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Included below is a press release regarding a local Ferris State University student, who took home an award from the Michigan SkillsUSA competition. Further information is available by contacting Leah Nixon, assistant director of News Services.

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Local student wins silver at SkillsUSA competition

BIG RAPIDS – College of Technology students from Ferris State University were awarded 16 medals, seven of which were gold, at the Michigan SkillsUSA competition in May. Kevin DeFouw of Kent City was awarded the silver medal in the Diesel Equipment Technology competition.

A 2006 graduate of Kent City High School, DeFouw is now a sophomore majoring in Heavy Equipment Service Technology.

SkillsUSA is a national organization serving more than 240,000 high school and college students, and professional members enrolled in training programs in technical, skilled service and health occupations.

Ferris students participated in Technical Drafting, Technical Math, Automated Manufacturing, Electronics Technology, Internetworking, Diesel Equipment Technology and Graphic Communications. The students were allotted between four-to-five hours to complete their tasks.

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