



# 28th Skills Manitoba Provincial Competition

April 9, 2026

## WHO IS SKILLS CANADA MANITOBA?

Skills Canada Manitoba is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that works with youth, parents, communities, industry and government to increase awareness of the rewarding careers available in skilled trades and technologies.



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## WHAT IS THE SKILLS MANITOBA PROVINCIAL COMPETITION?

The Skills Manitoba Competition is a one day event that provides young Manitobans the opportunity to showcase their talents in an Olympic-style, province wide contest, held at Red River College Polytech. Students compete in over 40 different hands on contests at the secondary and post secondary/apprentice level that are designed (and judged) by industry professionals and educators. The philosophy behind the competition is to reward students, involve industry and to keep training relevant for employers' needs. Winners of the provincial competition may form Team Manitoba and compete against their peers at the Skills Canada National Competition.

## Who Can Participate?

Contests are open to students who meet all the criteria (see below) for the level at which they wish to participate. Some contests have limits to the numbers of students (i.e. one student per contest, school), in which case we suggest an “in-school” competition run off.

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Competitors are eligible to register in a SECONDARY LEVEL contest if they:

- Have taken a skilled trades or technology program related to the contest as part of their core high school course any time from July 2025 to present; and
- Be less than 22 years of age on December 31st of the year of the Competition
- Are currently attending a secondary school in Manitoba; and
- Canadian citizens, permanent residents (landed immigrants), protected persons and international students have the right to compete at the Skills Manitoba Competition

Note: If home residence is a province or territory other than Manitoba, a waiver must be signed to indicate that the competitor will not represent their home province or territory at the 2026 Provincial and National Skills competitions.

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Competitors are eligible to register in a POST-SECONDARY LEVEL contest as follows:

- Canadian citizens, permanent residents (landed immigrants), protected persons and international students have the right to compete at the Skills Manitoba Competition

### Non-Apprenticeable Skills

A competitor must be a registered student with a training institution in a related program in the skill in which they wish to compete at any time between July 1st of the previous year of the provincial competition and the date of the current provincial competition.

### Apprenticeable Skills

A competitor must be registered in a pre-apprenticeship program or be a registered apprentice in the trade (skill) in which they wish to compete at any time between July 1st of the previous year of the provincial competition and the date of the current provincial competition.

Competitors must not be a certified journey person prior to April 1st of the Provincial Competition year, in the skill area in which they wish to compete. Please note: Skills Canada’s definition of a certified journey person is someone who has received one or more of the following from their

Provincial/Territorial issuing Authority;

- Journeyman Certificate
- Certificate of Qualification
- Confirmation of Apprenticeship Completion Letter
- Completion Letter
- Or any other documentation confirming completion of an apprenticeable skill area

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**Scope of testing** Criteria for each contest (contest descriptions) are developed by volunteer industry professionals and trade and technology educators and reflect standards recognized provincially, nationally, and, in some cases, internationally. Contest Descriptions are to be reviewed by the competitor well in advance of the competition to understand all the contest parameters, such as skills requirements and knowledge level, accepted tools and appropriate dress.

*Please note that (2) beside a contest name indicates that this contest requires a two-person team.*

*This is a preliminary list of contests. Changes may occur.*

*\*Provincial competition only*

#### MANUFACTURING AND ENGINEERING

| Contest # | Contest Name               | Level |   |
|-----------|----------------------------|-------|---|
| 01        | Industrial Mechanics       |       | P |
| 03        | Precision Machining        | S     | P |
| 04        | Mechatronics (2)           |       | P |
| 05        | Mechanical Engineering CAD | S     | P |
| 06        | CNC Machining              |       | P |
| 23        | Mobile Robotics (2)        | S     |   |

#### EMPLOYMENT

| Contest # | Contest Name            | Level |  |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--|
| 83        | Job Search              | S     |  |
| 84        | Job Skill Demonstration | S     |  |
| 85        | Public Speaking         | S     |  |
| 92        | Workplace Safety        | S     |  |

