

Nebraska SuperTech Competition Winners

Raece Paulsen of Nebraska Truck Center the 2017 Nebraska SuperTech Champion. More than 100 competitors registered to take the qualifying online, ASE-style test. The top 16 from the online test advanced to the hands-on skill stations final round hosted by Central Community College in Hastings, NE on July 13.

As the Nebraska 2017 SuperTech winner, Paulsen will receive transportation and lodging to represent Nebraska at the National SuperTech competition September 16 – 21 in Orlando, FL. The competition is hosted by the American Trucking Associations' Technology and Maintenance Council. The runner-up was Anthony Heller with Inland Truck Parts and Service, Lincoln and third place was Joel Kaup of Truck Center Companies, York. Additional winners won cash prizes including station winners. Following are the winners from each station.

First time participant		Company	Location
Anthony Heller		Inland Truck Parts & Service	Lincoln

Student Champion		Community College	Location
Jack Compton		Northeast Community College	Norfolk

Station Name	Name	Company	Location
Vehicle Inspection Trailer	Tim Zieman	Truck Center Companies	Lincoln
Vehicle Inspection Tractor	Joel Kaup	Truck Center Companies	York
Drive Belr	Cameron Clapper	Metropolitan Community College	Omaha
Engine Electronics	Scott Resler	Wicks Trucks	Omaha
Tire Pressure Monitor System	Robert Peters	Bosselman Boss Shop	
Engine Mechanical	Joel Kaup	Truck Center Companies	York
Drive Train Universal Joint	Raece Paulsen	Nebraska Truck Center	
Electrical	Raece Paulsen	Nebraska Truck Center	
Hydraulics	Jon Buller	Inland Truck Parts and Service	Lincoln
Transport Refrigeration	Scott Resler	Wicks Trucks	Omaha

A student competition is also held with students from four of Nebraska's Community Colleges. Jack Compton from Northeast Community College in Norfolk earned the top student prize, a \$500 voucher for tuition or books.

This event would not be possible without our volunteers and sponsors. Member organizations provided 34 judges, sponsors and equipment suppliers to this year's event.

Career education and worker competency in transportation, distribution and logistics are two of Nebraska's economic development selling points. Showcasing the proficiency of commercial vehicle

technicians highlights the field as a career that's important to Nebraska's growth as a North American distribution hub. The Nebraska Trucking Association's Maintenance Council organizes the Nebraska SuperTech competition.