

Derek's Story

Derek is a 2002 graduate of the Computer Maintenance program at the Northland Career Center (NCC).

Derek competed in Skills USA/VICA his second year at NCC. Derek placed first in technical skills and third on the written competition at district. At the state competition, Derek placed fifth in the technical skill competition.

Derek has been a very busy individual after his graduation. He is working at Office Max and has his own computer support company, which is paying for his college expenses. Derek plans to attend DeVry and become a systems engineer.

Derek credits much of his success to his teachers who “were always there and ready to help.” “My instructors made my learning real because we just did it and not just talked about it.” Derek went on to say, “ When I entered the work force my training was current and I had a very good beginning experience due to my preparation and the teachers who believed in me.”

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