

Winter 2020

# President's Message: WCA Is Off & Running in 2020

2019 was a very productive year for WCA! We added 507 new individuals to our Passport credentialing program and awarded 418 certificates or credentials to individuals. We're looking to build on the success of our credentialing program by certifying more Accredited Skill Evaluators (ASE) beginning this spring.



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## WCA President Talks Training, Credentialing and More

The Woodwork Career Alliance of North America heads into the 2020s building on the solid foundation of its Passport credentialing program that is widely recognized throughout the United States and Canada.







# Young Cabinetmaker Savors Worldskills Experience

"Very, very intense." That's how Ethan Harrison described competing in the WorldSkills Cabinetmaking competition held last October in Kazan, Russia. "Every second you had to be doing something and thinking ahead to the next things that had to be done," said Harrison, who represented the United States in the three-day event.









## 29 High Schools Join Woodwork Career Alliance

The Woodwork Career Alliance of North America welcomes 29 high school woodworking programs as EDUcation<sup>™</sup> members for the 2019-20 academic year. With the newly added schools, WCA EDU membership now totals more than 130 in the U.S. and Canada.





### WCA Updates Passport Credentials

The Woodwork Career Alliance of North America has updated its Passport with the latest information about the WCA's credentialing program and how it works.

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# WI High School District Opens Design and Innovation Center

The Wauwatosa School District celebrated the completion of its new \$1.3 million Center for Design and Innovation with a ribbon-cutting and tours of the renovated space located inside Wauwatosa West High School.



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- Center for Furniture Craftsmanship Expands 'Teaching the Teachers' Scholarship Program
- KCD Software Supports WCA's Efforts to Grow a Skilled Woodworking Workforce
- Video: Madison College's Cabinetmaking Program
- Newspaper: 'Students Learn Real World Skills' in RCHS Woodshop
- Q&A with Tim Fixmer: Staunch Advocate of Woodworking Education
- NC Woodshop Teachers Go to Summer School
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