

Skills Ontario competitors representing the province win big at Skills Canada National Competition

Competitors who advanced to represent Team Ontario at national level brought home over 30 medals

HALIFAX, NS (May 31, 2019) – After earning gold medals in select skilled trade and technology contests at the provincial 2019 Skills Ontario Competition in Toronto earlier this month, medalists moved forward to the 2019 Skills Canada National Competition on May 28-29 in Halifax, Nova Scotia, where they represented Ontario and brought home over 30 medals.

Over 60 Team Ontario competitors put their skills to the test against the best in the country over the two-day National Competition and won 15 gold medals, 12 silver medals, and 7 bronze medals, to total 34 medals.

“Skills Ontario is incredibly proud of all competitors, including those who represented Team Ontario at the 2019 Skills Canada National Competition,” says Ian Howcroft, CEO of Skills Ontario. “For 30 years, Skills Ontario has recognized the importance of encouraging youth to consider the career opportunities in the skilled trades and technologies, not only to educate them on the fulfilling paths they can take, but also to secure a strong economy and a brighter future for all Ontarians. Congratulations to Team Ontario and all competitors for their hard work and achievements.”

Along with the many medals that Team Ontario brought in, Jeremy Braithwaite, a Technical Chair on the National Committee from Loyalist College, received recognition for his dedication with an Award of Excellence at the 2019 Skills Canada National Competition Closing Ceremony. Jeremy, from Loyalist College, is a great supporter of Skills Ontario.

Along with the contests running at this year’s national level, competitors from the 2018 Skills Canada National Competition were on site vying to qualify for a spot on Team Canada. Five Ontario medalists earned their place on the national team, and will be travelling to represent Team Canada in Russia this August for the 2019 World Skills Competition.

The full results for the 2019 Skills Canada National Competition can be found at skillscompetencescanada.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Results-for-Site.pdf.

Skills Ontario – Promoting skilled trades and technologies in Ontario since 1989

Over the last 30 years, Skills Ontario has been growing a portfolio of programs including in-school presentations reaching 125,000 students across Ontario, career exploration summer camps, Young Women’s and First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Career Exploration Conferences, and hosting Canada’s largest skills competition which annually attracts 37,000+ spectators who cheerlead the 2,400+ competitors in 70 trades and tech categories. To see how you can partner with Skills Ontario and help make a difference in the lives of Ontario’s youth, visit skillsontario.com/get-involved.

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