

Polyvance's Social Media Nitrogen Plastic Welding Competition – Rules

In order to promote awareness of the inclusion of nitrogen plastic welding as a scored part of the competition in the Collision Repair Technology segment of SkillsUSA, Polyvance is creating a social media competition for secondary and post-secondary collision repair technical schools.

This competition is open to all secondary and post-secondary technical schools that have a collision repair program and have access to a nitrogen plastic welder. The competition will involve the creation of a short video of a student using the nitrogen plastic welder to make a repair. The repairs will be judged on quality and difficulty, and the video will be judged on production quality.

A first- and second-place prize for both secondary and post-secondary programs will be presented. The first-place prize is an all-expenses-paid trip for the instructor to travel to our factory for a free two-day plastic repair training course and a free nitrogen welder for the school. The second-place prize is free admission to the two-day plastic repair training for the instructor, excluding travel expenses, and a refurbished nitrogen welder.

Details

1. Accredited secondary and post-secondary technical schools with collision repair programs are eligible to compete.
2. Your class must use a nitrogen plastic welder to repair a broken plastic part.
3. The repair must show at least a two-inch tear using the method as described in the SkillsUSA CRT 10.0, or it can be something more challenging.
4. You must create a video of this repair process. The final video can be no longer than five minutes; this will most likely require editing the footage down. The video must show each step of the repair. Due to time requirements, you won't be able to include the entirety each step, but you must include a little of each step.
5. You must upload the video to either Facebook or YouTube. **Deadline for submissions is March 31, 2018.**
6. You must create a public post on Facebook containing the Facebook video or YouTube video link. You must tag the Polyvance and SkillsUSA pages in this post. Do this by using @Polyvance and @SkillsUSA and then clicking the appropriate page to tag in your post. You can find the official Polyvance and SkillsUSA Facebook pages here: <https://www.facebook.com/polyvance> and <https://www.facebook.com/SkillsUSA>.
7. The video must be posted by the school's official Facebook page.
8. Winners will be selected by Polyvance management based on criteria described below. Winners will be announced on April 13, 2018. Fulfillment of prizes will be coordinated with winners, scheduled at a mutually acceptable time before the end of 2018.

Video Requirements

1. The final, edited version of the video should be no more than five minutes long.
2. All video should be filmed horizontally. If you are filming with a cell phone, do not film vertically.
3. Each step of the repair must be shown.
4. The video must be in focus and framed appropriately. The judges need to see the students working on the repair; they need a clear view of what is happening.

5. You must include a description of the welding process with your video. This can either be in a voiceover on the video or written in the description of the video.

Grading Information

1. Grading will use a scale of 1-10.
2. The plastic repair portion will be weighted at 80%. It will be graded on the following:
 - a. Difficulty of the repair
 - b. Safety – Are the students handling the equipment properly and using proper safety equipment?
 - c. Welding technique – The students’ understanding of temperature, flow, angle, pressure, and speed.
 - d. Finishing – How far was the repair refinished?
 - e. Description of process – The accuracy and the thoroughness of the description included with the video.
3. The video portion will be weighted at 20%. It will be graded on the following:
 - a. Quality
 - b. Technical Aspects – How is the framing, lighting, and focus? How well does the video capture the repair?
 - c. Viewability – How steady is the camera? Is the video excessively noisy? Does the video drag on in certain areas? Does the video make sense after editing?
 - d. Objective – Does the video show all the steps of the repair? Is the length under five minutes?
 - e. Creativity – Is there music? Is the video visually appealing? Was there anything added in post-production that makes the video stand out?

Additional Details

1. We encourage you to “like” and “share” your videos and your favorite videos. This competition will be judged on the repair and the video quality. “Likes” and “shares” on Facebook do not give you an increased chance to win.
2. To increase the fun, friendly competition, you can also tag other schools on Facebook to challenge them to compete as well. This is optional and will not increase your chances of winning.
3. Have fun with this competition, and good luck!

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