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Paso Robles High School to Host SkillsUSA Competition this Saturday

Paso Robles, CA (February 1, 2018) -- Paso Robles High School (PRHS) will be hosting the Region 2 SkillsUSA California Conference this Saturday, February 3, beginning at 8 AM in the Gil Asa Gymnasium. The conference will have over 1000 student competitors from the counties of San Luis Obispo, Monterey, Kern, Kings, Tulare, Santa Cruz, Fresno, Santa Barbara, and San Benito. Judges for the competition include many local business owners and industry personnel.

SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers, and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA provides educational programs, events, and competitions that support career and technical education (CTE) in schools. PRHS has one of the largest CTE programs in the state. Courses offered at PRHS include Culinary Arts, Automotive Industry, Building Trades, Informational Technology, Digital Media, Early Childhood Education, Welding, and Health Careers. The CTE courses help students develop a skill set to prepare them to enter the workforce.

PRHS has 200 students registered to compete this year. There are 70 different competitions scheduled throughout the day in various categories. Students have to perform in several skill components and written tests including the presentation of a resume. Competitions will take place from approximately 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and will be housed at several different locations including PRHS, Culinary Arts Center, and Flamson Middle School. Top finishers in each category advance to the California State Conference in Southern California in April. From there, students move on to the national conference in June in Louisville, Kentucky. Last year, PRHS had ten students qualify for the national conference.

Parents, business owners, industry personnel, and the general public are all invited to watch the students in action. For more information, please contact Randy Canaday at rcanaday@pasoschools.org.

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