SkillsUSA 2008 National and State Results

NCC students competed at the National Skills USA Conference in Kansas City during the week of June 23, 2008. The conference is an annual event where career and technical education students from around the United States showcase their skills. Skills USA is the national organization for students in trade, industrial, technical, and health occupations education.

The following NCC students competed and received recognition for placing in their category:

- Industrial Motor Controls: 1st place in the nation, Jesse Bormann, Bancroft, IA.
- Mechatronics: 2nd place team in the nation, David Hilliard, Storm Lake, IA; and Brad Matson, Buffalo Center, IA.
- Related Technical Math: 4th place in the nation, Anthony Bleeker, Hartley, IA.
- Automated Manufacturing Technology: 5th place team in the nation, Neil Schettler, Sheldon, IA; Adrian Fintelman, Hull, IA; and Eric Doyle, Sheldon, IA.
- Collision Repair: 6th place in the nation, Travis McVay, Sioux Falls, SD.
- Residential Wiring: 7th place in the nation, Caleb Schroeder, Glidden, IA.
- Technical Drafting: 8th place in the nation, Joe Kuehler, Spencer, IA.
- Welding (High School): 25th place in the nation, Brian Alexander, Sibley, IA.

Students from Northwest Iowa Community College, Sheldon, IA, competed in the 2008 Iowa State Skills USA Championships held on April 24 & 25 in Des Moines, Iowa. NCC students won six gold medals, nine silver medals, and four bronze medals. The following list of students is those that competed and placed first, second, or third at the State Skills USA Contests:

- Automated Manufacturing Technology: 2nd place, Neil Schettler, Sheldon, IA.
- Automotive Refinishing Technology: 2nd place, Cory Hoogland, Granville, IA.
- Automotive Service Technology: 2nd place, Joel Slothouber, Sioux Center, IA.
- Collision Repair Technology: 1st place, Travis McVay, Sioux Falls, SD.
- Electronic Technology: 2nd place, Alan Heilman, Yankton, SD; 3rd place, Jordan Jensen, Sibley, IA.
- Industrial Motor Control: 1st place, Jesse Bormann, Bancroft, IA; 2nd place, Ben Thompson, Hardy, IA.
- Mechatronics: 2nd place team, Brad Matson, Buffalo Center, IA, and David Hilliard, Storm Lake, IA; 3rd place team, Chris Smith, Pella, IA, and Joe Rahm, Wesley, IA.
- Related Technical Math: 1st place, Anthony Bleeker, Hartley, IA.
- Residential Wiring: 1st place, Caleb Schroeder, Glidden, IA; 2nd place, Stephen Postma, Orange City, IA; 3rd place, Ryan Parker, Cherokee, IA.
- Technical Drafting: 1st place, Joseph Kuehler, Spencer, IA; 2nd place, Josh Ball, Ashton, IA.
- Technical Drafting (High School): 1st place, Kenton Vore, Orange City, IA.
- Welding: 2nd place, Jeremy Menting, Everly, IA.