



**2012 NWT-South
Regional Skills Competition**
(South Slave, Deh Cho & Tlicho)

**Student Information
& Registration Package**

Date: February 15th, 2012

Location: Fort Smith, NT
P.W.Kaeser Secondary School
Aurora College – Thebacha Campus

Deadline to register:
January 27th, 2012





January 16th, 2012

To all South Slave, Deh Cho, and Tlicho secondary students,




Skills Canada NWT would like to invite you to test your skills and compete in the...

**2nd Annual 2012 NWT-South Regional Skills Competition
on Wednesday, February 15th, 2012
@ P.W. Kaeser High School & Thebacha Campus in Fort Smith, NT**

As a competitor you will have the opportunity to:

-  compare your skills to those of other South Slave, Deh Cho, and Tlicho youth
-  experience the work environment of a trade or technology that interests you
-  gain access to industry experts (who could become valuable future contacts)
-  make new friends, try new things and win medals!

For all competitors (and one coach/chaperone per 5 competitors), Skills Canada NWT will cover the cost of:

-  Travel to/from Fort Smith (travel method will vary depending on competitors' home communities)
-  Accommodations (will likely be in classrooms at P.W. Kaeser School)
-  Meals on Feb. 15 for everyone and breakfast Feb. 16 for those travelling.

To help cover competition expenses, a **registration fee of \$25** is required from each competitor.

Skills Canada NWT offers Regional Competitions to NWT youth as an opportunity to compete against each other in a fair and fun environment. These one-day Olympic-style competitions are designed for young northerners to test their skills in a trade they have been learning. Students should have experience in their chosen contest but are not expected to be experts at this level. Medal winners in most contest areas may be eligible to advance to the Territorial Skills Competition in Yellowknife on Tuesday, April 17th, 2012.

For more information, check out our promo video @ <http://youtu.be/MWJbuRq3-p4>

This package includes a tentative Competition Schedule, Competition Information, a Student Registration & Consent Form, and a List of Contests and Scopes. **Please help us offer the best possible competition by ensuring all registrations are submitted by January 27th, 2012.**

If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to contact me at your convenience. I can be reached @ 873-8743 or by email @ skillsnt.events@skillscanada.com.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Jessica Schmidt

Events Coordinator

Skills Canada NWT





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The Competition

The Regional Skills Competition is a one-day event that highlights trades and technology careers for students, parents, educators, and the general public. It offers a venue for young northerners to showcase their skills in an Olympic-style skills competition. Secondary students participate in contests designed to test the skills required in various trade and technology occupations.

The philosophy behind the Competition is to:

-  *reward students for excellence;*
-  *raise awareness of the importance and value of skilled trades and technology;*
-  *directly involve industry in evaluating student performance; and*
-  *keep training relevant to employers' needs.*

The winners in most contest areas may be eligible to compete against their peers in the Territorial Skills Competition in Yellowknife on Tuesday, April 17th, 2012.

The Contests

The Regional Skills Competition will host 6-8 industry-sponsored contests, all at the secondary level (grades 9-12). The Workplace Safety contest will also have a junior level for Grade 8 students. Contests will take place in Fort Smith at P.W. Kaeser Secondary School and Aurora College (Thebacha Campus). Exact locations of contests will be announced at a later date.

Tentative NWT-South Regional Skills Competition contests for 2012:

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|  <i>Carpentry</i> |  <i>Photography</i> |  <i>Workplace Safety</i> |
|  <i>Cooking</i> |  <i>Welding</i> |  <i>Hairstyling</i> |
|  <i>Graphic Design</i> |  <i>Small Engine Repair</i> | |

Scopes

Contest criteria are set by industry experts and educators. These standards, or “scopes”, are defined for each contest and are accessible before the competition.

The contest scope sets out all the key information about each specific contest. It outlines...

-  *the purpose of the contest*
-  *the clothing and equipment requirements*
-  *the skills and knowledge required*
-  *the name of technical chair*

The hands-on projects, if applicable, will be posted on the Skills Canada NWT website or can be requested from the Skills Canada NWT office.





It is very important that all competitors review the scopes before the competition to make sure they understand the details and expectations of their particular contest.

2012 Regional Skills Competition scopes will be loaded on the Skills Canada NWT website at www.skillscanadanwt.org as soon as they are available.

Who can participate and costs?

A registration fee of \$25 is required from each competitor. This fee is non-refundable and helps us to offer paid travel and accommodations in Fort Smith, meals on Feb 15th (and breakfast Feb 16th, for travelling competitors), an event t-shirt, and various other supplies and materials associated with the competition. If the fee is a barrier to participation for an individual, please contact Skills Canada NWT to discuss options.

