

SKILLS CENTER PRESS RELEASE

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Skills Center Students Shine on National Stage

Automotive Technology students from the Clark County Skills Center in Vancouver made an impressive and statewide showing in testing for certification as ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) technicians.

The tests were given in a 4-test battery. Of 16 Skills Center students taking the test, 14 passed all four tests – something that only 190 other students *nationally* were able to do. The Clark County Skills Center had the third highest number of students from any school in the *nation* passing all four tests (only New York and Arizona schools had more). And the Skills Center was the *only* school in *Washington State* to have any students pass the four tests.

To qualify to take the tests, students passed through a rigorous two year program at the Skills Center using state-of-the-art equipment and technology to learn and execute all facets of auto repair, maintenance and safety.

For more information, contact Automotive Technology instructor Kirk Vangelder and/or Skills center director Dennis Kampe at (360) 254-5365.

The Skills Center, located at 12200 NE 28th Street in Vancouver, is owned and operated by eight southwest Washington school districts. It provides technical and professional training programs to prepare Clark County high school and college students for the workforce.