

Workforce Development Update

Members Making a Difference



This issue features detailed coverage from AGC Georgia's recent Skills Challenges. Mark your calendar and plan to be a part of the Challenges planned for November 2018!

- ▶ Central Georgia/Southern Crescent Workforce Development Alliances' Skills Challenge
November 1, 2018 in Griffin
- ▶ Northeast Georgia Workforce Development Alliance Skills Challenge
November 8, 2018 in Gainesville
- ▶ East Georgia Workforce Development Alliance Skills Challenge
November 15, 2018 in Augusta
- ▶ South/Southwest Georgia Workforce Development Alliances' Skills Challenge
November 28, 2018 in Moultrie





This past fall, AGC Georgia's regional Workforce Development Alliances hosted Skills Challenges in Augusta, Gainesville, Griffin and Moultrie. These four events allowed more than **420 students to compete**, representing **54 high schools**, in electrical, carpentry, plumbing, masonry, welding, A/V production and Team Works.

Several AGC Georgia member firms devoted hundreds of hours to make these member-driven challenges a huge success. Each of these events helped prepare students who competed in their regional SkillsUSA event this January. Winners of the regional events move on to the state SkillsUSA competitions in late March at the Georgia International Convention Center.

Overall, the skills challenges drew nearly **800 student observers** and dozens of influencers. Many of these students were observers this year and plan to compete in November 2018. Helping make these events a huge success is the **more than \$114,000 in contributions** made to the AGC Georgia Foundation by approximately **200 industry firms**.

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- Trinity Safety Management Services
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- Two State Construction Company
- Tulsa Welding School Jacksonville
- Tyson Steel Building Products, Inc.
- United Rentals, Inc.
- Universal Engineering Sciences
- Universatech Electrical Co., Inc.
- Valdosta Comm. Doors & Hardware
- Valdosta Mechanical Co., Inc.
- Webco Electric Construction
- Willett Engineering
- Wiregrass Electric, Inc.
- Wiregrass Georgia Technical College
- WLS Construction Inc.
- Yohe Plumbing, Heating & Air

Central Georgia & Southern Crescent Workforce Development Alliances' Skills Challenge

Fast Facts

November 2, 2017
Kiwanis Fairgrounds in Griffin, GA

Host Partners

Sheridan Construction
Swofford Construction, Inc.

Overall Winner:

Mary Persons High School

- » 13 competing high schools
- » 78 competitors
- » 218 student observers
- » \$16,250 in sponsorship contributions

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This region's Skills Challenge hosted student competitions in six categories. Students from the following high school construction programs earned medals for their work.

Blue Print Reading

- 1st – Lee County High School
- 2nd – Mary Persons High School
- 3rd – Mary Persons High School

Carpentry

- 1st – Mary Persons High School
- 2nd – Mary Persons High School
- 3rd – Crisp County High School

Electrical

- 1st – Griffin High School
- 2nd – Upson-Lee High School
- 3rd – Mary Persons High School

Masonry

- 1st – Peach County High School
- 2nd – Mary Persons High School
- 3rd – Griffin High School

Plumbing

- 1st – Crisp County High School
- 2nd – Mary Persons High School
- 3rd – Griffin High School

Welding

- 1st – Putnam County High School
- 2nd – Baldwin County High School
- 3rd – Lee County High School

Northeast Georgia Workforce Development Alliance Skills Challenge

This region's Skills Challenge hosted student competitions in seven categories. Students from the following high school construction programs earned medals for their work.

A/V Production

- 1st – Johnson High School
- 2nd – Lumpkin Co. High School
- 3rd – Johnson High School

Carpentry

- 1st – Gainesville High School
- 2nd – Johnson High School
- 3rd – Madison County High School

Electrical

- 1st – Gilmer High School
- 2nd – Madison County High School
- 3rd – Chestatee High School

Masonry

- 1st – Flowery Branch High School
- 2nd – Lanier College & Career Academy
- 3rd – Johnson High School

Plumbing

- 1st – Madison County High School
- 2nd – Lanier College & Career Academy
- 3rd – Johnson High School

Team Works

- 1st – Flowery Branch High School
- 2nd – Lanier College & Career Academy
- 3rd – Johnson High School

Welding

- 1st – Madison County High School
- 2nd – Madison County High School
- 3rd – Lumpkin County High School

Fast Facts

November 9, 2017

Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center
Gainesville, GA

Host Partners

Bowen & Watson, Inc.
Carroll Daniel Construction

Overall Winner:

Flowery Branch High School

» 13 competing high schools

» 100 competitors

» 200 student observers

» \$18,750 in sponsorship contributions

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East Georgia Workforce Development Alliance Skills Challenge



This region's Skills Challenge hosted student competitions in seven categories. Students from the following high school construction programs earned medals for their work.

Carpentry

- 1st – Evans High School
- 2nd – Statesboro High School
- 3rd – Lincoln County High School

Electrical

- 1st – Evans High School
- 2nd – West Laurens High School
- 3rd – Lincoln County High School

Masonry

- 1st – West Laurens High School
- 2nd – Statesboro High School
- 3rd – Lincoln County High School

Plumbing

- 1st – West Laurens High School
- 2nd – West Laurens High School
- 3rd – Jefferson Co. High School

Welding - ADV

- 1st – T.W. Josey High School
- 2nd – Evans High School
- 3rd – Lincoln County High School

Welding - BEG

- 1st – Evans High School
- 2nd – Lincoln County High School
- 3rd – Grovetown High School + Hephzibah High School (tie)

Welding - FAB

- 1st – Hephzibah High School
- 2nd – Evans High School
- 3rd – Lincoln County High School

Fast Facts

November 16, 2017

Augusta Exchange Club Fairgrounds
Augusta, GA

Host Partners

R.W. Allen, LLC and GoldMech

Overall Winner Construction Cup:

Evans High School

Overall Winner Welding Cup:

Hephzibah High School

» 11 competing high schools

» 80 competitors

» 300 student observers

» \$56,850 in sponsorship contributions

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South Georgia & Southwest Georgia Workforce Development Alliances' Skills Challenge

Fast Facts

November 30, 2017
Sunbelt AG Expo in Moultrie, GA

Host Partners

JCI Contractors
Tulsa Welding School Jacksonville

Overall Winner:

Tift County High School

- » 17 competing high schools
- » 162 competitors
- » 70 student observers
- » \$22,750 in sponsorship contributions

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This region's Skills Challenge hosted student competitions in five categories. Students from the following high school construction programs earned medals for their work.

Carpentry

1st – Crisp County High School
2nd – Tift County High School
3rd – Crisp County High School

Electrical

1st – Crisp County High School
2nd – Crisp County High School
3rd – Colquitt Co. High School

Masonry

1st – Camden Co. High School
2nd – Peach Co. High School
3rd – Tift Co. High School

Plumbing

1st – Crisp County High School
2nd – Colquitt Co. High School
3rd – Lee County High School

Welding

1st – Lee County High School
2nd – Ware County High School
3rd – Camden Co. High School