Students are eligible to compete in contests if they:

-  *Are less than 22 years old on December 31st of the year of the competition*
-  *Are currently attending grade 9-12 @ a South Slave, Deh Cho or Tlicho secondary school.*
-  *Have recent training and experience in their chosen contest area through school courses/programs, work, or a Skills Canada NWT Skills Club.*
-  *Have enough skills and experience in their chosen contest area to compete safely and have a positive experience at the competition. It is the responsibility of each candidate's coach/chaperone to ensure that all requirements listed on the scope are attainable by the competitor. **** Unqualified competitors have a higher risk of accident/injury and may benefit less from the experience because they feel discouraged by their inability to do the tasks.***

Participants and their coaches/chaperones will be away from work/school for at least one full day and, in some cases, may require extra time for travel.

Completed registration forms and fees are due **January 27th, 2012**. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Due to limited space in each competition area, Skills Canada NWT reserves the right to limit participation. Contact Skills Canada NWT for more information about contest spaces.

Youth under the age of 18 who travel to Fort Smith for the competition must be accompanied by a coach/chaperone. A minimum of one chaperone is required per five competitors from a school or community; the chaperone may be any adult with no criminal record. Skills Canada NWT will not be responsible for supervision of competitors while in Fort Smith for the Regional Skills Competition.

Competition Day Schedule

Time	Event
Prior to 7:30am	Visiting students staying in school pack up belongings and store them in the area identified by PWK
7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast & Registration of Competitors
8:30 – 9:00	Opening Ceremony & Orientation
9:00 – 12:00	Competition events (Contest sites)
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch for competitors/volunteers/exhibitors
1:00 – 4:00	Competition events (Contest sites)
4:00 – 5:00	Submission of judges' scores & tabulation
5:30 – 7:00	Supper & Closing with medal presentations

Tools, Equipment, and Materials

Each contest scope outlines the tools and equipment, including Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), that will be provided by Skills Canada NWT. It also lists the tools and equipment (including PPE) that **must be provided by the competitors**.

If there is some reason why a competitor is unable to provide his or her own tools and equipment as described in the contest scope, please contact the Skills Canada NWT office before the registration deadline. Staff will work with the competitors to try to find a solution.

Competitors who arrive at the competition without the required tools and equipment, especially PPE, may not be able to compete. If someone is unable to compete because of lack of tools or PPE, please contact the Skills Canada NWT office. Skills Canada NWT may be able to loan the necessary tools and equipment in exchange for a refundable security deposit.

Please note: All personal tools and equipment are the responsibility of the competitor. Skills Canada NWT will not be providing a storage area.

Registration Form (Deadline: January 27th, 2012)

Fully completed registration forms **plus \$25 registration fees** must be received by **January 27th, 2012**. They may be:



Emailed to skillsnt.events@skillscanada.com (include payment details and send payment by mail);



Faxed to (867) 873-8197 (include payment details and send payment by mail); or



Mailed to Skills Canada NWT, PO Box 1403, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2P1

If faxing, please call or email the office to confirm that we have received your faxed registration form; we have occasional problems where faxes don't print and no errors show up on either end.

Territorial Skills Competition

Top medalists at the NWT-South Regional Skills Competition may be eligible to compete at the Territorial Skills Competition in Yellowknife, on April 17th, 2012.

A registration fee of \$50 will be required. Travel, accommodation, a t-shirt, and some meals will be provided by Skills Canada NWT.

For more information on the 2012 Territorial Skills Competition visit www.skillscanadanwt.org.

Skills Canada National Competition

Gold medalists at the Territorial Skills Competition may be eligible to join Team NWT and compete at the Skills Canada National Competition in Edmonton, Alberta from May 13-16th, 2012.

A registration fee of \$250 will be required. Travel, accommodation, team uniform, and some meals will be provided by Skills Canada NWT.

For more information on the 2012 Skills Canada National Competition visit www.skillscanada.com.

