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NEWS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**Second Place at State for SkillsUSA Welding Fabrication Team**

Kimberly, Wis. – July 7, 2017 – Three members of the nine student SkillsUSA team from [Kimberly High School](#) brought home 2nd place at the recent State competition. Dylan Berben, Caleb Dobbratz and Gabby Weyer earned a 2nd place silver medal as a welding fabrication team for the grill they created.

SkillsUSA team members participate in skills-based competitions ranging from machining to residential wiring. Participation in SkillsUSA helps students discover and grow their interest in technical career fields.



Gabby Weyer, Dylan Berben and Caleb Dobbratz with the grill they fabricated that earned them 2nd place at the SkillsUSA State competition.

The Kimberly High School SkillsUSA team members this year were:

- Dylan Berben - Welding Fabrication
- Caleb Dobbratz - Welding Fabrication
- Nathan Fleming - Welding Sculpture
- James Siebers - Welding Skill
- Andrew Tremel - Residential Wiring
- Paul Vanden Boogaard - Machining

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- Gabby Weyer - Welding Fabrication
- Hunter Williamson - Welding Skill
- Tyler Willing - Machining

Through SkillsUSA, students have opportunities to reach their potential while developing their technical skills.

“The students also gained valuable leadership skills from this experience,” said Luke Smith, technology education teacher and the team’s advisor.

SkillsUSA is a state and national organization that serves technical, skilled and service occupation instructional programs in public high schools. Nationally, SkillsUSA serves more than 335,000 students and instructors. As a nationwide partnership of students, instructors and industry working together, SkillsUSA works to ensure that America has a skilled workforce.

About the Kimberly Area School District

The Kimberly Area School District is a progressive public school district committed to providing the best possible education available to students. Its responsibility is to help lead the way in developing well-rounded students and future citizens. The District wants every student to be given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts and co-curricular activities. It encompasses approximately 17 square miles and serves over 5,000 students in one 4K center, four elementary schools (5K-4), two intermediate schools (5-6), one middle school (7-8) and one high school (9-12). To learn more about the Kimberly Area School District, call (920)788-7900 or visit www.kimberly.k12.wi.us.