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A Message from the President of Skills Canada Alberta



I am delighted to share highlights from our 2023-2024 programming year in this report, showcasing the incredible impact of Skills Canada Alberta (SCA) in inspiring, developing and elevating Alberta's youth in the skilled trades and technologies.

At SCA, our commitment to fostering a parity of esteem for these rewarding careers and professions resonates throughout all our programs and initiatives. Bridging the gap between students, career information, and Alberta's training institutes and employers remains a cornerstone of our mission; providing young people multiple avenues to explore their passions and interests while developing their skills.

Our efforts to provide innovative career exploration experiences directly in classrooms with our Try-A-Trade® Takeout, Skills in the Classroom and Skills Exploration Days programs have expanded our impact to more communities than ever before. Including our flagship competition programming, all told, we reached over 44,000 students across the province, reinforcing our role as a leader in hands-on learning experiences for Alberta's students.

The impact of SCA underscores the dedication of our volunteers and the strength of our partnerships with industry, education and government stakeholders. Together, we are shaping the future of Alberta's workforce by providing invaluable opportunities for students to discover their potential in the trades and technologies.

Looking ahead to 2025, we anticipate new and unique opportunities to further enrich the lives of Alberta's youth and to continue delivering exceptional value to our participants and stakeholders.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ray Massey", is positioned above the printed name. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Ray Massey
President
Skills Canada Alberta

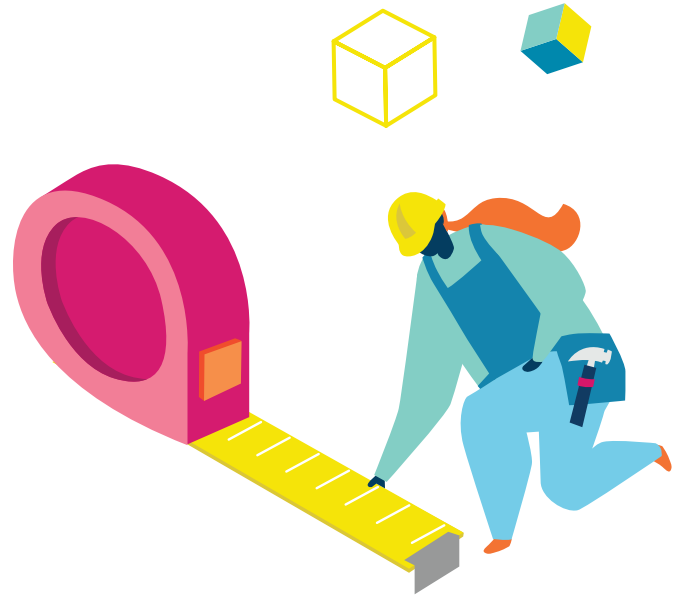


Our Mandate

Skills Canada Alberta (SCA) is a provincial non-profit organization that works collaboratively with industry, labour, government and education stakeholders to inspire, develop, and elevate Alberta's skilled youth.

The ideal of parity of esteem for Albertans in the skilled trades and technologies is a foundational belief of Skills Canada Alberta and is reflected in all our programming. We are committed to educating young people in Alberta about the motivating and rewarding career opportunities available to them in the trades and technologies.

SCA continues to be a leader in providing an unparalleled platform for students to explore their skills and interests in the trades and technologies. We have built a reputation for effectively providing innovative, hands-on learning experiences for Alberta's youth through our various programs:



SCA is member organization of the national association, Skills/Compétences Canada (SCC) which has offices in each territory and province in Canada. The Skills Movement begins at the local level and provides a path for students to national and international training opportunities. SCC is a member organization to WorldSkills International, connecting Canada to the global movement to raise the profile and recognition of skilled people and show how critical skills are in achieving economic growth.



Our Mission

Skills Canada Alberta is a provincial, not-for-profit organization that actively promotes careers in skilled trades and technologies to Alberta's youth.

Our Vision

Skills Canada Alberta will be a model of excellence in the promotion of skilled trade and technology careers to youth in our province and in our country.

Our Goals

- To improve the public perception of the importance of trade and technology-based careers.
- To promote the career path opportunities within trades and technologies.
- To enhance the quality of technological education.
- To develop and maintain strong links between business, education, government and labour.
- To encourage students to recognize the value of completing secondary and post-secondary education for personal development and future employability.



Highlights 2023/24



Try-A-Trade® Takeout
reached more than
17,200 students
from
258 schools.



Had our **largest**
Skills Exploration Days
participation to date with

2,730
participants.



Connected with
12,769 students
and
133 teachers
with **Skills in the Classroom**
presentations.



483 secondary
and
**178 post
secondary**
competitors took part
in the 2024 **Provincial Skills
Canada Competition.**



More than
9,300 students
toured the
**2024 Provincial Skills
Canada Competition**
on a school field trip.



Team Alberta
received medals in
**36 of the 57
contest areas**
we participated in at the
2024 Skills Canada National
Competition.

