



Qualifying Competition

Saturday April 11th, 2026

CONFEDERATION COLLEGE - Far Northern Area Qualifying Competition
General Location Package

SCHOOL BOARDS WHICH PARTICIPATE AT CONFEDERATION

Located in Thunder Bay, Ontario, Confederation College of Applied Arts and Technology will be the host college of the Far Northern Area Qualifying Competition, in which the following school boards are allocated:

- Conseil scolaire de district catholique des Aurores boréales
- Keewatin-Patricia District School Board
- Kenora Catholic District School Board
- Lakehead Public Schools
- Rainy River District School Board
- Superior-Greenstone District School Board
- Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board

CONTEST LOCATIONS (ALL ROOMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Confederation College

1450 Nakina Drive, Thunder Bay, ON P7C 4W1

Phone: 807-475-6385 (Pia Erkkila, Confederation College Contact)

All Competitors are to sign-in in the Student Commons located on the main floor in the Shuniah Building.

Carpentry-Individual – Dorion Building, Room 169

- Students are **to bring their tools** to the Dorion Building **before** they go to orientation in the Shuniah Building to save them from carrying them around campus.

Culinary Arts – Shuniah Building, Room B209/211

TV Video Production – Shuniah Building, Room B118G

Welding – Dorion Building, Room 165



Confederation College is accessible from the Thunder Bay Expressway and Harbour Expressway.

AGENDA - FAR NORTHERN AREA QUALIFYING COMPETITION * (ALL ROOMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

8:30 – 8:45 a.m. Registration

- Student Commons area on the main floor of the Shuniah Building

8:45 - 9:00 a.m. –Announcements

- Student Commons area on the main floor of the Shuniah Building

9:00 a.m. – Technical Committees lead competitors to contest sites

9:10 - 9:30 a.m. – Competitor orientation at contest sites

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. – Contests

12:00 - 12:30 p.m. – Lunch

- Lunch will be delivered to competitors at their contest site
- If you have any dietary restrictions (dairy, gluten etc) **please bring a bagged lunch** for this event. Due to the nature of last minute registrations, dietary restrictions other than vegetarian cannot be accommodated.

12:30 - 3:00 p.m. – Contests continue

3:30 p.m. – Presentation by Host College focusing on Programming related to competition

- Student Commons area on the main floor of the Shuniah Building

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. – Final Judging and Evaluation

- Judging completed during this time
- Results submitted to Skills Ontario staff
- Skills Ontario staff perform final results tabulation

4:45 p.m. – General Feedback Session for competitors

5:30 p.m. – Awards Presentation and Advancement Meeting

- Student Commons area on the main floor of the Shuniah Building
- A brief advancement meeting for those competitors moving on to the Skills Ontario Competition will immediately follow presentation



Please note: each **contest also has its own agenda** with further detail, please refer to the Qualifying contest scopes for the specific contest agendas to ensure you are well prepared for the day.

Please note: the **start time of the awards presentation** is based on when results are verified and finalized – should this be completed earlier than 5:30, staff will make an effort to begin the presentation earlier, but this will be a last minute adjustment. As such, please try to be near by the awards presentation location prior to 5:30 in case an earlier start is possible.

