

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

INFORMATION ITEM

**RECOGNITION OF STUDENT FINALISTS
IN CAREER AND TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRAMS**

BACKGROUND

Following the board meeting on November 16, 2011, the Board of Trustees and Chancellor Steven Rosenstone will recognize students from four career and technical student organizations that won first-, second- and third-place medals in national and international skills competitions. The students will be recognized during a reception in their honor.

The four career and technical student organizations are:

Business Professionals of America is the leading career technical student organization for students pursuing degrees in business management, office administration, information technology and other related career fields.

Delta Epsilon Chi prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and around the globe.

Post-Secondary Agricultural is a national organization associated with agriculture/agribusiness and natural resources offerings in approved postsecondary institutions offering baccalaureate degrees, associate degrees, diplomas and/or certificates.

SkillsUSA is a national not-for-profit organization serving teachers and high school and college students who are preparing for careers in trade, technical and skilled service occupations, including health occupations.

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