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### **National Champion Honors Awarded to TBAISD Career-Tech Center Culinary Arts Student**

**Traverse City, MI** – Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District Career-Tech Center (CTC) culinary arts student Sarah Bobier won the title of National Champion in Restaurant Service at the 51<sup>st</sup> annual SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference held June 22-26 in Louisville, Kentucky. Sarah competed against 38 other state champions from across the nation to win the contest.

A recent graduate from Traverse City West Senior High School, Sarah attended the Career-Tech Center Culinary Arts program as a junior and senior to learn all aspects of food preparation, restaurant service, business operations and industry related academics needed to succeed in the fast-paced, highly competitive food industry. Sarah earned the honor to participate in the national competition through her exemplary efforts in the Michigan SkillsUSA conference held in Grand Rapids this past April. As national champion, she is the recipient of a four-year tuition scholarship to the Culinary Institute of America, CIA's flagship residential campus located in Hyde Park, NY.

“It is an honor for our staff and the culinary arts program to have Sarah receive this national recognition. Her championship shows that exceptional training, hard work, and determination pay big dividends,” says Career-Tech Center principal Patrick Lamb. “We are extremely proud of her!”

SkillsUSA is a technical, skilled trade and service occupation club of America. This year, more than 6,000 career and technical education students — all state champions — competed in 100 different trade, technical and leadership fields. Students work against the clock and each other, proving their expertise in occupations such as electronics, computer-aided drafting, precision machining, medical assisting and culinary arts.

To learn more about career and technical training opportunities at the Traverse Bay Area Career-Tech Center call 231-922-6273 or go to [www.tbactc.org](http://www.tbactc.org).

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*Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District Career-Tech Center offers 21 tuition free career and technical education programs to eleventh and twelfth grade students in the five-county Grand Traverse region. Additional information is available at [www.tbactc.org](http://www.tbactc.org)*