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## **“Skills Canada Newfoundland and Labrador Rewards Excellence”**

***Nearly 100 medals were awarded at Friday’s Skills Canada Provincial Competition***

**ST. JOHN’S, NL** - On Friday, March 23, Skills Canada Newfoundland and Labrador hosted its Skilled Career Day and 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Skills Canada Provincial Competitions, predominately held at College of the North Atlantic- Prince Philip Drive Campus. Over 350 regional finalists from across the province competed in trade, technology and employability skill areas. Most Gold-medal winners earned a spot on Team Newfoundland and Labrador and will compete at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Skills Canada National Competition in Edmonton, Alberta from June 3- 7, 2018.

“It is so inspiring to see the level of excellence with which the young people of our province perform in skilled trades and technologies,” said Carole Ann Ryan, Executive Director of Skills Canada Newfoundland and Labrador. In the past twenty years, Team Newfoundland and Labrador has had a strong showing at the national level, coming home with several medals in a variety of fields. “We are always so proud of Team Newfoundland and Labrador and we are sure this year will be no exception,” added Ryan.

Provincial Competitions in Industrial Mechanic Millwright and Carpentry were previously held on March 14 at Carpenter Millwright College while the Provincial Competitions in Precision Machining and Heavy Equipment Service were held on March 16 at College of the North Atlantic- Placentia Campus. The Mechatronics and Refrigeration Provincial Competitions were held on Friday, March 23 at College of the North Atlantic – Ridge Road Campus while the Cabinetmaking Provincial Competition was held at College of the North Atlantic – Port Aux Basques Campus. Please see “Skills Canada Provincial Competition Results 2018” for more information.

The competitive platform of the Skills Canada Provincial Competition presents a constructive and celebratory venue which inspires students and apprentices to continue the tradition of excellence in fields of skilled trades and technologies. Skills Canada Newfoundland and Labrador (a member of Skills/Compétences Canada) was established in 1998 as part of an effort to maintain Canada’s international competitiveness amidst a declining Canadian labour force. Skills Canada Newfoundland and Labrador receives funding from Employment and Social Development Canada, the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, the Provincial Government and Vale.

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**Photos available upon request**



**SKILLS CANADA  
PROVINCIAL COMPETITION RESULTS 2018**

*Held at College of the North Atlantic – Prince Philip Drive Campus unless otherwise stated*

**BAKING**

***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Kelsey Moase, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Johnathan Smith, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

**COOKING**

***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Gareth Steele, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Andrew Stacey, CNA – Burin

Bronze: Dylan Stone, CNA - Burin

**HAIRSTYLING CHALLENGE**

***Secondary***

Gold: Anna Boland & Amy Goulding, Holy Spirit High School

Silver: Samantha Burse & Sarah Fagan, Queen Elizabeth Regional High

Bronze: Carrie Hookey & Alexandria Fisher, Bishop White School

*(This competition area does not advance to the National Competition)*

**ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGY & DESIGN**

***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Glenda Guest, CNA – Ridge Road

Silver: Vanessa Alexander, CNA – Ridge Road

Bronze: William Flynn, CNA – Ridge Road



## **INDUSTRIAL MECHANIC MILLWRIGHT**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Logan LeGrand, Carpenter Millwright College

Silver: Shane Hynes, CNA - Labrador West

*(Held on Wednesday, March 14 at Carpenter Millwright College)*

## **CARPENTRY**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Kevin Budgell, Carpenter Millwright College

Silver: Mike Newhook, CNA - Clarenville

Bronze: Sonya Bedo, Office to Advance Women Apprentices

*(Held on Wednesday, March 14 at Carpenter Millwright College)*

## **AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Shawn French, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Tyler March, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Bronze: Keith Croft, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

## **ROBOTICS**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Martha Woolfrey & Sarah Carter, Botwood Collegiate

Silver: Brandon Dixon & Colby Pryor, Ascension Collegiate

Bronze: Orthun Okyay & Bethany Drover, Gonzaga High School

## **GRAPHIC DESIGN**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Elaina Edmands, Eric G. Lambert All-Grade

Silver: Melissa Mercer, Holy Spirit High School

Bronze: Devin Pryor, Ascension Collegiate



## **GRAPHIC DESIGN**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Sophie Broders, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Katie Baird, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Bronze: Nicole Pearson, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

## **TV VIDEO PRODUCTION (Team of 2)**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: David Simms & Ryan Littlejohn, Ascension Collegiate

Silver: Laura Pottle & Ashley Howe, Holy Spirit High School

Bronze: Liam Butler & Diego Ortiz, Queen Elizabeth Regional High School

## **ELECTRONICS**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Zach Bennett, Holy Spirit High School

## **IT NETWORK SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATION**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Matthew Buckingham-Bishop, Queen Elizabeth Regional High School

## **IT NETWORK SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATION**

### ***Post – Secondary***

Gold: Anthony Leonard, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

## **IT SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS FOR BUSINESS**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Tiffany Lisiecki, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Erin Bellows, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Bronze: Allison Janes, CNA – Clarenville



### **3D COMPUTER ANIMATION (Team of 2)**

#### ***Secondary***

Gold: Hayley Martin & Keagan Dalley, Carbonear Collegiate / Holy Spirit High School

