



## Skills Canada Alberta Programs

Skills Canada Alberta (SCA) is a culture of excellence leading the way for Alberta youth to identify, explore and select trade and technology career options as a first choice career path. We create solid partnerships with industry, education, government, and labour to invest in the future of Alberta.

### In-School Programming

To create a culture in which students are encouraged to explore practical, hands-on skills, we offer a variety of programming to junior high schools, high schools, and post-secondary institutions.

SCA's **Skills in the Classroom** presentations highlight the benefits of trade and technology careers to high school students, and provide information on the Regional, Provincial, National and WorldSkills Competitions.

**Skills Days**, a hands-on experiential learning opportunity targeted to junior high students, focuses on design thinking and how trades are essential to solving problems and building communities.

### Skills Competitions

Hundreds of teachers across Alberta have discovered Skills Canada competitions as an influential tool to motivate students to pursue a new level of personal excellence.

SCA hosts nine **Regional Skills Canada Competitions** for 900 competitors across Alberta to qualify students to compete provincially.

The **Provincial Skills Canada Competition (PSCC)**, SCA's flagship event, gives high school and post-secondary students the chance to put their skills to the test. Held at Edmonton's EXPO Centre, close to 700 competitors specialize in one of 45 unique trade or technology event areas that range from heavy equipment service to photography, and from carpentry to culinary arts.

In 2015, more than 14,000 students from across Alberta toured the PSCC on a field trip, watching competitors, participating in **Try-A-Trades®**, and connecting to potential employers in **Skill City**.

## 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PROVINCIAL SKILLS CANADA COMPETITION

MAY 10 & 11, 2017

**654 COMPETITORS**

496 SECONDARY STUDENTS 158 POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS

**44 TRY-A-TRADES®**

**45 EVENTS**

**14,000 TOTAL ATTENDANCE**