

WORLDSKILLS TEAM CANADA 2019

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do all Prospects, Trainers, and Experts need to attend and travel to the SCC official WSTC meetings that are scheduled as follow?

- Orientation Meeting (September 2018 in Ottawa, ON)
- Prospect meeting (March 2019 in Montebello, QC)
- WSTC selection event being hosted in conjunction with SCNC 2019 (May 2019 in Halifax, NS)

Yes, all Prospects, Trainers and Experts must attend and travel to all official WSTC meetings. These meetings are mandatory for everyone.

Where and when will the WSTC 2019 Selection Event be held?

It is SCC goal to host the WSTC 2019 Selection Event in conjunction with SCNC 2019 being held in Halifax, NS in May 2019.

Is it possible that a WSTC Selection Event will not be held in conjunction with the SCNC 2019?

Yes, it is possible, but SCC will be making every effort to accommodate all selection events during this time.

Who will be paying for the Prospect expenses for the events above?

SCC will be paying for all eligible expenses.

Is there a document listing eligible expenses?

Yes, Prospects, Trainers and Experts can access the document on the WSTC Forum. If anyone else requires a copy, please contact SCC.

Is the Expert going to manage two Prospects and two Trainers at the same time?

Yes, the Expert will be responsible for providing all the relevant information and guidance to the two competitor Prospects and the two Trainers.

What type of equipment will be used for the WSTC Selection Event?

SCC preference for the WSTC Selection Event is to use the same or similar equipment to what will be used at WorldSkills Kazan 2019.

How are the Prospects going to get exposure to the equipment that will be used at WSC 2019?

SCC will work with WS and SCC partners to try to get Prospects experience on the appropriate equipment. SCC also expects this will happen through support and partnerships that the Prospect and the Trainer are able to develop at the local level.

Will there be international travel/training opportunities?

SCC approach will be for Canada to host an international competitor for a training activity that involves both WSTC Prospects. We do not envision any international travel for Prospects until WorldSkills Kazan 2019.

What information should I provide my employer/school?

The information in the contract that was sent to you should be shared with your employer/school. SCC will also be organizing, in most instances, a face to face meeting with your employer and/or school.

How will Prospects, Trainers and Experts communicate?

A discussion forum will be set-up through the SCC website, we ask all WSTC members to use the forum in place of email and phone calls.

How many WorldSkills Competitions can I compete in?

An individual can only compete once in a WorldSkills Competition.

If my employer/educational institute supports my training how will they be recognized?

All contributions will be recognized as per the SCC guidelines for WorldSkills sponsorships which can be obtained by contacting the SCC Business Development team.

If I have a partner interested in sponsoring my training what is the process?

Either yourself or the interested sponsor is to contact the SCC Business Development team. The Business Development team will ensure the partnership does not conflict with any current SCC partners. WSTC members must use the WSTC forum.

Will I have the same opportunities as the other WorldSkills Prospect in my trade/technology area?

SCC will work with its current partners and will work to establish new partnerships to support your participation, as with any individual endeavour, each individual will have their own strengths and weaknesses. The responsibility to improve will fall upon each individual to build on the support provided by SCC to create their own opportunities that will give them the best chance to succeed.

What do I do if I am contacted by media to do a story on my WSTC participation?

Before doing the interview please contact the SCC and speak to the Business Development and Marketing department.

Who should I contact for any WSTC questions?

You should contact the SCC Competition department. WSTC members must ask their questions on the WSTC discussion forum

What are the benefits to the employer of a Team Canada Prospect?

Team Canada Prospects will be participating in one on one technical training sessions with industry professionals which will result in a higher skill set and a more capable employee. SCC will also be highlighting employers that support their employees in this once in a lifetime endeavour.

What are the benefits to the educational institutions of a Team Canada Prospect?

SCC will be highlighting educational institutions that support their Prospects in this once in a lifetime endeavour. Educational institutions can profile the student in their own publications and demonstrate the high value and relevance of their programs.

ABBREVIATIONS

SCC: Skills/Compétences Canada

WS: WorldSkills International

WSTC: WorldSkills Team Canada

SCNC: Skills Canada National Competition

WSC: WorldSkills Competition

Prospect: A competitor who is participating in the WSTC program. This competitor is selected from the SCNC 2018 in Edmonton, AB.

Trainer: An individual responsible for the day to day training of a Prospect. This Trainer is chosen by the Prospect with the assistance of their respective local Skills office. Each Prospect has one Trainer.

Expert: An individual chosen by SCC to represent SCC prior and during the WorldSkills Competition. The Expert develops the training plan and oversees the training with the Trainer.

WSTC members: Members consist of the Prospects, the Trainers and the Experts