Partners

SCA brings together industry, labour, education, and government partners to provide the necessary funding to support our endeavours, and ensure students have minimal barriers to participate.



Government Partners

Employment and Social
Development Canada
Ministry of Skilled Trades and
Professions

Skills Champion

Syncrude Canada
Inter Pipeline

Skills Leaders

Carpenters Regional Council
Pembina
Canadian Natural

Skills Innovators

DOW Canada
CLAC
Kiewit Corporation
RBC Foundation
Keyera
Building Trades of Alberta

Skills Motivators

Canadian Armed Forces
NAIT
TC Energy
CN Railway
Worley

Skills Presenters

PCL Construction
Edmonton Construction
Association
Jardeg
Finning
Sheet Metal Workers International
Association Local #8
Millwrights Local 146
Fix Network
Imperial
Canfor
Ledcor

Skills Makers

Red Deer Polytechnic
Electrical Contractors Association
of Alberta
Insulators Training Trust Fund
EITCA and IBEW
Construction Labour Relations

Skills Supporters

Aecon
Northwest Redwater Partnership
Willowridge Construction
MacEwan University
Provincial Glaziers Association of
Alberta
Architectural Woodwork
Manufacturers Association of
Canada (North)
Lethbridge College
MC College
UA Local 488
Eagle Builders
Wolf Midstream
Northern Lakes College
EPCOR
Alberta Academy of Aesthetics





Friends of Skills

3M

ABB Group

Aecon

Alberta Academy of Aesthetics

Alberta Carpenters Training Centre

Alberta Pipe Trades College

Andrew Sheret Limited

Carpenters Regional Council

AWMAC

BASF

BOSCH

Building Trades of Alberta

Bob Dale Gloves

Bunzl Canada

C&I Crossroads

Canadian Armed Forces

Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.

Canadian National Railway

Canadian Woodworker

Canfor

Career Transitions

Color Compass

CLAC

Computers for Schools

Construction Labour Relations of Alberta

Consulab

Custom Energized Air

D.A.D.

Delmar College

Delta

Dermalogica

Dow Canada

Eagle Builders

Edmonton Construction Assn

EECOL Electric

Electrical Contractors Association of Alberta

Electrical Inspectors Association of Alberta

EMCO Corporation

Epcor

Falcon Welding

FESTO

Finning

Fix Network

FixtureLaser

Frontier Plumbing and Heating Supply

Government of Alberta

Government of Canada

HAAS

Habitat for Humanity

Hofmann

Hunter Engineering

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers & Electrical Industry Training Centre Alberta

Imperial

Indeed

Insulators Training Trust Fund

Inter Pipeline

IPEX

Jardeg

Johnson's Sewing Centre

Keen Creative

Keyano College

Keyera

Kiewit

Lakeland College

Leavitt Machinery

Ledcor

Lethbridge College

Leviton

Lincoln Electric

Linde

LKQ

MacEwan University

Masonry Contractors Association of Alberta

MC College

Millwrights Local 1460

Mitutoyo

NAIT

North by Honeywell

Northern Lakes College

Northwestern Polytechnic

North West Redwater Partnership

PCL

Pembina

PGAA

Pivot Point

Portage College

Pratts



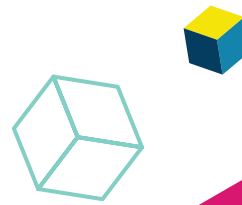
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Range Mobility
RBC Foundation
Red Deer Polytechnic
Refrigerative Supply
Ricoh
Ridgid Tools
Rittal
SAIT
Sandvik Coromant
SATA
Schneider Electric
Sheet Metal Workers International
Association Local 8
Showtech
Skills Canada Collision Repair
Program
Snap-On
Summit Salon Services
Syncrude - Operated by Suncor
TC Energy
Thermal Insulators Alberta
Thomas Skinner
Tradeslink
UA Local 488
Velocity Truck Centre
Wajax
Willowridge Construction
Wolf Midstream
Worley
WRC Group of Companies
Youth Career Development



Volunteers

Volunteers are the driving force behind all Skills Canada Alberta activities. Each year more than 750 Provincial Technical Committee (PTC) members, judges, mentors and Try-A-Trade® and general volunteers share their expertise and time with youth in order to inspire them to pursue rewarding education and career opportunities.

Committees form the nature of the contest, the areas of knowledge and skill to be tested, and source the tools, materials and equipment required to host our competitions. Each of our Regional Skills Canada Competitions is also led by a Regional Technical Committee. Our competitions could not happen without the dedicated volunteer base of educators and industry experts that we are fortunate enough to work with.



“Dan does this because it’s what he loves to do. He loves helping people, he loves teaching people.”

Dan Lynge 2024 Volunteer of the Year

Dan has been involved with Skills Canada Alberta for over 25 years, having chaired both the Provincial and National Technical committees in Welding in the past. He also leads the facilitation of the Edmonton Welding Regional Skills Canada Competition, hosting it at NAIT, where he is a Welding instructor.

