

## SkillsUSA 2026 State Championship

### Early Childhood Education Contest Update (3/3/26)

- Familiarize yourself with the Universal Design for Learning (UDL) format as this is the format we will be looking for (includes all requirements that are listed under the Early Childhood Technical Standards in the lesson plan section). We will provide blank copies the day of for students to write their lessons on.
- The book you will be using for your lesson is "*The Cool Bean*" written by Jory John & Pete Oswald. Students will be creating a lesson on **at least one** topic to go along with this book. Here are some ideas:
  - Social-emotional learning
  - Sequence of events
  - Characters
  - Theme
  - Vocabulary
  - Senses
  - Rhyme
  - Creative Arts

If you have an idea that is not on the list above, please feel free to use it! These are just suggestions.

Here is a video of the book if you would like to watch it while you wait for the book!

<https://youtu.be/sfq0JpXfMh0?feature=shared>