#### CONSTRUCTION

| Contest # | Contest Name                        | Level |   |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|---|
| 10        | Welding                             | S     | P |
| 15        | Plumbing                            |       | P |
| 18        | Electrical Installations            | S     | P |
| 20        | Bricklaying                         |       | P |
| 24        | Cabinetmaking                       | S     | P |
| 26        | Carpentry                           | S     | P |
| 37        | Landscape Gardening (2)             |       | P |
| 38        | Refrigeration and Air Conditioning  |       | P |
| 43        | Sheet Metal Work                    |       | P |
| 52        | Architectural Technology and Design | S     | P |
| 55        | Sprinkler Fitter                    |       | P |
| 81        | Steamfitter/Pipefitter              |       | P |

#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

| Contest # | Contest Name                           | Level |    |
|-----------|----------------------------------------|-------|----|
| 16        | Electronics                            | S     | P  |
| 17        | Web Technologies                       | S     | P* |
| 39        | IT Network Systems Administration      | S     | P  |
| 40        | Graphic Design Technology              | S     | P  |
| 50        | 3D Digital Game Art                    |       | P  |
| 54        | Photography                            | S     | P  |
| 82        | Video Production (2)                   | S     |    |
| 87/88     | 3D 2D Character Computer Animation (2) | S     |    |
| D1        | Game Design                            | S*    |    |

#### TRANSPORTATION

| Contest # | Contest Name                           | Level |   |
|-----------|----------------------------------------|-------|---|
| 13        | Autobody Repair                        | S     | P |
| 14        | Aerospace Technology                   |       | P |
| 33        | Automobile Technology                  | S     | P |
| 36        | Car Painting                           | S     | P |
| 49        | Heavy Vehicle Technology               |       | P |
| 53        | Outdoor Power and Recreation Equipment | S     | P |

#### SERVICE

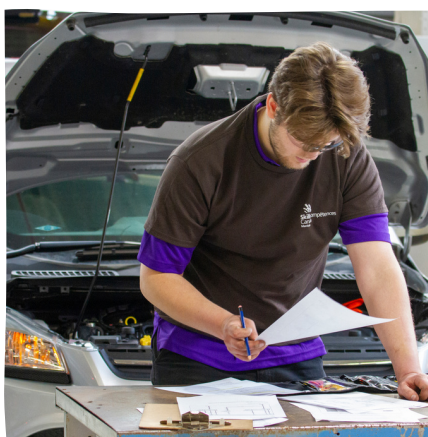
| Contest # | Contest Name                 | Level |    |    |
|-----------|------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| 29        | Hairstyling                  | B*    | S  | P  |
| 30        | Aesthetics (Nail Technology) |       | S* | P* |
| 30        | Aesthetics (Skin Care)       |       |    | P  |
| 32        | Baking                       |       | S  | P  |
| 34        | Cooking                      |       | S  | P  |
| 31        | Fashion Technology           |       | S  | P* |

List as of September 2025

## INTERACTIVE SCHOOL TOURS:

Red River College Polytech will host interactive school tours of the contest sites and the College's facilities on April 9, 2026. Tours will include knowledge challenges and hands on activities that will encourage learning about trades and technology careers. You'll get a birds eye view of the competition and what goes into it. To book a group tour please contact Ainslee at the Skills Manitoba office @ 204-927-0250 or by e-mail at [skillsmb@skillsmanitoba.ca](mailto:skillsmb@skillsmanitoba.ca) Please book early as tour numbers are limited. The deadline to book is March 20, 2026.

**\*\*Please note:** Tours are available at the Notre Dame Campus only.



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## HOW DO I REGISTER FOR THE 2026 SKILLS MANITOBA COMPETITION?

To register head to the following link:  
<https://skillsmanitoba.ca/competitions/>

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## SKILLS CANADA NATIONAL COMPETITION QUALIFIERS

Gold medal winners may qualify to progress to the Skills Canada National Competition. In the event that a gold medal winner cannot attend the silver medal winner may qualify to participate. The Skills Canada National Competition will be held May 27–May 30, 2026 in Toronto, Ontario! Students that will be attending the Skills Canada National Competition should begin training immediately after the provincial competition using the national contest description document as their guide.