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SkillsUSA Championship Winners Announced

ITEEA Partners with intelitek for Engineering Technology Challenge

Reston, Virginia, June 30, 2011. The winners of the annual SkillsUSA Championships in Engineering Technology were announced June 24, 2011 at the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference in Kansas City, MO. Over 5,600 students competed in the Championship.

ITEEA is very pleased to be a partner in the leadership of the SKILLS Engineering Technology Challenge with intelitek. The Challenge is another way for ITEEA to promote technology and engineering within the career and technical education community. Many of the Challenge students are former technology and engineering students who are currently pursuing career and technical education. ITEEA serves as one of the Challenge content leaders by providing expertise in line with the focus of Engineering byDesign™. Engineering byDesign™ (EbD™) is ITEEA's major effort to provide quality curriculum and professional development to the technology and engineering education community. This STEM-based standards work is content-driven using *Standards for Technological Literacy*. EbD™ is a complete K-12 curriculum designed by teachers for teachers in most school laboratory settings.

In the Engineering Technology Challenge, a team of three students demonstrated their ability to design an innovative engineering project and present those ideas along with a display and live model. During the presentation, students were judged on their performance as a professional team, presentation of their project to a panel of judges from the engineering field, their storyboard presentation model, and the overall effect of the presentation. Fifty-one students comprised the 17 teams that competed in the Challenge.

ITEEA member and Past President, Gary Wynn, DTE served as Chair of the national technical committee for the Engineering Technology Challenge.



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Pictured above is one of the competing teams.

Top finishers in the High School Division were:

- Gold – Christopher Vaughn, Addison Mullins, and Elliot Butcher from the Academy of Careers and Technology, Beckley, WV.
- Silver – Sean Varela, Caston Casey, and Logan Hanson from Sequin High School, Sequin, TX.
- Bronze – Khadar Mohamed, Katherine Rucker, and Kyle McLaughlin from South-Western Career Academy, Columbus, OH.

Top finishers in the College/Postsecondary Division were:

- Steven Schmitt, Brooks McAllister, and Matthew Mele from Florida's Manatee Technical Institute.

For more information about ITEEA or the SkillsUSA Championship, go to www.iteea.org.

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