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Six high school students take home medals in Virtual Regional Skills Competition

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Six students from both École Secondaire Notre Dame High School and St. Joseph High School will be taking home medals after competing in Virtual Regional Skills. Over the past month, these students have been competing in different Career and Technology Studies (CTS) areas with other schools across Central Alberta.

Gold: First place

- Owen Homan, Grade 10 student - Carpentry - École Secondaire Notre Dame High School
- Nadja Bergstrom, Grade 10 student - Hairstyling (Junior) - St. Joseph High School

Silver: Second place

- Austin Goruk, Grade 10 student - Carpentry - École Secondaire Notre Dame High School

Bronze: Third place

- Abrianna Waddell, Grade 10 student - Culinary Arts - École Secondaire Notre Dame High School
- Eric Scafe, Grade 10 student - Carpentry - École Secondaire Notre Dame High School
- Matteo Montalto, Grade 12 student - Welding - St. Joseph High School

These students will be able to continue onto the [29th Provincial Skills Canada Competition](#) hosted virtually on April 14-23.

“As a school community, we are very proud of Matteo and Nadja. They have worked hard to get to this level and both have bright futures ahead of them. A special thanks to all the teachers and

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volunteers that support Skills Competitions and our youth. It is their support that allows our students' lights to shine," said Principal Graeme Daniel at St. Joseph High School.

"In a year of incredible challenges, we are so impressed with the initiative and dedication of all our students who participated in this year's Skills competition. As Grade 10 students, they have demonstrated tremendous skill and will continue to represent our school and division well in the coming years. Congratulations and thank you to the staff and students involved in this exciting process," said Principal Rose McQuay at École Secondaire Notre Dame High School.

"We are incredibly proud of our students not only for taking home some impressive hardware but more importantly for stepping up and competing in Skills events. It takes an incredible amount of time to prepare for these competitions but students walk away with an impressive skill set that will carry them into future endeavours. We love seeing our students use their God-given talents to excel in their future careers," Jeff Lerouge, Career and Technology Studies Department Head at École Secondaire Notre Dame High School.

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