Dan wears many hats during competitions, fulfilling roles in safety, judging, Try-A-Trade® development, resource procurement and more!

Outside of his roles on the competition committees, he also supports and trains the Welding competitors from NAIT, helping to provide them with the encouragement and confidence to showcase their skills. One of his former students says “Dan does this because it’s what he loves to do. He loves helping people, he loves teaching people.”

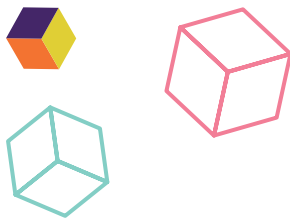
Skills Alumni Group of Alberta

The SAGA Continues

All students who take part in our programs become part of a community of individuals who value hard work and talent in the trades and technologies. The Skills Alumni Group of Alberta (SAGA) is a network for Skills Alumni, allowing them to continue fueling their passion for growth in their field.

This year members of SAGA were invited to join an exclusive LinkedIn group and to attend several in-person networking events. A contest was held on LinkedIn, with the winners receiving funds for a Professional Development opportunity of their choosing. We recruited alumni to volunteer at our competitions, assist with instructional resources for Skills Exploration Days and to attend Skills in the Classroom presentations to share their journeys with youth across the province.

We look forward to growing our SAGA network and providing them with many more opportunities in the coming years.



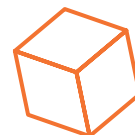
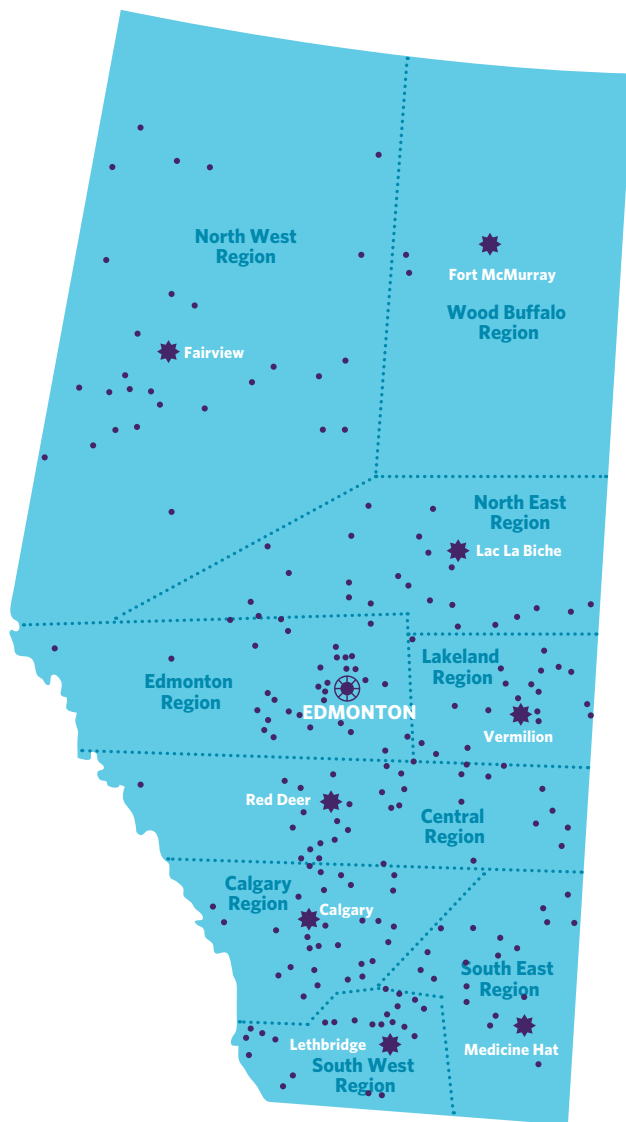
Laine Van Hardeveld 2024 Alumni of the Year

Laine has been competing in Skills competitions since 2018, first in the team event Mechatronics, where she earned a silver medal at the Skills Canada National Competition. In 2022, Laine decided to switch career paths and started training as an Industrial Mechanic/Millwright. This provided her another chance to compete at the Provincial Skills Canada Competition, this time solo as a Millwright. She won gold at the 2022 Provincial Skills Canada Competition, and represented Team Alberta at the 2022 Skills Canada National Competition, earning another silver medal.

Laine now sits on the Provincial Technical Committee for Mechatronics, hoping to pass on all she had learned to future competitors. She also plays an active role in helping to train the competitors from SAIT.



“I had such an incredible experience. Quite literally life-changing, as I’m sure all alumni say!”



Communities Building Skills

In 2023/2024, over 44,000 students registered for Skills Canada Alberta programs, representing 191 Alberta communities.