Silver: Alexandra Sparkes & Moria Costigan, Villanova Junior High

### **2D COMPUTER ANIMATION (Team of 2)**

#### ***Secondary***

Gold: Chelsie Cake and Breanna Tilley, Queen Elizabeth Regional High School

Silver: Cyan Martin & Cahley Warren, Carbonear Collegiate

Bronze: Rebecca Abbott & Dana Stanbridge, MacDonald Drive Junior High

### **MECHATRONICS**

#### ***Post Secondary***

Gold: Kyle Janes & Sean Purchase, CNA – Ridge Road

Silver: Karlene Caines & Scott Cyr, CNA – Ridge Road

*(Held on Friday, March 23 at College of the North Atlantic – Ridge Road Campus)*

### **PUBLIC SPEAKING**

#### ***Secondary***

Gold: Tyler Hiscock, Bishop White School

Silver: Muhammad Mominanwar, MacDonald Drive Junior High

Bronze: Jenna Ryan, Ascension Collegiate

### **JOB SEARCH**

#### ***Secondary***

Gold: Caitlyn Coles, Holy Spirit High School

Silver: Chloe Harris, Ascension Collegiate

Bronze: Rachel Greenslade, Queen Elizabeth Regional High School



## **JOB SKILL DEMONSTRATION**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Laura Keefe, Ascension Collegiate  
Silver: Emma Jacobs, Queen Elizabeth Regional High School  
Bronze: Maggie Drover, Holy Spirit Regional High School

## **WORK PLACE SAFETY**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Megan Coles, Holy Spirit High School  
Silver: Sheridan Clarke, Bishop White School  
Bronze: Eric Burry, Eric G. Lambert All-Grade

## **ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Steven Adams, CNA – Seal Cove  
Silver: Chris Butler, CNA – Happy Valley-Goose Bay  
Bronze: Casey Garcia, CNA – Corner Brook  
*(Held on Friday, March 23 at College of the North Atlantic – Seal Cove Campus)*

## **ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Julia Rose, Holy Spirit High School  
*(Held on Friday, March 23 at College of the North Atlantic – Seal Cove Campus)*

## **REFRIGERATION**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Stephen Kettle, CNA – Ridge Road  
Silver: Jordan Howell, CNA – Ridge Road  
Bronze: Colin Young, CNA – Ridge Road  
*(Held on Friday, March 23 at College of the North Atlantic – Ridge Road Campus)*

## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Ally Wragg, Gonzaga High School  
Silver: Benjamin Smith, Ascension Collegiate  
Bronze: Mikayla Butler, Holy Spirit High



## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Alex Green, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Manfred Kaemmerer, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Bronze: Andy Harding, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

## **CBDC: THE PITCH**

### ***Secondary***

Gold: Lauren Dibbon & Emma McIsaac, Beaconsfield Junior High

Silver: Hayley Fitzgerald & Jessica Duke, St. Kevin's High

Bronze: Adam Burke & Colin Baker, Holy Spirit High School

*(This competition area does not advance to the National Competition)*

## **CBDC: THE PITCH**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Katherine Neil & Ryan Williams, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Samuel Brown & Peter Smith, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Bronze: Nancy Tucker & Nicholas Jacobs, CNA – Clarenville

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## **WELDING**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Travis Osmond, CNA - Port Aux Basques

Silver: Jason Mullet, CNA - Burin

Bronze: James Chiasson, CNA – Labrador West

## **INDUSTRIAL CONTROL**

### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Daniel White, CNA – Ridge Road

Silver: Adam Reid, CNA – Ridge Road

Bronze: Ryan Whelan, CNA – Ridge Road



### **PRECISION MACHINING**

#### ***Post- Secondary***

Gold: Louis Carbage, CNA - Placentia

Silver: Simon Ernst, CNA - Placentia

Bronze: Joshua Kennedy, CNA – Placentia

*(Held on Friday, March 16 at CNA – Placentia Campus)*

### **HEAVY EQUIPMENT SERVICE**

#### ***Post- Secondary***

Gold: Brian Williams, CNA - Placentia

Silver: Steve Pilgrim, CNA – Happy Valley- Goose Bay

Bronze: Jonus Payne, CNA – Bay St. George

*(Held on Friday, March 16 at CNA – Placentia Campus)*

### **CABINET MAKING**

#### ***Post-Secondary***

Gold: Melissa Battiste, CNA – Port Aux Basques

Silver: Dmitri Cuff, CNA – Port Aux Basques

Bronze: Ellen VanDerMeulen, CNA – Port Aux Basques

*(Held on Friday, March 23 at CNA – Port Aux Basques Campus)*

### **WEB DESIGN**

#### ***Secondary***

Gold: Erica Bennett, Holy Spirit High School

### **3D GAME ART**

#### ***Post- Secondary***

Gold: Andrew Miller, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Silver: Jordan Walters, CNA – Prince Philip Drive

Bronze: Perry Easton, CNA – Prince Philip Drive





### **CODING**

#### **Secondary**

Gold: Joey Williams, St. Kevin's High School

Silver: Natasha Lang, Brookside Intermediate

Bronze: Joel Lake, St. Kevin's High School

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### **OUTDOOR POWER**

#### **Secondary**

Gold: Michael Steele, St. Kevin's High School

### **TOP PLACING SCHOOLS**

#### **Secondary**

**1<sup>st</sup> Holy Spirit High School**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Ascension Collegiate**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Queen Elizabeth Regional High School**

#### **Post-Secondary**

**1<sup>st</sup> CNA – Prince Philip Drive**

**2<sup>nd</sup> CNA – Ridge Road**

**3<sup>rd</sup> CNA – Placentia**