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MLA Congratulates Local WorldSkills Representative

Dr Mike Nahan, the Member for Riverton congratulated Vocational Education and Training (VET) construction student Joshua Orr of Shelley on being chosen as a member of a team of young Western Australians who will represent the State at a national skills competition.

"Joshua constructed a park bench/garden chair for the State competition and his workmanship and skills on that project were judged the best in the Construction VET in Schools section," said Dr Nahan.

"He will join a Western Australian team of more than 50 members from metropolitan and regional areas who will compete in the national WorldSkills competition that will be held in Brisbane in May. National winners from that event have the opportunity to represent Australia at the 2011 International WorldSkills competition in London."

"Joshua is currently undertaking a traineeship in carpentry and many of his fellow team members come from other industries, such as electrical installation, floristry, garment production, hairdressing, metal fabrication, printing and graphic arts."

Dr Nahan said Joshua's event was designed to test the participant's ability to read and understand plans and specifications, to determine dimensions and materials, and to shape and assemble materials using hand and power tools.

"Joshua plans to construct a barbecue table and chairs over the three-day competition in Brisbane. The WorldSkills program will provide him with an opportunity to showcase his skills at a national level and his experiences will hold him in good stead for his future endeavours."

"I join with his family and friends in congratulating him on his achievements so far and wish him every success for the future."

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