- Skills Communities
- ★ Regional Skills Canada Competitions
- ⊙ Provincial/Regional Skills Canada Competitions

Try-A-Trade[®] Takeout

In partnership with various industry and education leaders, SCA offers Try-A-Trade[®] Takeout activities to schools across the province. Teachers were able to order kits for different activities, giving students the chance to test-drive careers and learn new skills from their own classrooms. Each kit includes all necessary materials to complete the activity, as well as instructions and tutorial videos where needed.

9 activities representing 7 different trade and technology areas were offered.

- Sheet metal dustpan
- Copper tubing photo frame
- Leather pouch
- Laser tripwire
- Sushi rolling
- Squirrel picnic table
- Shoot the moon game
- Basketball game
- Water level sensor

“Love the convenience, and that all materials are included. The projects are varied and expose the students to different skills and tools.”

“I was so surprised with the boxes I received and the amount that was in them. It really had everything I needed to provide my students with some amazing STEM experiences. Thank you so much! I will apply for this again!”

Reached
17,200
students from
258 schools.

“Through this program we were able to build numerous opportunities for our students to learn and explore without having to purchase materials or go through extensive training.”

Skills in the Classroom

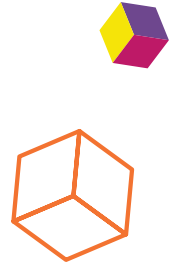
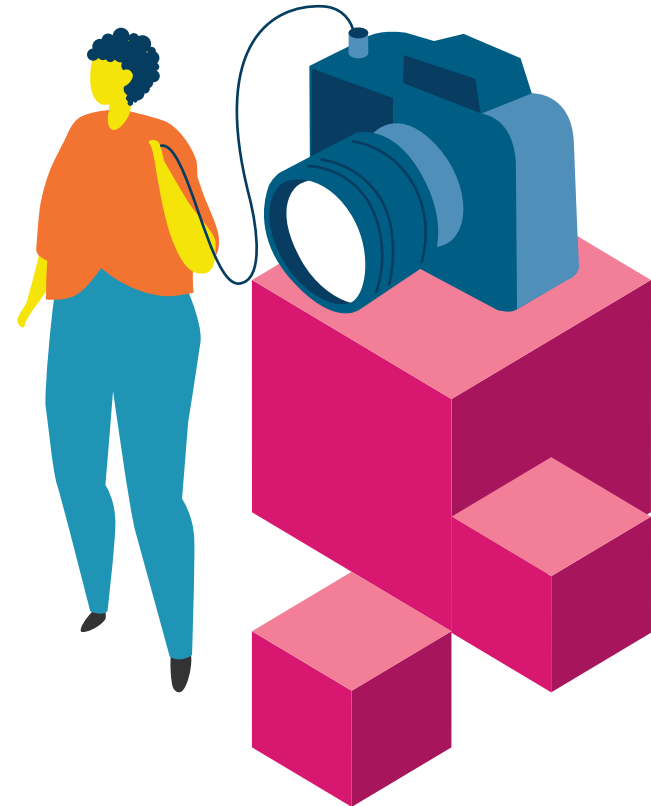
The goal of Skills in the Classroom is to provide students with an energetic and impactful experience that will help them with their career and education planning. With our interactive, free presentations, students learn about:

- Local and global trends in the world of work.
- How to equip themselves with employable and transferable skills for success.
- How to turn their interests and skills into a career path.
- Rewarding education and career options in the trades and technologies.

This year:

- 12,769 students and 133 teachers were reached through 240 presentations.
- Skills Canada Alberta was an exhibitor and presenter at many Teachers Conventions and career events across the province.

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TEACHER FEEDBACK:

“It was great to see that some students were starting to see the possibilities their future’s hold.”

TEACHER FEEDBACK:

“Hayley was incredibly knowledgeable and presented in a way that the students would understand and recognize the relevance for their own lives.”

TEACHER FEEDBACK:

“Kennedy was very engaging and made students excited about the Skills Competition—lots of students interested in CTS courses!”

STUDENT FEEDBACK:

“We got to learn about what Skills Canada is, and what there is in it. It got me thinking, maybe this is what I want to do.”

STUDENT FEEDBACK:

“The highlight was hearing that I can go to school for all the things that I like.”

