Competition Date: February 21st, 2020

Location: Coconino Community College Lone Tree Campus

2800 S. Lone Tree Road Flagstaff, AZ 86005

Maximum of 7 participants per school (This is subject to change if more spots open up)

Registration: $25.00 per student

Registration Deadline: Friday, February 7, 2020 (http://www.skillsusa-register.org/Login.aspx)

Print Competition

Print Theme: **After Dark: Anything with a long exposure**

Requirements/Restrictions:

- The print (the paper that it's printed on) cannot be larger than 13" x 19"
- Not mounted or framed
- If the image is a combination of images, all images must be created, from start to finish, by the competitor. (Please be prepared to provide proof. For example, images saved to a flash drive)
- Submit at registration
- No names. Contestant number will be assigned to the print for judging.

On-Site Field Competition: Competitors will be allowed one hour to shoot for a given theme. The theme will be given to the competitors right before shooting. Photographs will need to be shot on **manual** and competitors will choose one, unedited image to be judged. These images will need to be straight out of the camera. They will be submitted in .jpeg format.

Equipment Needed:

- DSLR
- Blank memory card
- A means of uploading images (i.e. USB cord or card reader)
- Any other equipment is optional and up to the contestant. (i.e. off-camera flash, filters, reflectors, lenses, etc.)

Photoshop Challenge: Competitors will be given a Photoshop task to complete within about a 45 minute period. Please see notes below for equipment requirements.

Written Test, Troubleshooting, and Color Correction: The written test will be 25 multiple choice questions pulled from the Skills USA test bank. For troubleshooting, students will be shown example images of various problems and asked to identify the issue. The troubleshooting and color correction test will be very similar to the tests at the state competition.

Lunch: Lunch will be provided. Typically, it is pizza. Please plan for any dietary restrictions.

Portfolio Review: As of right now, we have several photographers offering to help out with this year's competition. This year we **might** offer an optional portfolio review. It does not factor into the contest scores. It is purely for our students to hear another photographer's point of view. For this, students will bring up to 5 prints to be reviewed, no larger than 8.5" x 11". I will email all teachers if we confirm portfolio reviews.

Schedule:

Registration: 7:30am – 8:00am
Introduction and Directions: 8:10am – 8:25am
On-Site Field Shoot: 8:30am – 9:30am
Rotation 1: 9:40am – 10:40am
    Group 1 – Upload chosen field shot and complete Photoshop challenge
    Group 2 – Written test, Troubleshooting, Color Correction, Optional Portfolio Review
Rotation 2: 10:50am – 11:50am
    Group 2 - Upload chosen field shot and complete Photoshop challenge
    Group 1 - Written test, Troubleshooting, Color Correction, Optional Portfolio Review
Lunch: 12:00pm
Awards Ceremony:

Additional Information:

Computers:
CCC has 20 computers available for us to use. They are running Photoshop CC on PC's. Each school will be split into two groups. Half will go to the lab while the other half is testing. Therefore, the maximum number of students competing from any school, on a computer, will be half of the number of students you are bringing in total for the competition.

State Qualifier:
This is the second year that our regional competition is a state qualifier.

1. Only the top 15 placing competitors will go to state in April.
2. Only schools in our region will be competing in the Region 4 competition.

Please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions. My contact information is listed below. I am best reached through email. Please email me your contact information so I can send you any updates.

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