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Augusta Technical College Announces 2022-2023 SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference Winners

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SkillsUSA empowers its nearly 400,000 members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens through the development of personal, workplace, and technical skills grounded in academics.

Their mission was on display at the 2022-2023 SkillsUSA's National Leadership and Skills Conference in Atlanta with more than 1200 students, advisors and businesses and industry partners in attendance. Taking place on March 9th and 10th, more than 800 outstanding SkillsUSA student competitors completed in over 85 trade, technical and leadership fields. More than 300 business and industry volunteers served as judges as competitors works to prove their expertise in occupations such as cabinetmaking, cosmetology, mechatronics, entrepreneurship and more.



As competitions took place on the 1.5 million square feet of exhibit halls at Georgia World Congress Center, more than 100 exhibitors at the SkillsUSA TECHSPO were placed alongside the national career competitions, industry best practice workshops and leadership sessions. Through SkillsUSA student leaders and ultimately, the country's talent pipeline is developed. Learn more at [SkillsUSA.org](https://www.skillsusa.org).

The Georgia Postsecondary team consistently places in the top 5 in the country for medal counts. Augusta Tech's SkillsUSA team turned in a great performance. The Augusta Tech Cougars took home 23 medals and won nine events. Mr. Jose Rodriquez was also elected as a state officer.

The gold medalists will represent Augusta Tech at the SkillsUSA Nationals on June 19th - 23rd in Atlanta, GA.

Our Gold Medal Winners are:

- Jacob Golding, T-shirt Design
- Na'Lexis Rowan, Graphic Imaging Sublimation

- Rashell Tanner, Ad Design
- Malcolm Hill & Trayvon Alexander, Commercial Drone Team
- Emily Pinto, Photography
- Justin McClellan, Screen Printing
- Dennis Nelson, Graphic Communication

Our Silver Medal Winners are:

- Carson Watkins, T Shirt Design
- Amir Jackson, Ad Design
- Faith Lyons, Photography
- Kobe Brown & Brandon Goolsby, Cybersecurity Team
- Eyrn Jordan, Graphic Communication
- Austin Gardner, Aviation Maintenance
- Jose Rodriguez, Pin Design

Our Bronze Medal Winners are:

- Derek Gilford, Pin Design
- Ellington Salmons, Ad Design
- Jadon Ewing & Tyson Singletary, TV (Video) Production
- Kaelin Davis, Graphic Communication
- William Greenaway, Aviation Maintenance
- Jacob Miniweather, Restaurant Services

[Click here to view photos from the 2022-2023 SkillsUSA 's National Leadership and Skills Conference.](#)

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About SkillsUSA

SkillsUSA empowers its members to become world-class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens. We improve the quality of our nation's future skilled workforce through the development of SkillsUSA Framework skills that include personal, workplace and technical skills grounded in academics. Our vision is to produce the most highly skilled workforce in the world, providing every member the opportunity for career success.

About Augusta Technical College

Augusta Technical College, a unit of the Technical College System of Georgia, is a public postsecondary institution that provides academic and technical education, customized business and industry training, continuing education, student support, economic development, and adult education services to its service area (Burke, Columbia, Lincoln, McDuffie, and Richmond Counties) at a competitive financial value. Associate of Science Degrees, Associate of Applied Science Degrees, diplomas, and technical certificates of credit are provided through traditional and distance delivery methods. For more information, visit augustatech.edu.

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