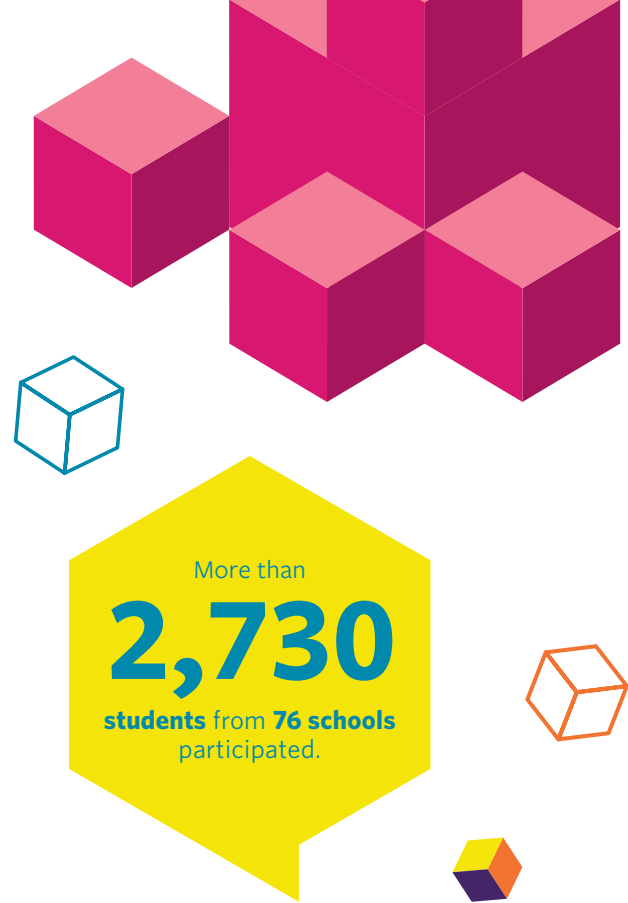
STUDENT FEEDBACK:

“I liked getting to learn about ways to improve my skills while having fun with it.”

Skills Exploration Days

Skills Exploration Days is a junior high program designed to complement and support Alberta Education's Career and Technology Foundations (CTF) Program of Studies. Through Skills Exploration Days, SCA introduces students to careers in the trades and technologies at a younger age, before they start to make education and career decisions.

- The purpose of Skills Exploration Days is to:
- Inspire junior high students to identify and explore inherent skills and interests.
- Connect students' skills and interests to trade and technology careers through interactive, hands-on activities.
- Provide schools and students with the tools and equipment necessary to promote trade and technology career exploration in their classrooms.



The program is facilitated in three parts:

- An in-classroom legacy toolbox and Learn-A-Skill kits provide students with skill development activities that allow them to test new trade and technology skills.
- In their classrooms, students work in teams using the Design Thinking process to address a real-world challenge.
- Using the skills learned with the Learn-A-Skill kits, students come together for an interactive live-stream to build a prototype and share their finished projects.

More than 2,730 students from 76 schools registered for the program and received \$4,500 worth of tools to support their CTF programming.

GETT

The Girls Exploring Trades and Technologies (GETT) program is an excellent opportunity for the young women in schools across Alberta to discover that the trades are open to everyone. The program is a celebration of women in trade and technology careers, helping high school girls gain a new perspective on the diverse career paths available to them.

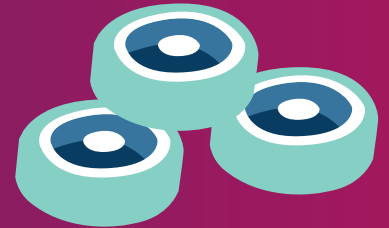
GETT in the Classroom

Schools were given the opportunity to order Try-A-Trade® Takeout kits specifically for female students to complete. These kits included female-led instructional videos and focused on sheet metal work, woodworking, aesthetics and refrigeration. An application form for these kits opened in early 2024, and 10 schools were selected to receive 4 kits for 25 students each. This meant each selected school received 100 individual kits.



174

female students from
16 schools attended the
GETT Gathering.

