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SkillsUSA NEBRASKA ANNOUNCES 2019 LEADERSHIP AND SKILLS NATIONAL CONFERENCE WINNERS AND NATIONAL OFFICER

Students and advisors from around the country, including 170 from Nebraska, participated in the SkillsUSA Championships, held June 24-28 in Louisville, KY. The 55th Annual SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC) is a showcase of skilled and technical sciences students. More than 6,400 students competed in 103 trade, technical, and leadership fields.

Nebraska students received 35 gold, silver, and bronze medallions and 36 top 10 finishers. SkillsUSA Nebraska brought home 87 individual Skill Point Certificates awarded in 72 occupational and leadership areas to students who achieved a benchmark score defined by the industry. Jarod Harris, a student from Seward, Nebraska was elected as a SkillsUSA national officer.

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers, and industry representatives working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA is a national student organization that serves trade, industrial, technical, and health occupation students and promotes understanding of the free enterprise system and involvement in community service activities. SkillsUSA has more than 360,000 members nationwide in colleges, high schools, and middle schools, covering 130 trades, technical, and skilled service occupations.

SkillsUSA High School National Officer for 2019-2020:

Jarod Harris – Seward High School

Nebraska medal winners are:

1st Place – Gold medalists

Carpentry

Bret Gleason

Metropolitan Community College

Commercial Baking

Hanna Christiansen

The Career Academy – Lincoln

Opening and Closing Ceremonies

Rebecca Ady, Jestynne Crankshaw, Carli Fudge, Mia Hilber-Hansmeier, Sarah Phares, Hannah Rosenof, Kainin Wilson

North Platte High School

Robotics Urban Search and Rescue – College/Technical

Miles Bossman, Joseph Walsh

Northeast Community College – Norfolk

2nd Place – Silver medalists

Carpentry

Zachary Lagasse

The Career Academy

Information Technology Services – College/Technical

Kody Salak

Northeast Community College – Norfolk

Medical Math

Sarah Altman

Papillion-La Vista High School

Mobile Robotic Technology – College/Technical

Ahmed Abdulkadir, Kyle Lentz

Northeast Community College – Norfolk

3rd Place – Bronze medalists

Additive Manufacturing

Justin Marrow, Jordan West

Millard North High School

Cabinet Making – College/Technical

Derek Summers

Wayne State College

Chapter Display College/Technical

Eric Harris, Matthew Lane, Jose Villa

Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Extemporaneous Speaking

Alexandra Saathoff

York High School

Job Skills Demonstration A – Middle School

Faith King

Unified School District #1 – Orchard

Mobile Robotic Technology

Isaac Beacom, Tanner Sasse

Benson High School

TeamWorks – College/Technical

Dakota Franks, Keenan Lieneman, Pedro Nunez, Jerrod Puncochar

Central Community College – Hastings

Web Design

Austin Dobrusky, Eddie Lee

Seward High School

Welding Fabrication

Logan Davidson, Nolan Mattingly, Andrew Nelson

Metropolitan Community College – Omaha

Full results can be found on the SkillsUSA website.

<https://www.skillsusa.org/competitions/skillsusa-championships/results/>

Skill Point Certification Winners:

Middle School:

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| Winter Bencoter | Theford Public School |
| Bralee Jepsen | Theford Public School |
| Brooke Milam | Theford Public School |
| Faith King | Unified School District #1 – Orchard/Clearwater |

High School:

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| Rebecca Maring | Anselmo-Merna High School |
| Drew Persigehl | Bennington High School |
| Matt Brown | Bennington High School |
| Evan Buck | Bennington High School |
| Caleb Grundman | Bennington High School |
| Jacob Rabey | Bennington High School |
| Isaac Beacom | Benson High School |
| Tanner Sasse | Benson High School |
| Shaun Clemens | Columbus High School |
| Aiden Cromwell | Columbus High School |
| Reiley Reed | Louisville High School |
| Cheyenne Purchase | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Nathan Blizzard | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Parker Brown | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Jose Roberto Zapata Guillen | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Logan Davidson | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Nolan Mattingly | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Andrew Nelson | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Alex Matzke | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Justin Marrow | Millard North High School |
| Jordan West | Millard North High School |
| Noa Jurgens | Norris High School |
| Rebecca Ady | North Platte High School |
| Jestynne Crankshaw | North Platte High School |
| Carli Fudge | North Platte High School |
| Mia Hilber-Hansmeier | North Platte High School |

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| Sarah Phares | North Platte High School |
| Hannah Rosenof | North Platte High School |
| Kainin Wilson | North Platte High School |
| Emery Tenganhwaye | Papillion – La Vista High School |
| Jacob Maguire | Papillion – La Vista High School |
| Jack Rollin | Papillion – La Vista High School |
| Nolan Stengel | Papillion – La Vista High School |
| Sarah Altman | Papillion – La Vista High School |
| Austin Lubbers | Papillion – La Vista High School |
| Abigail Goss | Papillion – La Vista South High School |
| Andrew Alley | Seward High School |
| Nolan Whitney | Seward High School |
| Zachery Lagasse | The Career Academy – Lincoln |
| Hannah Christiansen | The Career Academy – Lincoln |
| Trenton Kriz | The Career Academy – Lincoln |
| Fatima Ayal | The Career Academy – Lincoln |
| Madison Melcher | Unified School District #1 – Orchard/Clearwater |
| Clay Riley | Waverly High School |
| Zach Brunssen | Waverly High School |
| Alexandra Saathoff | York High School |
| Anthonie Gomez | York High School |

College/Technical:

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| Dakota Franks | Central Community College – Hastings |
| Keenan Lienemann | Central Community College – Hastings |
| Pedro Nunez | Central Community College – Hastings |
| Jerrod Puncochar | Central Community College – Hastings |

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| Bret Gleason | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Eric Harris | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Matthew Lane | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Jose Villa | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Alex Jarrett | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Chandler Cannon | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Nikolay Dimitrov | Metropolitan Community College – Omaha |
| Trevor Dempster | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Sam Knoll | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Joseph Stellato | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Luke Jacobsen | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Emma Meisenheimer | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Madison Siedschlag | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Noah Wilcox | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Derek Mahoney | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Connor Wuebben | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Anthony Buresh | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Kody Salak | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Miles Bossman | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Joseph Walsh | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Riley Gomez | Northeast Community College – Norfolk |
| Martin Beltran | Southeast Community College – Lincoln |
| Derek Summers | Wayne State College |
| Zach Miller | Wayne State College |

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