



# 26<sup>th</sup> Skills Canada National Competition

May 28-29, 2020

Vancouver Convention Centre, British Columbia

## What is it?

The Skills Canada National Competition (SCNC) is the only national, multi-trade and technology competition for students and apprentices in the country. During SCNC Canada's best in skilled trades and technologies compete to become the national champion in their respective discipline.

## Why is it happening?

- Provide competitors and student visitors with hands-on experience.
- Get Canada's youth to consider skilled trade and technology careers as a viable, rewarding option.
- Engage with industry leaders, educators and political decision makers.
- Ensure that Canada remains at the forefront of competitive advantage in the global economy.
- Promote awareness of the nine Essential Skills through Try-A-Trade® and Technology activities hosted by educators and industry experts.
- Highlight innovation and the importance of digital literacy and technology driven skills that are crucial to keep pace with the quickly changing job market.
- Encourage under-represented groups including women and indigenous to get involved in the skilled trades and technology industries.

## Highlights

- Free event, open to the public.
- Over 40 competitions representing six sectors: Construction; Employment; Information Technology; Manufacturing and Engineering; Transportation and Service.
- Over 550 secondary and post-secondary competitors from across Canada.
- Several thousands of student visitors from across British Columbia – middle school, high school and post-secondary.
- Over 50 Try-A-Trade® and Technology activities.
- Focus on the importance of the nine Essential Skills: The Essential Skill focus for 2020 is Document Use.
- Essential Skills Stage: Skills Canada partners will highlight their skilled trade or technology through interactive demonstrations.
- Essential Skills Forum, bringing educators and industry representatives together to discuss educating youth on the Essential Skills tie-in to skilled trade and technology occupations.
- "Career Zone" where over 50 industry and educational partners will demonstrate their brand, trade or occupation through interactive activities.
- VIP networking events attended by corporate sponsors, suppliers, industry partners, educators, labour and government stakeholders.
- Industry celebrity attendance and participation.



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