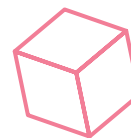
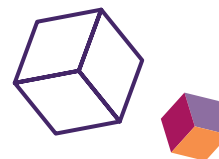
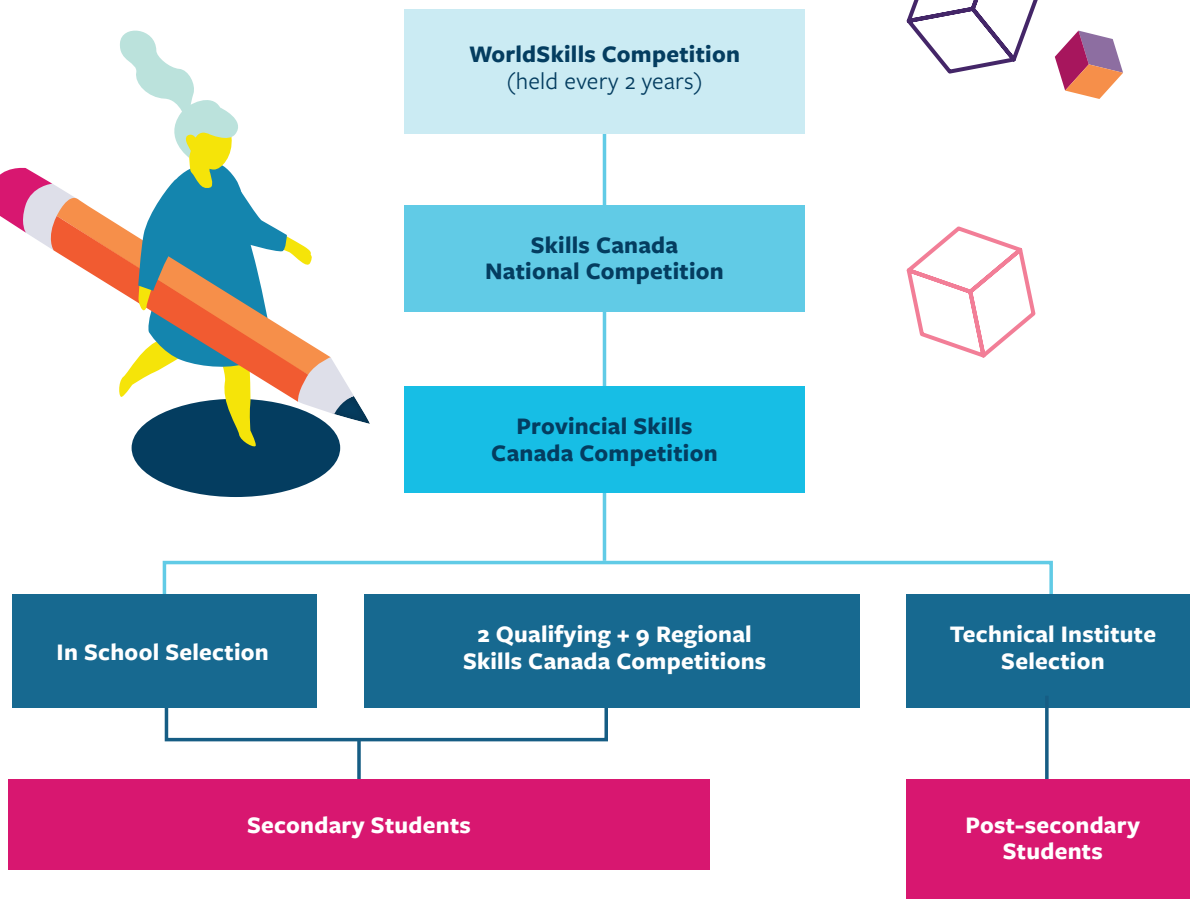


GETT Gathering

High school girls from across the province came together at the 2024 Provincial Skills Canada Competition for the GETT Gathering, where they were able to connect with certified tradeswomen, apprentices and technology experts – our Industry Influencers. Their stories, experiences and knowledge broaden the participants' perspective on their own career opportunities, encouraging them to think big!

At the GETT Gathering, students participate in round-table discussions, watch a panel discussion with female trade and technology leaders, and tour the competition floor filled with Try-A-Trades® and Skill City exhibitors.

Where Can Your Skills Take You?



Regional and Qualifying Skills Canada Competitions

High school students in some contest areas start their Skills journey at a Regional Skills Canada Competition. SCA is thankful to the technical institutes, regional career development organizations and high schools that host and support our 9 Regional Skills Canada Competitions (RSCC). With the tremendous support of our partners, in 2024 674 high school students participated in 92 unique events throughout Alberta.



Regional Competition	Hosts and Organizers
Calgary	SAIT Bowness High School
Central	Red Deer Polytechnic École Secondaire Notre Dame High School
Edmonton	NAIT Alberta Carpenters Training Centre MC College
Lakeland	Lakeland College
North East	Portage College
North West	Northwestern Polytechnic Fairview High School
South East	Medicine Hat College Medicine Hat High School Monsignor McCoy High School
South West	Lethbridge College
Wood Buffalo	Keyano College

31st Annual Provincial Skills Canada Competition

The philosophy of the Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC) is to reward students for excellence, to directly involve industry in evaluating student performance and to keep training relevant to employers' needs.

During the competition, secondary and post-secondary students compete in one of 43 contest areas, and work on a project that has been designed by experts in that field. Many gold medalists at the PSCC are rewarded with an appointment to Team Alberta and an opportunity to showcase their talents at the Skills Canada National Competition, with further opportunity to progress to a WorldSkills Competition.



43

competition
areas

483

secondary
competitors

178

post-secondary
competitors

Safety Award -
Plumbing

2024 Provincial Skills Canada Competition Contest Areas

2D Character Computer Animation

3D Character Computer Animation

3D Digital Game Art

Aesthetics

Architectural Technology & Design

Autobody Repair

Automobile Technology

Baking

Bricklaying

Cabinet Making

Car Painting

Carpentry

CNC Machining

Culinary Arts

Electrical Installations

Electronics

Fashion Technology

Graphic Design

Hairstyling

Heavy Vehicle Technology

Industrial Control

Industrial Mechanic / Millwright

IT - Network Systems Administration

IT – Office Software Applications

Job Search

Job Skill Demonstration

Joinery

Mechanical CADD

Mechanical Insulation

Mechatronics

Photography

Plumbing

Precision Machining

Public Speaking

Refrigeration & Air Conditioning

Robotics

Sheet Metal

Sprinkler Systems

Steamfitter/Pipefitter

Video Production

Web Design & Development

Welding

Workplace Safety



High Schools that took part in the Qualifying, Regional and/or Provincial Skills Canada Competitions:

