SULLIVAN COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY AND DESIGN STUDENT AMBER JACKSON WINS GOLD MEDAL AT SKILLSUSA NATIONAL COMPETITION

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LOUISVILLE – Sullivan College of Technology and Design (SCTD) student Amber Jackson was awarded a Gold Medal at the recent SkillsUSA national competition in Kansas City.

More than 10,000 students from across the nation compete in SkillsUSA, a non-profit partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA serves teachers as well as high school and college students who are preparing for careers in trade, technical and skilled service vocations.

Jackson, 21, a Louisville native and a graduate of Moore Traditional High School, competed in Advertising Design. Jackson had seven hours to complete two projects, design an advertisement and logo for a concert. She was judged on creativity, accuracy, proficiency with industry software, and the ability to meet a deadline.

By winning at nationals, she has the opportunity to compete at the WorldSkills Competition held in São Paulo, Brazil next year.

“We are so proud of Amber,” said Dr. Sheree P. Koppel, Academic Dean of SCTD. “The national competition is very tough, and she had to win regional and state competitions before being invited to compete in nationals.”
“As a point of context, there are approximately 10,000 SkillsUSA competitors at the national event and it is a measure of Amber Jackson’s character that she traveled to Kansas City and nailed her competition,” Dr. Koppel said.

Jackson said she is very excited about winning the Gold Medal. She credits SCTD with preparing her for the rigors of the competition and providing her with a solid education and a tremendous learning environment.

“Sullivan College of Technology and Design truly teaches students to do the best you can and put your best foot forward,” she said. “Thanks to my teachers and the curriculum at SCTD, I was totally prepared for the competition, and I am prepared for my career.”

Jackson is currently pursuing a Bachelor’s Degree in Graphic Design and has already earned an Associate’s Degree from SCTD. Jackson said she had wanted to attend SCTD since she was a freshman in high school after touring the campus as part of a magnet program at Moore.

“I knew the basics of graphic design from my high school program,” she said. “After I toured SCTD, I fell in love with the school and could not wait to go there.”

For more information about SkillsUSA visit www.SkillUSA.org.

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