ADVANCEMENT FROM QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS TO SKILLS ONTARIO COMPETITION

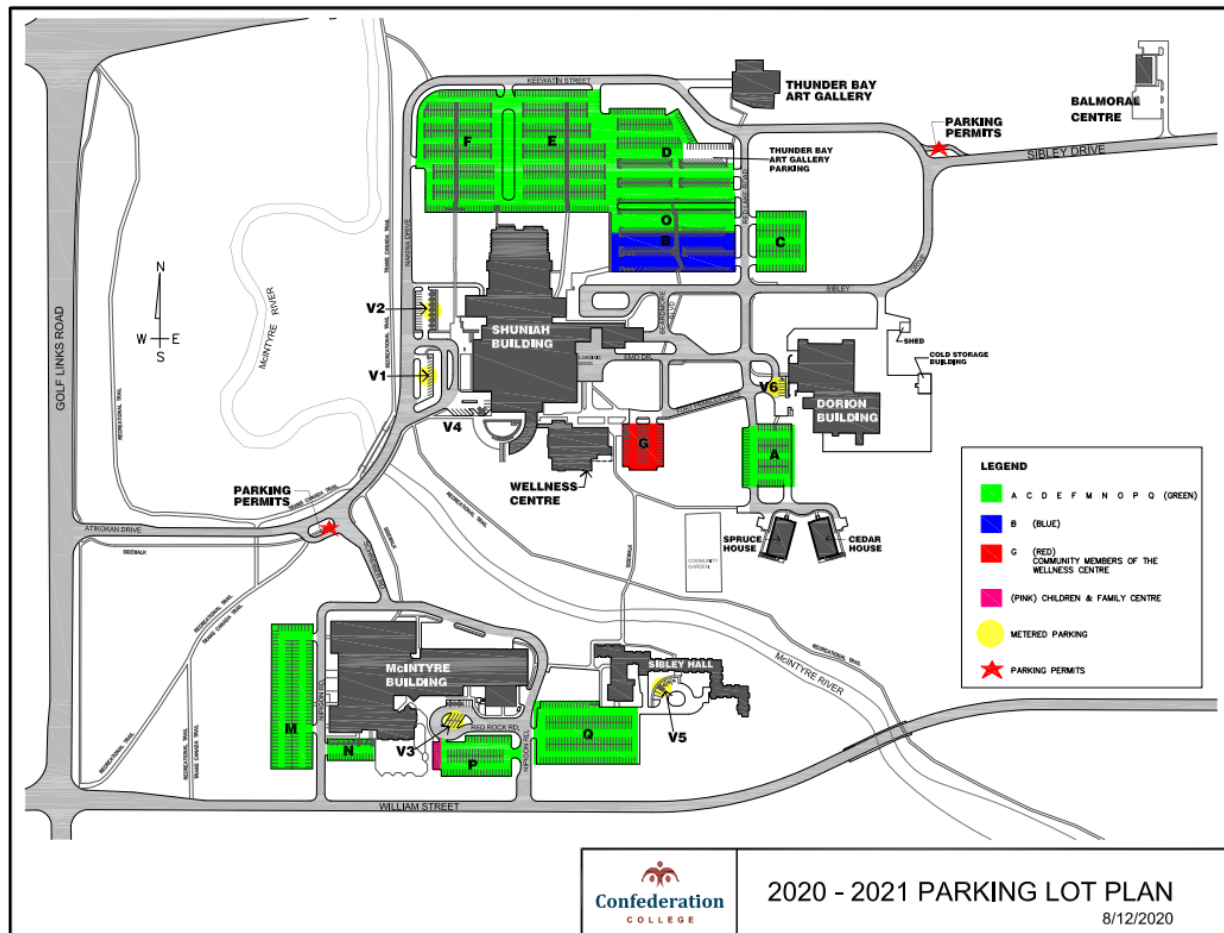
Competitors at the Qualifying Competitions **must achieve a final score of at least 60%** to receive any ribbon and be considered for advancement.

The following numbers of competitors from the Far Northern Area Qualifying Competition are eligible to advance to the Skills Ontario Competition, taking place in May in Toronto:

- Carpentry – Individual – 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- Culinary Arts – 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- T.V. Video Production (Team of 2) – 1st, 2nd and 3rd
- Welding – 1st, 2nd and 3rd

COLLEGE LOCATION - CAMPUS MAP & PARKING

Parking is free. Please be sure to **park in one of the GREEN lots pictured below**. Do NOT park in the RED or BLUE lots.



TEACHERS/PARENTS/VISITORS

Teachers, parents and visitors are welcome to use any on campus restaurant/concession to purchase their lunch the day of the competition. The cafeteria in the Shuniah Building is open from 10:30am – 6:00pm. There are also a number of restaurants in close proximity to Confederation College and they are as follows:

- Tim Horton's
- Montana's Cookhouse & Bar
- Outlaw's Burgers & Fries
- Applebee's Neighbourhood Grill & Bar
- Domino's Pizza(take-out or delivery)



ACCOMMODATIONS

The following hotels are recommended for accommodation during the Far Northern Area Qualifying Competition. Participants are to make their own arrangements with hotels:

Days Inn & Suites – 645 Sibley Drive, Thunder Bay P7B 6Z8

A block of rooms has been arranged by Confederation College

BLOCK ID: 041026CON. *These rooms will be held until March 20, 2026. Please book by the cutoff date to guarantee availability & group rate.*

- Call direct to the Front Desk Reservation Team 807-622-3297
- Book under the name “Confederation College Skills Competition” Group **BLOCK ID: 041026CON**
- Rates are subject to 18.65% tax – Municipal Accommodation Tax and HST
 - \$199 Standard Guestrooms with 2 Queen Beds single or double occupancy
- Cost per person per room for additional needs to be confirmed by hotel
- All guests will be required to pay \$50 refundable deposit to cover incidentals
- Check in time is 3pm. Check out time is 11am