



JEREMY BRIDGE



WorldSkills Canada Expert

TRADE: Plumbing

INSTITUTE: Lethbridge Polytechnic

COMPETITOR: Kylar Bloomberg

HOMETOWN: Lethbridge, AB

What made you want to represent Canada in your trade at the WorldSkills level as Canada's Expert?

"I enjoy being part of the team that prepares our Plumbing and Heating competitor for WorldSkills. I get a lot of satisfaction from helping them develop their skills and confidence to be the best at their trade. "

Tell us a little about your Skills experience that led you to becoming an Expert.

"I have participated as a trainer for Provincial skills competitions since 2017 and have had some previous competitors win at Provincials and Nationals. It's exciting to watch people perform to the best of their ability even while under the stress and pressure of competition. I wanted to be a part of that at every level of competition."

What do you think sets Canada apart in your trade?

"After experiencing two WorldSkills competitions I feel that one of Canada's biggest advantages in Plumbing and Heating is being able to adapt and problem solve in the moment. We have a variety of different materials and tools that we work with and need to be able to work around many different obstacles to connect our piping correctly. Proficiency at measuring, performing calculations, accuracy, and quality of work are all necessary for day to day activities on the job which are crucial for the competition environment too!"

What are you most looking forward to experiencing in Shanghai, China?

"I always enjoy watching how the other countries excel at the various tasks. Some competitors have speed, some have excellent quality, some have amazing accuracy. And some have all three! It's exciting to see them all perform so well and be proud of their hard work."