

# TECH TREK

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## MTI Students Win, Place at SkillsUSA

The MTISkillsUSA Chapter attended their state leadership conference Monday, April 15, in Sioux Falls at Southeast Tech.

The following students won or placed in their contests. Gold medal winners have the opportunity to attend the SkillsUSA National Conference in Louisville, KY, in June:

### HVAC

Jordan Hurt, Gold  
Ty Auske, Silver

### Power Equipment

Allen Schaller, Gold

### Motorcycle Service

Payton Seitz, Gold  
Peyton Jondahl, Silver

### TeamWorks

Team A, Gold (Matthew Williams, Grant Schlaht, Colby Deseive, Colton Cavaness)  
Team B, Silver (Seth Bares, Joseph Beaner, Quentin McKinney, Brady Nelson)

### Cabinet Making

Matthew Kayser, Gold

### Carpentry

Craig Schaeffer, Gold  
Gabe Long, Silver

### Architecture Drafting

Grace Bultsma, Gold

### Mechatronics

Team A, Gold  
(Casey Weverstad, Ethan Roth)

### Information Technology

Andrew Murphy, Gold

### CNC Milling

Meridith Beeber, Gold

Special thanks to this year's advisors Jason Juhnke, Rayne Guindon, Eric Schramm, and Jed Schoenfelder.

## MTI Hosts Power Line Rodeo

On Friday, April 5, MTI hosted the 17th Annual College Lineman Rodeo. This Lineman Rodeo travels around the country hosted by different colleges with lineworker programs. MTI has hosted in 2009, 2010, 2014 and 2019. This year, 121 lineman competed from 10 schools. Teams were made up of four lineman each with a total of 24 teams competing. There were a few

3-person teams and some alternates that competed for individual events only.

The linemen competed in four events: a 50-question lineman knowledge test; Obstacle Climb; Cross-Arm Change Out; and C1 Framing.

Top ten places by MTI lineman included:

Cross Arm Change Out, Dallas Loneman - 5th  
Obstacle Climb, Cole Staloch - 3rd  
Knowledge Test, Bradey Detert - 1st; Calin Eigner - 3rd; Stewart Job - 4th  
C1 Framing, Taitt McKnight - 5th; Riley Meis - 7th  
Individual Overall, Dallas Loneman - 2nd; Cole Staloch - 6th

Top 10 Teams:

MTI - 4th and 8th

## Spring Picnic Tonight

The annual Spring Picnic is tonight, Thursday, April 25, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the Campus Center.

All MTI students, staff members and their families are welcome to attend.

SRB will be giving out lots of great door prizes. You must be present to win.

Instructor of the Year and the 2019-20 Student Body president will also be announced. It's always a fun time, so plan to attend!

## Eagle Feather Ceremony Planned

MTI students of Native American descent will be honored with a traditional Eagle Feather Ceremony on Thursday, May 9, at 5:00 PM, in the Tech Center Amphitheatre. There will be several special features to the event including the placement of a tipi near the building and traditional food.

All students are invited to come to the ceremony to honor your peers. See Scott Fossum in the Center for Student Success for more information.

## Graduation Plans in Place

Mitchell Technical Institute's graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 10, at 5:00 PM, at the Corn Palace.


All students graduating are urged to participate in the ceremony. A rehearsal for those planning to participate will be held that same day at 11:00 AM.

Your instructors were given a copy of your diploma name, hometown, and newspaper for you to verify. If you have not verified this with your instructor, please ask them about it, or stop by the registrar's office so we can review the information. This information will be printed in the graduation program and in the press release.

The MTI Bookstore has caps and gowns in stock for purchase. You must have a black cap and gown to participate in the ceremony. Honor cords will be distributed to graduates by faculty members before the ceremony and are yours to keep.

Once again this year, professional photos will be taken at the ceremony. No sign-up or order forms will be issued. You will be notified via email of an online post in the weeks following graduation.

There are no tickets or reserved seats. Families are urged to arrive early to get seats. For more information, contact the MTI Communications office.



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**for BOOKS**  
**May 6 - 10**  
**MTI Bookstore**

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**SUB BIRTHDAY CLUB!**

Stop in the Subway store at 802 N. Sanborn for a free six-inch sandwich with the purchase of a 20 oz. or larger drink during your birthday month. Must present student ID. Offer good only at Mitchell Sanborn Street location. Offer good for students and staff. One sub per person.

