

# ***SKILLS CENTER***

## ***PRESS RELEASE***

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### **Skills Center Students Medal at State Competition**

Students from the Clark County Skills Center earned medals at the recent Washington State Skills USA competition in Tacoma. Four programs – Automotive Technology, Diesel Technology, Construction Technology and Pre-Engineering Design Technology – were represented.

Jason Brommenschenkel, a senior from La Center High School, took first place in Automotive Maintenance while Drew Malbica, an Evergreen High School senior, finished third in Automotive Technology.

In Diesel Technology Competition, Cory Davis, a Columbia River senior, was runner-up in Diesel Skills. Skyview junior Amelia Harbin sang the National Anthem for the assembly.

From Ridgefield High School, junior Adam Rushing placed third in the Carpentry Competition.

A five-member team from the Skills Center Pre-Engineering Design Technology program came in second in the Quiz Bowl. The Silver Medallists included Daniel Hoover, a Hockinson High School senior; Jeff Seifert, a home-schooled junior; Paul Hildebrand, a Washougal High School senior; Clara Happs, a junior from Washougal High School and Brad Valdez, a Fort Vancouver High School junior.

Three students from the Pre-Engineering Design Technology program took home the third place Bronze Medal in Automated Manufacturing: Samuel Weiss, an Evergreen High School senior; Derek Coffield, a Heritage High School senior and Paul Hildebrand, the senior from Washougal High School.

Opened in 1983, the Skills Center is owned and operated by ten southwest Washington school districts providing technical and professional training programs that prepare Clark County high school and college students for the workforce.