



**ESSENTIAL SKILLS
TALKS**

TUESDAY, MAY 28

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Essential Skills and employability

Hear about how the behavioural skills embedded in the essential skills framework lead to on the job success. Panellists discuss what makes an employee employable. Learn more valuable Essential Skill advice to boost your career in the skilled trades and technology industry.

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Skills Canada National Competition: Celebrity Panel

Back by popular demand!

The Skills Canada National Competition Celebrity Panel is your chance to hear from Celebrity TV Contractor & Women in the Trades Advocate Kate Campbell as well as Sebastian Clovis, former CFL player now host of HGTV's Save My Reno and one of the many faces on the hit show Home to Win. He is also a resident home renovation and DIY expert on The Marilyn Denis Show.

Joining them is Nova Scotia's own Chef Andy Hay. Andy appeared on Masterchef Canada and has since started his own catering company which focuses on delivering authentic East Coast experiences through food.

Find out why they decided to pursue a career in the skilled trades, and how continuous learning is an integral part of a successful career.

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

How do my Essential Skills help me succeed?

Explore why the nine essential skills provide the foundation for learning all other skills and how they are critical to your success. See how the skills developed in school can be adapted to work, especially in skilled trade and technology careers.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

10:00 am – 11:00

Skills Canada National Competition: Alumni

Hear from Skills Canada Past Competitors about their experience at the Skills Canada National Competition: why they're here, why they decided to pursue a career in the skilled trades, and how the essential skills are used in their workplace.

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

Essential Skills and Recruitment

Industry leaders share insights for students and adults looking to enter (or re-enter) the workforce about how the workplace is changing, what employers look for in interviews and resumes. Explore what skills you need to demonstrate the potential for success and how essential skills training can help address the current skills mismatch in Canada.

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

The Evolving Workplace and How Essential Skills can help you adapt.

As technology continues to evolve and automation grows, it's important that all Canadians have the essential skills they need to keep up with the changing demands of the 21st century workplace. Hear from employers about how embedding the nine essential skills into student learning and on the job training can help you adapt as the workplace continues to evolve.