	\$40
<b>H.</b> Best Western Plus 300 Eastlight Ct, East Peoria, IL	TBD	\$40



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### Housing Policy

As outlined in the SkillsUSA Illinois Policy Manual, all conference participants are required to stay within the assigned housing block. To secure a room, registered conference members must utilize the SkillsUSA Illinois reservation process. The sole exception to this policy is available to chapters within 30 miles of the conference site, which can apply for an exemption each year by the first business day of March. To request an exemption, complete the form found at <https://bit.ly/il-hotel-exempt>.

### Accommodation Request and Booking Process

#### Room Types

SkillsUSA Illinois offers two room types for The Championships:

- Single – one bed per room; up to two per room.
- Double – two beds or one bed and a sofa sleeper; up to four per room.

#### Request Form – complete by Mar. 19

After conference registration, chapters must submit hotel counts and rooming lists by Mar. 19, 2025 through **Launch!** ([www.ywdf.org](http://www.ywdf.org)). During this process, chapters will rank their preferred hotel choices. Failure to complete this will result in random room assignments, and mass changes will not be accommodated. SkillsUSA Illinois will assign chapters to hotels and notify them of their assignments.

Historically, 80% of chapters received their first or second hotel choice.



### Reservation Modifications and Cancellations

All additional room requests or modifications must be made through SkillsUSA Illinois by contacting the state office via email at [membership@skillsusaillinois.org](mailto:membership@skillsusaillinois.org).

**DO NOT CONTACT THE HOTEL DIRECTLY.** Changes made directly with the hotel will not be reflected during check-in, causing significant delays in room access.

Room cancellations must be made 72 hours prior to check-in.

Check-in: 4 p.m. | Check-out: 11 a.m.