

PIN DESIGN - STATE

OVERVIEW:

Participants are required to develop and present a pin design, which can be adopted, as the state pin to be traded at the National TSA conference. **A winner in both MS and high school will be selected.**

I. PURPOSE

Provide a means for TSA members to demonstrate their ability to communicate design and layout skills.

II. ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY

Entries are limited to **SIX** (6) per chapter. This event is open to MIDDLE and HIGH school.

III. SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

- A. The pin design is an individual event. No recognition will be given for a group effort.
- B. The design may not exceed 1-1/4" by 1-1/4". (However, Larger print outs can be included to view detail-this is in addition to actual size print-out not in replacement.)
- C. An original line type illustration(s) must be used that reflects or interprets or in some other way communicates: A Colorado theme and incorporates the letters "TSA". (For trading at National conference)
- D. Pin must be designed for a cloisonné type of pin.
- E. The design is limited to no more than four (4) colors.
- F. The pin must have color separations – with the requested style of pin it will have raised lines of either gold or silver between the colors (this does not count as one of your four colors) – there cannot be gradients in any of the colors.
- G. Prepare a printed color picture for the design entry. Public domain computer clip art may be included in the design.
- H. Event personnel in the presence of entrant or person turning entry in must place entry number on the back of the design.
- I. Use of copyrighted or registered artwork in design is prohibited without verified permission from the original artist/publisher.
- J. Inclusion of the design either on 3 1/2" floppy disk or on CD is **required** in a JPEG format.

IV. PROCEDURE

- A. Registration: Event participants must register and follow the guidelines for the event in accordance with the procedures established for the conference.
- B. Digital format must be included with the 1-1/4"x 1-1/4" color print out to be considered for the competition.
- C. No designs may be picked up before the assigned time.
- D. All winning entries will become the property of COTSA, Inc.

V. EVALUATION (Design selection criteria)

- A. Middle School level and High School level winning designs will both be reproduced for trading at the national conference.
- B. Copies of previous winning pin designs shall not be used.
- C. COTSA reserves the right to modify design as needed for printing the pin.

- D. The winning pin may or may not be selected to be the pin that represents Colorado as the trading pin at national competition – there may be more than one pin for Colorado at the National conference. – The TSA Executive Board will determine the final decision.