

2021 PROVINCIAL SKILLS

POST-SECONDARY COMPETIREGISTRATION INFORMATION

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2021 PROVINCIAL SKILLS CANADA COMPETITION: April 24 - May 7, 2021

Congratulations on being selected to compete in the 28th Provincial Skills Canada Competition!

The Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC) is Skills Canada Alberta's cornerstone event which showcases the exceptional talents of students studying skilled trades and technologies. This event is a two-day Olympic-style competition between Alberta's brightest post-secondary students. This event not only showcases students but serves as a critical link between education, employers, labour groups, and government to demonstrate that trade and technical careers are exciting and challenging opportunities.

Competing at the PSCC will provide you with unique training opportunities and demonstrate to future employers that you have the dedication and skill set to participate in a high-level competition.

PSCC Gold Medalists can continue their skills journey to compete at the **2021 Skills Canada National Competition** (SCNC) which will be hosted virtually due to public health concerns over COVID-19.

YOUR PATH TO COMPETE

The PSCC is your chance to shine and demonstrate just how good you are in your field. There is a limited number of competitors in each competition area that we can accommodate so there is a selection process that you will have to go through in order to compete. Please review the following criteria outlines below to see if you are eligible to compete.

Eligibility Criteria:

- **Non-Apprenticeable Skills**: Be a registered student with a training institution in a related program in the contest area they wish to compete after July 1, 2019 and the start date of the PSCC
- Apprenticeable Skills: Be a registered student with a training institution or be a registered apprentice in a
 related program in which they wish to compete at any time after July 1, 2019 and the start date of the PSCC
 AND
 - Competitors cannot be a certified journey person prior to May 1, 2020, in the skill area in which they wish to compete
- Must be born on or after January 1, 1999
 Except for competitors in Aerospace Technology, Mechatronics or event areas that do not move forward on Team Alberta or Team Canada to WorldSkills must be born on or after January 1, 1996.
- Must be an Alberta resident AND a Canadian Citizen/Canadian Permanent Resident

All Post-Secondary Competitors should ensure they have support from their employer to attend the PSCC and SCNC as some days of work will be missed.

Important Note: Alberta Apprenticeship & Industry Training supports participation in SCA programs (PSCC and SCNC) and considers competing to be an excusable absence. Approved missed days for competing will not result in termination from technical training. You are responsible for any material covered during your absence including missed assignments or examinations. Please notify your instructors that you are participating to assist you with training and keep you informed of missed course work.

The cost for a post-secondary competitor to attend the PSCC and SCNC is typically covered by most post-secondary institutes. For information regarding fees, please contact Katherine Kupchenko at katherinek@skillsalberta.com.

NEXT STEPS

- 1) Apply online before April 1, 2021 https://portal.skillsalberta.com/Contact/PostSecondaryApplication.aspx Endorsement from an instructor or technical/training institute is required. Successful applicants will receive notification from Skills Canada Alberta confirming their spot.
- 2) Review the Contest Description and Prepare for your competition | skillsalberta.com/eventlist Contest descriptions outline the project, skills and knowledge that will be tested, required equipment and materials, safety requirements, and judging criteria. Students who do not comply with the safety equipment requirements outlined in the contest description will not be permitted to compete. Contest descriptions will be posted by January 31, 2021 and recommend checking for any updates or changes prior to the competition.
- 3) Compete at the 2021 Provincial Skills Canada Competition | April 24 May 7, 2021

The PSCC will be held virtually and in post-secondary institutes across Alberta. Each post-secondary competition will take place over two days during this time frame. These competitions are not public but we will try to livestream where possible.

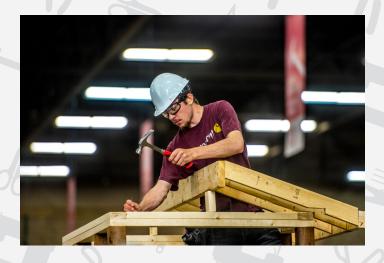
Details about the date for each competition area can be found <u>online</u> and will be updated once they have been confirmed.

4) Compete at the 2021 Skills Canada National Competition | late May - early June, 2021

We try to align our Provincial competition as closely as possible to the national competition. To ensure your success at all competitions, we strongly encourage all competitors to familiarize themselves with the National Competition Documents. Details can be found <u>online</u>.

5) Compete in the 2022 Provincial Skills Canada Competition

Gold medalists in the 2021 Provincial Skills Canada Competition will be fast-tracked with an automatic spot to compete in the 2022 PSCC. Additional training opportunities will be offered during the 2021-2022 school year to help prepare competitors for the 2022 SCNC and WorldSkills2022.





Next year is a qualifying year for WorldSkills so start training early to join Team Alberta and hopefully Team Canada! Check and see if your skill moves on to the SCNC and WorldSkills Shanghai 2022.

COMPLETE LIST OF POST-SECONDARY EVENTS

EVENT	Born During or After*	PSCC 2021	SCNC 2021	WorldSkills Shanghai 2022+
Aerospace Technology	1996	Yes	Yes	Yes
Aesthetics	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Architectural Technology & Design	1996	Yes	Yes	No
Autobody Repair	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Automobile Technology	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Baking	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cabinet Making	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Car Painting	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Carpentry	1996	Yes	Yes	No
CNC Machining	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Culinary Arts	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Graphic Design	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hairstyling	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Heavy Vehicle Technology	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Industrial Control	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
IT Office Software Applications	1996	Yes	Yes	No
IT-Network Systems Administration	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mechatronics	1996	Yes	Yes	Yes
Plumbing	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Precision Machining	1996	Yes	Yes	No
Refrigeration and Air Conditioning	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sprinkler and Fire Protection Installation	1996	Yes	Yes	No
Steamfitter/Pipefitter	1996	Yes	Yes	No
Welding	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes
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^{*}Subject to change.

⁺The official list of competitions Team Canada will compete in at WorldSkills Shanghai 2022 will be released prior to the 2022 SCNC.

TO NATIONALS AND WORLDSKILLS!

26th Skills Canada National Competition Virtual Competition

2021 PSCC gold medalists qualify for Team Alberta to compete at the Skills Canada National Competition. You will be asked to confirm your participation for Nationals after the PSCC Awards Ceremony. More details to come.

Before competing in the SCNC, review the Contest Descriptions at https://www.skillscompetencescanada.com/en/scnc-2021-competition-documents/.

The cost for a competitor to participate in the SCNC is typically covered by your post-secondary training institute. Please contact katherinek@skillsalberta.com for more information.





46th WorldSkills Competition Shanghai, China | September 2022

2022 is the qualifying year for WorldSkills Shanghai, China and we want to take you!

You must be born on or after January 1, 1999 to be eligible to compete in China (with the exception of January 1, 1996 for Aerospace Technology and Mechatronics). You must qualify for Team Alberta at the 2021 PSCC in order to compete at the 2022 Skills Canada National Competition, where the highest ranking age-eligible competitor within the post-secondary level will be invited to join WorldSkill Team Canada in Shanghai.

The WorldSkills Competition occurs every two years and is the world's largest showcase of vocational education and skills excellence. Competitors from around the world will demonstrate their exceptional talents in 56 skill areas.

Being part of Team Canada is a once in a lifetime experience! As a member of Team Canada, you will have access to scholarships, training and travel opportunities, and allow you to work side-by-side with Canada's finest trainers and experts!

Please visit our <u>website</u> for more information about training documents, training sessions, etc. We want to give you the tools to be ready for the world stage as there is a tight timeline between the national competition and WorldSkills Shanghai.