Alberta High School of Fine Arts
Archbishop Jordan High School
Archbishop O`Leary
Ardrossan Junior Senior High School
Ashmont Secondary School
Barrhead Composite High School
Bert Church High School
Bev Facey Community High School
Bishop McNally High School
Bishop O`Byrne High School
Bowden (Grandview) School
Bowness High School
Boyle School
Brooks Composite High School
Calmar School
Calvin Christian School
Camrose Composite High School
Cardston High School
Catholic Central High School
Centennial High School
Central Memorial High School
Charles Spencer High School
Chestermere High School
Chinook High School

Christ The King Junior Senior High School
Coalhurst High School
Crescent Heights High School - Calgary
Crescent Heights High School - Medicine Hat
Crowsnest Consolidated High School
CT Centre
Didsbury High School
Dr. Anne Anderson High School
E.W Pratt High School
Eagle Butte High School
Eastglen School
Ecole des Beaux-Lacs
Ecole H.J. Cody High School
Ecole McTavish Junior High School
Ecole Secondaire Beaumont Composite High School
Ecole Secondaire Notre Dame High School
Education Unlimited
Edwin Parr Composite Community School
Ernest Manning High School
F. P. Walshe School

Fairview High School
Father Lacombe School - Calgary
Father Mercredi High School
Foothills Composite High School
Forest Lawn High School
Fort McMurray Composite High School
Georges P Vanier School - Donnelly
Glenmary School
Grande Prairie Composite High School
Harry Ainlay School
Henry Wise Wood High School
Holy Rosary High School
Holy Trinity
Holy Trinity - Fort McMurray
Hugh Sutherland School
Hunting Hills High School
J. H. Picard
J. R. Robson School
Jack James High School
James Fowler High School
Jasper Place School
Joane Cardinal-Schubert High School
Kate Chegwin School

Kenilworth School	Ponoka Secondary Campus	Tofield School
Lacombe Composite High School	Queen Elizabeth School	Vegreville Composite High School
Leduc Composite High School	Raymond High School	Victoria Park High School
Lester B. Pearson Senior High School	Redwater School	W. G. Murdoch School
Lethbridge Collegiate Institute	Richard F Staples Secondary School	W. R. Myers High School
Lillian Osborne School	Rudolph Hennig Junior High School	Wainwright High School
Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School	Saint Oscar Romero Catholic High School	West Central High School
Livingstone School	Salisbury Composite High School	West Ridge School
Lloydminster Comprehensive High School	School of Hope	Willow Creek Composite High School
Lord Beaverbrook High School	Senator Gershaw School	Winston Churchill High School
Louis St. Laurent	Sexsmith Secondary School	
Maskwacis Cree High School	Sherwood Heights Junior High School	
Matthew Halton High School	Spruce Grove Composite High School	
McCoy High School	St. Albert Catholic High School	
Medicine Hat High School	St. Augustine School	
Monsignor McCoy High School	St. Francis High School	
Morinville Community High School	St. Francis Xavier	
Mother Margaret Mary Catholic High School	St. John Paul II Catholic School - Grande Prairie	
Nelson Mandela High School	St. Joseph - Edmonton	
Notre Dame High School	St. Joseph Catholic High School - Grande Prairie	
Old Scona Academic	St. Joseph High School - Red Deer	
Oneway Junior Senior High School	St. Paul Regional High School	
Our Lady of the Rockies High School	St. Thomas More Catholic School	
Paul Kane High School	STEM Innovation Academy	
Peace Wapiti Academy	Sturgeon Composite High School	
Picture Butte High School	Sundre High School	

WorldSkills Provincial Champion Scholarship

Skills Canada Alberta is committed to inspiring students, developing their talents and elevating the skill level of trades and technologies in Alberta. Each year at the Provincial Skills Canada Competition, we award three scholarships of \$1200 each to the two highest ranking grade 12 medalists and the top ranking post-secondary competitor in each contest area. In total \$102,000 in scholarships were awarded to 54 high school students and 31 post-secondary students.

\$102K

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to **54 high school students**
and **31 post-secondary**
students.

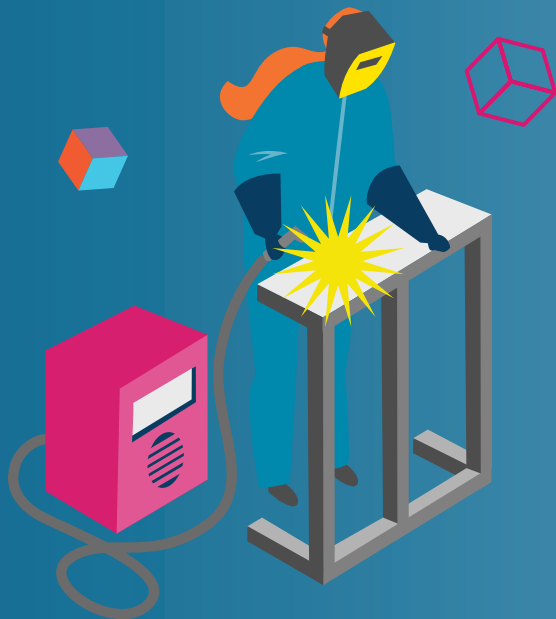


Post-Secondary Competitors



Post-secondary students apply to compete via an online form, with a reference from their training institute. This process encourages apprentices and post-secondary students with a passion for their field to take part in the Provincial Skills Canada Competition. Instructors that work alongside the students can make referrals not only based on grades, but also on attitude and aptitude for success.

