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Lowe’s Supports Growing Alabama SkillsUSA Program and State’s Career Technical Education Initiatives

Montgomery, Ala. – Two Alabama Career and Technical Education Teachers recently received great news.

Sarah Heath, Building Construction Instructor at Mortimer Jordan High School in Jefferson County, and Jason Blackwell, Industrial Maintenance Instructor at the Brewton Career Technology Center in Escambia County have both received Chapter Resource Grants for their SkillsUSA Chapters, provided by Lowe’s, Inc.

This grant has been generously provided by Lowe’s with the intent to strengthen local SkillsUSA chapters and includes $1,000 worth of educational resources.

The resources included in this grant are intended to help local Alabama programs, started within the last two years excel at fulfilling the SkillsUSA mission of empowering members to become world-class workers, leaders, and responsible American citizens.

Resources will promote the SkillsUSA Framework, which are skills that promote personal, workplace, and technical achievement grounded in academics.

Scott Wiginton, Executive Director of Alabama SkillsUSA, says “industry partners, such as Lowe’s are a vital part of fulfilling our vision for producing the most highly skilled workforce in the world, and providing Alabama’s Career and Technical Education students opportunities for success.”

Lowe’s supports many SkillsUSA initiatives across the country.

Bryan Upton, Alabama SkillsUSA High School Director added, “We appreciate what Lowe’s has done to invest in SkillsUSA students at the individual chapter, state, and national level. With the new landscape of education brought on by current circumstances, the resources provided by this grant are more important than ever.”

Alabama SkillsUSA is one of the Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO) recognized by the Alabama State Board of Education as an integral, core-curricular component that enhances classroom instruction, develops student leadership, and workplace-readiness skills.

Alabama is ranked fifth nationally for having the largest SkillsUSA membership in 2019-2020, with 23,576 members (both high school and postsecondary chapters).

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Our state also ranks second nationally for the largest SkillsUSA college membership. Learn more about this great program at www.ALSkillsUSA.org.

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