2012 REGIONAL SKILLS COMPETITION REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRATION FORMS AND \$25.00 REGISTRATION FEE DUE BY JANUARY 27th, 2012

CONTEST AREA (ex. Carpentry, Cooking)					
First Name			Last Name		
Mailing address					
City	Territory	Postal Code	Phone		
Email Address			Date of Birth	Grade	Gender (M/F)
School		Coach / Advisor's Name <i>(who you have been training with, not your chaperone)</i>			
Coach / Advisor's Phone		Coach / Advisor's Email			
Emergency Contact		Phone Day		Phone Evening	
T-Shirt Size <i>Men's standard sizes</i>					
*Health Card #		<i>*Health card numbers are requested in case of a medical emergency so treatment is as fast as possible. This information is kept confidential and is not used for other purposes.</i>			
<p>Do you have any of the following?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Food restrictions <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Medical conditions that would affect your ability to participate <input type="checkbox"/> Special needs (physical, language, etc.)</p> <p>If any of the above exist, please specify below:</p>					
<h2>PARTICIPANT CONSENT</h2> <p>It is with the spirit of being a proud and meaningful participant that I agree to these rules and conditions. Having read and understood completely the Skills Competition participant Rules and Conditions, including specifically the Skills Canada NWT 'Code of Conduct', 'Liability and Medical Release' and 'Photo Release', I hereby agree to follow the procedures and practices described.</p>					
<hr/> <u>Student's Signature</u>		<hr/> <u>*Parent / Guardian</u>		<hr/> <u>Date</u>	
<p><small>*If you are under 18 years of age, you MUST have a parent or guardian signature.</small></p> <p><small>** Should the competitor travel to the event and not show up at the competition or shows up at the competition without the ability to compete, the Competitor or Parent/Guardian if the Competitor is under 18 years of age, will be responsible for reimbursing Skills Canada NWT the full cost of the participant's travel and accommodation.</small></p>					

Optional Information

We want to know whether participation in our programs reflects the cultural diversity of the NWT. For this reason, Skills Canada NWT is asking people to **voluntarily** identify their race/ethnicity. The answer can be as specific or as general as you want, for example "Métis", "Scottish, English, French and Portuguese", "Tlicho", "Chinese", "Caucasian", "Asian", "Aboriginal", etc. This information will be kept **confidential** and will be used for anonymous statistics only. If you have any questions about how this information will be used, please call Jan Fullerton @ 873-8743.

I would describe my race/ethnicity as: _____

Skills Competition Participant Rules and Conditions

We are proud of our students and know that by signing and returning the “Regional Skills Competition Registration Form” you agree to this ‘Code of Conduct’ and are simply reaffirming your dedication to be the best representative possible. As a participant you must agree to follow Skills Canada NWT rules and conditions or you may not be allowed to attend and participate.

As a participant in a Skills Canada NWT Skills Competition, I have read, understand, and agree to the following terms:

Liability & Medical Release

I acknowledge that I am medically fit and I have no medical conditions that would interfere with my attendance at the Skills Competition and acknowledge my responsibility to disclose any medical condition that could compromise my safety or the safety of others while I attend or participate in Skills Canada NWT activities.

I confirm that I am responsible for my own health and acknowledge my responsibility to ensure that I protect myself from any allergies or health concerns which may affect my ability to participate in Skills Canada NWT activities.

I agree to release Skills Canada NWT, its representatives, agents, and employees from liability for any personal injury that may occur while attending any Skills Canada NWT activities, including travel to and from these activities, unless the injury or damage results from deliberate acts of Skills Canada NWT representatives, agents, and employees.

I authorize Skills Canada NWT to follow necessary emergency medical procedures or treatment using good faith and best judgment. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Skills Canada NWT for any and all claims, demands, actions, rights of action, and/or judgments arising from or on account of these emergency medical procedures and/or treatment that were done in good faith and according to accepted medical standards.

Photo Release

I agree that any images or videos of me, taken during the course of this Skills Canada NWT activity, become the property of Skills Canada NWT and may be used and reproduced by Skills Canada in promotional materials, including print, online and social media.

Code of Conduct

Skills Canada NWT wants every participant to have an enjoyable experience with maximum attention on safety and comfort. All individuals representing Skills Canada NWT will be expected to behave in a way that reflects well on the organization.

The following “Code of Conduct” has been established by Skills Canada NWT and must be followed at all times.

- 1. My conduct will be exemplary at all times.**
- 2. I will attend all activities for which I am assigned and will be on time.**
- 3. I will listen and follow all instructions from coaches, advisors and chaperones.**
- 4. I will adhere to the dress code at all times as required.**
- 5. I will spend each night in the accommodation to which I am assigned.**
- 6. I will respect all public and private property, including the accommodation to which I am assigned.**
- 7. I will not use alcohol and/or drugs (except those prescribed by a doctor).**

I acknowledge that my Advisor/Chaperone is responsible for me from my home departure point and throughout the competition until my return to my original point of departure.

I understand that if I violate the Code of Conduct for any reason, I may be asked to leave the event or activity, and consequently may be excluded from all further Skills Canada NWT events or activities. In addition, I understand that I may be sent home at my own expense and that I shall be responsible for any costs incurred by Skills Canada NWT on my behalf.