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Where Can Your Skills Take You?



Regional & Qualifying Skills Canada Competitions

High school students competing in Automobile Technology, Baking, Cabinet Making, Carpentry, Culinary Arts, Hairstyling (Junior and Intermediate), Video Production and Welding must qualify through their Regional Skills Canada Competition. Top performers at RSCCs automatically earn a spot to compete at the Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC).

In 2025, Regional Skills Canada Competitions (RSCC) will be divided into nine regions across Alberta:

- Calgary
- Central
- Edmonton
- Lakeland
- North East
- North West
- South East
- South West
- Wood Buffalo

Registration for the
2026 Regional Skills
Canada Competitions
will open on **Jan 7, 2026**
at 3:30 p.m.



Provincial Skills Canada Competition

May 6 & 7, 2026

The Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC) is our flagship event, where skilled high school and post-secondary students from across the province go head to head, testing their talents and showcasing their passion in one of 43 contest areas.

High school students earn the opportunity to compete at the PSCC by earning a spot at a Regional or Qualifying Skills Canada Competition in some events. For other events, they are selected by their teacher to participate. Post-secondary students apply to compete, with a reference from their Technical Institute.

Registration for the PSCC opens on **Jan 14, 2026 at 3:30 p.m.**



Competition Areas

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| • 2D/3D Character Computer Animation ● | • IT – Office Software Applications ●■ |
| • 3D Digital Game Art ● | • Job Search ● |
| • Aerospace Technology ■ | • Job Skill Demonstration ● |
| • Aesthetics ■ | • Joinery ● |
| • Architectural Technology & Design ●■ | • Jr. High Culinary Challenge |
| • Autobody Repair ●■ | • Mechanical CADD ● |
| • Automobile Technology* ●■ | • Mechanical Insulation ■ |
| • Baking* ●■ | • Mechatronics ■ |
| • Bricklaying ■ | • Photography* ● |
| • Cabinet Making* ●■ | • Plumbing ■ |
| • Car Painting ●■ | • Precision Machining ●■ |
| • Carpentry* ●■ | • Public Speaking ● |
| • CNC Machining ■ | • Refrigeration & Air Conditioning ■ |
| • Culinary Arts* ●■ | • Robotics ● |
| • Electrical Installations ●■ | • Sheet Metal Work ■ |
| • Electronics ● | • Sprinkler & Fire Protection Installation ■ |
| • Fashion Technology* ● | • Steamfitter/Pipefitter ■ |
| • Graphic Design ●■ | • Video Production* ● |
| • Hairstyling* ●■ | • Web Design & Development ● |
| • Heavy Vehicle Technology ■ | • Welding* ●■ |
| • Industrial Control ■ | • Workplace Safety ● |
| • Industrial Mechanic/ Millwright ■ | • Welding* ●■ |
| • IT – Network Systems Administration ●■ | |

● High School ■ Post Secondary

* Competitors must first qualify through a Qualifying or Regional Skills Canada Competition.

Team Alberta & Team Canada

Team Alberta

Gold medalists at the PSCC are rewarded with an appointment to Team Alberta and an opportunity to showcase their skills at the Skills Canada National Competition, the qualifying event for WorldSkills International.

The 2026 Skills Canada National Competition is in Toronto, ON, May 27-30, 2026.

Team Canada

Representing Canada on the world stage is the highest level of participation for post-secondary students 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.

Many Team Canada members from Alberta begin their WorldSkills journey in high school at a regional or local competition, returning as apprentices with the confidence and experience to take on the world.



Skills in the Classroom

Bring the energy, passion, and impact of Skills right to your classroom! Our Education Facilitator provides interactive, free presentations where students learn about:

- Career planning for 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 trades and technologies

"I really enjoyed how the presentation highlighted multiple pathways for future schooling and employment."



Visit our website for more details and to schedule your presentation!



Skills Exploration Days

Skills Exploration Days serves to support junior high students at a pivotal point in their education journey. The purpose of the program is to inspire students to identify their inherent skills and interests and connect those to trade and technology careers.

Skills Exploration Days is hosted in three parts:

- An in-classroom Toolbox and interactive Learn-A-Skill Kits in areas like woodworking, fashion technology, sheet metal work and more provide students with skill development activities, and **schools keep the tools!**
- In their classrooms, students will 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 will come together for an interactive live-stream to build a prototype and share their finished projects.

The Skills Exploration Days live-stream will be hosted on December 2, 2025.

Registration for Skills Exploration Days opens on Sept 3, 2025, at SkillsAlberta.com

Try-A-Trade[®] Takeout

Our Try-A-Trade[®] Takeout kits give students the chance to test-drive different careers and learn new skills. With 12 activities to choose from, schools can order up to 4 for their classroom and offer a variety of options to their students! From woodworking to fashion technology, electronics to culinary arts, there's something for everyone!

Each free kit will include the necessary tools & materials for 30 students to complete the activity, as well as instructions and tutorial videos where needed. Schools can order one kit per classroom.

We will have multiple rollouts through the year. Visit SkillsAlberta.com to sign up for access to our order page and to stay informed about our rollout dates.



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"Students enjoy it, and the instructions are always so well laid out and easy to follow. We LOVE it!"

Girls Exploring Trades & Technologies

The Girls Exploring Trades & Technologies (GETT) program is a celebration of women in trade and technology careers.

GETT Gathering // May 7, 2026

Held in conjunction with the Provincial Skills Canada Competition, the GETT Gathering includes keynote speakers, panel discussions, team activities, tours of the competition, Try-A-Trades® and much more.

Registration for the GETT Gathering opens January 14th, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.

GETT in the Classroom

- Registered students will get the chance to test-drive careers and learn new skills through 4 different hands-on Try-A-Trade® Take-Out kits. Kits focus on careers representing various trade and technology sectors, and include instructions and female-led tutorial videos.
- Application opens February 4th at 3:30 p.m. 10 schools across Alberta will be chosen based on the submitted application and needs across the province.



School Field Trips & Skill City

The best career exploration experience in Alberta!
Bring your class to tour Skill City at the 2026
Provincial Skills Canada Competition, May 6 & 7,
2026 at the Edmonton EXPO Centre.

- Hands-on Try-A-Trades® and Try-A-Skills representing 30+ industries.
- Industry and education leader exhibitor booths with valuable information on trade & tech pathways.
- 43 competition areas to watch – Baking, Welding, 3D Digital Game Art and more!



Travel subsidies are
available for your
school to attend! Visit
SkillsAlberta.com for
more information.

Skills Alumni Group of Alberta

If you have participated in a Skills Competition, you are automatically a member of the Skills Alumni Group of Alberta (SAGA), joining a community of like-minded go-getters that strive to be and do better. However, if you are interested in a higher level of engagement, there are more ways to get involved!

- Volunteer opportunities
- Professional Development
- Mentorship opportunities
- Events

Visit SkillsAlberta.com to sign up for SAGA!

