



Team Canada Trainer

TRADE: CNC Milling **INSTITUTE:** SAIT

COMPETITOR: Jacob McClelland

HOMETOWN: Calgary, AB

What was the first thing that went through your mind when you realized your competitor made Team Canada?

"I was super excited for Jacob! Watching him compete I knew he had it in him to make Team Canada but to do it and watch everything come together was very exciting."

What made you want to train competitors for Skills competitions?

"I wanted to train competitors for a few reasons. The biggest one was to "pay it forward". I competed several years ago, and I had several trainers invest a ton of time in me and I feel like it's a responsibility and privilege to share what they've taught me and pass it along."

What do you think sets your competitor apart from the others in their skill area?

"Jacob is an extremely talented machinist. Specifically, his programming abilities stand out from his peers. He's also extremely dedicated to the trade which I believe will do him well in training over the next year!"

What are you most excited to experience in Shanghai, China?

"I'm super excited to experience the whole competition! I haven't been to a WorldSkills competition and I'm excited about that. Also just meeting with other professionals from the machining trade from around the world!"