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DSBN strikes gold in cardboard boat races

The team from Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School won gold in the Skills Canada - Ontario 15th Annual Cardboard Boat Race. The team will advance to the Provincial finals in Waterloo in February.

Each year, Skills Canada challenges students from across the province to demonstrate their school's technological strengths by designing a boat that is fast and strong – and completely made out of corrugated cardboard. Teams must construct their boat using two 4' x 8' sheets of corrugated cardboard, a roll of duct tape, a half-litre of contact cement, 25 feet of string and one large paper clip. In one day, teams bring their design to reality by constructing their boats, race them the length of the pool, and test them for weight capacity. Throughout construction, the race, and finally the weight challenge, judges are scoring teams on their ability to work together, the concept of the boat, use of materials and safety.

The gold winning team was Cory Eikelenboom, Jeff Sinclair, Darren Hicks, and Alex Davis of Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School. The team clocked one of the fastest boat times recorded while carrying six people with a combined weight of 824lbs.

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