### April

- 25 Tristan Konechne  
Carly Oakland  
Sommer Riggins
- 26 Jesse Schindler  
Samantha Schumacher

- 27 Riley Berndt  
Joseph Wagner
- 28 Trenton Langdeau
- 29 Joel Rassel
- 30 Joyce Star

### May

- 1 Saing Lay  
Hannah Mattis  
Liz Kitchens
- 2 Jacob Clark  
Dalton Feenstra  
Samantha Herrold  
Zachary Rucktaeschel  
Devin Ward  
Jonah Zwinger
- 3 Gerrit Dykstra  
Mason Hiles  
Colten Nelson
- 4 Luke Masters  
Kendra Myers  
Levi Newton  
Grant Petrik
- 5 Chandler Bakley  
Garret Burns
- 6 Terry Letsche  
Nicklaus Rettinger
- 7 Cole Christopherson  
Kyle Menning  
Traci Payer  
Alex Schaeffer  
Janet Greenway
- 8 Dean Fuerstenberg  
Owen London  
Maryah Tople  
Cayden Veland  
Lisa Ellingson
- 9 LaToya Douville  
Taylor Luikens  
Kain Sherman  
Carmen Neugebauer
- 10 Ethan Ness  
Shaun Snedeker
- 11 Savanna Deutscher  
Mackenzie Heinrich  
Peyton Nelson  
Benjamin Olson  
Jared Hofer
- 12 Alyssa Ogstad  
Trevor Renelt  
Jimmie Nicolaus
- 13 Carolyn Groves  
Kaitlyn Lee
- 14 Jenni Hargreaves  
Bradley Hento  
Alyssa Marie Laurenz  
Bridget Weisser
- 15 Beth Ann Scharber
- 16 Tiffany Cundy  
Parker Dally  
Lacey Malm
- 17 Jacob Anderson  
Colter Assman  
Kylee Brooks  
Alan Brott  
Clay Lindskov  
Joseph Poppens  
Mark Wilson
- 18 Kamille Baize  
Nicholas Donnelly  
Jordan Kunkel

- Jennifer Malatare  
Tanner Moeller  
Mark Puetz  
Robin Jacobsen
- 19 Carter Kline  
Blake Schentzel  
Riley Sund  
Tanner Van Winkle
- 20 Trevor Larsen
- 21 Angela Peterson  
Cody Vanden Hoek  
Cody Washburn
- 22 Jenny Johnston  
Lane Kratovil
- 23 Ian Hoarty
- 24 Jamie Bovee  
Ashley Daughters  
Nathan Ducheneaux  
Pamela Hof  
Blake Klinkhammer  
Thomas Thompson  
Seth Weeman
- 25 Seth Kirsch  
Jayden Reiman
- 27 Wylie Brunson  
Austin Clarke  
Russell Duley  
Levi Krohn
- 28 Justin Richards
- 29 Samantha Doyle  
Kristi Kirkwood  
Cody Rolston
- 31 Adam Austin



### Mike Rowe Offers Scholarships

Don't forget, students currently finishing year one of a two-year program at a South Dakota Technical Institute are eligible to apply for one of (10) \$5,000 scholarships from the mikeroweWORKS Foundation. Faculty can also recommend a student whether the student has applied or not. There is not a GPA requirement. More information can be found at <https://www.builddakotascholarships.com/fin-ishstrong>.

## ACT to Present "Spelling Bee"

Mitchell ACT will present "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" Fridays and Saturdays, April 26-27 and May 3-4 at 7:30 PM and Sundays, April 28 and May 5 at 4:00 PM at the Pepsi-Cola Theatre for the Performing Arts.

The musical tells the story of an eclectic group of six mid-pubescent vie for the spelling championship of a lifetime.

MTI students receive free admission with a student ID. It is advised that you reserve your tickets in advance at the box office.

## Keep Us Updated on Employment

Students, if you are graduating from MTI next month and are still seeking employment, please remember to notify your instructor or Director of Career Services Janet Greenway when you do get hired for that first job.

We work very hard to stay in touch with new graduates to determine where they are working and how much they are earning. Your individual data is never shared; it's put into a collective report that is shared with the State of South Dakota.

MTI is proud of its high placement rate and we want future students and employers to hear about it. Help us out—share your success!

## MTI Email Address Yours to Keep

According to the MTI Technology office, alumni web mail access will be maintained after graduation. If the account is inactive for six months the account will be removed from our system. As long as you continue to use the account it is yours to keep. Smartphone, Outlook, and Active Sync access will be disabled after graduation.

If files have been uploaded to Google Drive, YouTube, or other MTI cloud-based services the files will be deleted. If you would like to preserve these files, please move them to another location outside of your MTI account.

If you have questions about your email account or any technology related questions, stop in the IT office in the Tech Center or submit a Help Desk ticket.