The following post-secondary and training institutes had student representation at the 2024 Provincial Skills Canada Competition:



Alberta Pipe Trades College

Bow Valley College

CLAC

CT Centre

Est-Elle Academy

Insulators Local 110

Keyano College

Lakeland College

Lethbridge College

MC College (Calgary, Edmonton, Red Deer)

Medicine Hat College

NAIT

NorQuest College

Northern Lakes College

Northwestern Polytechnic

Olds College

One Beauty Academy

Portage College

Red Deer Polytechnic

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University of Alberta

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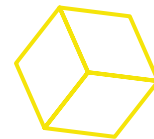
School Field Trips at Skill City

Over 9,300 students from 129 schools toured the 2024 Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC) to gain insight into their trade and technology education and career options. Students are transported to a world of possibilities where they can test drive dozens of career options with our Try-A-Trades® and Try-A-Skills. Observing the high skill level of our competitors inspires students to develop their own inherent skills. Field Trips to the Provincial Skills Canada Competition included:



Skill City

Skill City Skill City at the Provincial Skills Canada Competition is a high energy, informative and interactive career fair for junior and senior high school students who are looking for inspiration and information on what their future careers can become. Skill City bridges the gap between students seeking career information and the leaders within the trade and technology sectors looking to connect with a new generation of skilled talent. The employers, colleges, training institutions, government partners, labour groups and associations featured in Skill City demonstrate the opportunity and skill level required to succeed in Alberta's economy.





Try-A-Trades[®] and Try-A-Skills

Try-A-Trades[®] and Try-A-Skills have developed into a core feature of the Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC). A Try-A-Trade[®] is a simple, interactive demonstration in which participants can try an aspect of a trade. A Try-A-Skill offers students the same type of demonstration in a technology. This part of the event has been popular among school tours and has continually grown each year. Try-A-Trade[®] is a registered trademark of Skills Canada Alberta.



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Try-A-Trades[®] on the
competition floor, including

21

sponsored Try-A-Trades[®]
(Cash and In-kind).

6 Skills Presenter Try-A-Trade[®] Partners:

Carpenters Regional Council, Jardeg, Finning, NAIT, Canadian Natural Resources and Canadian Armed Forces.

2 Skills Maker Try-A-Trade[®] Partners:

PCL and Red Deer Polytechnic.

2 Skills Supporter Try-A-Trade[®] Partners:

Bosch and Keen Creative.

11 Friends of Skills Try-A-Trade Partners[®]:

IBEW Local 424 & EITCA, UA Local 488, Lethbridge College, MacEwan University, Mc College, PGAA, Alberta Academy of Aesthetics, Eagle Builders, Northern Lakes College, EPCOR, and AWMAC.

Team Alberta

May 27-June 1, 2024

The gold medalists from the 2024 Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC) were invited to become a part of Team Alberta and represented to province at the Skills Canada National Competition (SCNC) in Quebec City, QC. Strategic alignment of projects at the regional, provincial and national level ensured our students were prepared for the increasing difficulty of competing at the next level of competition.

Team Alberta medaled in 36 competition areas at the 2024 Skills Canada National Competition.





Ben Rainforth
Bronze medalist, Welding
Red Deer Polytechnic
WorldSkills Lyon, 2024

Team Canada

Representing Canada on the world stage is the highest level of participation in Skills Canada. WorldSkills Competitions and the momentum of the Skills Movement represent the global shift in awareness of the importance of trade and technology careers.

The WorldSkills competition takes place every two years, and in September 2024 will take place in Lyon, France. Young people with exceptional skills in the trades and technologies will come together on the global stage and compete against the best of the best from around the world.

Team Canada for WorldSkills 2024 was selected at the 2023 Skills Canada National Competition. Six of Alberta's post-secondary competitors will be heading to Lyon to represent Team Canada.



COMPETITOR	SCHOOL	CONTEST AREA
Ben Rainforth	Red Deer Polytechnic	Welding
Brooke Potiuk	Brooks Composite High School	3D Digital Game Art
Judy Lan	NAIT	Baking
Noah Harding	SAIT	Plumbing
Tyler Cherkowski	SAIT	Refrigeration & Air Conditioning
Walter Loedeman	Lethbridge College	Heavy Vehicle Technology



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