



DSBN REGIONAL LANDSCAPE DESIGN SKILLS CHALLENGE 2024

COMPETITOR PACKAGE

WELCOME

Welcome to the 2024 Landscape Design Skills Competition!

COMPETITION OBJECTIVE

Objective: Showcase your landscape design skills by creating a finished landscape design for the residential property provided. Your design should meet the clients wishlist, include labels and appropriate landscape symbols, graphics and patterns. You can complete your landscape design by hand or using computer design software such as DynaSCAPE or other. You will have 5 hours to complete your landscape design. Once complete or time runs out, submit your landscape design and bubble diagram(s) as a PDF or JPEG file to the dropbox provided to you by Skills Ontario.

CLIENT WISH LIST

- Provide privacy from the neighboring properties on the East and South side of the backyard
- The client is open to any style. You are designing for a family of 4 (2 adults 2 young kids)
- The septic tank must not have any permanent or heavy items located on top of it.
- Be conscious of the swale in the yard and where it drains
- Include a pool and pool shed in your design.
- Design a patio area and seating around the pool and incorporate a new fence around the pool. Remember the home can not be used as a fence boundary. The pool must be enclosed by a fence on all four sides.
- Design multiple garden beds and create a plant oasis in the backyard
- Design a functional deck that can accommodate barbecuing, dining, and grade transitions off the back deck (steps where required).
- Include a walkways: connecting the driveway to the front door and on the East side connecting the driveway to the new back deck
- Design a front garden that enhances the street appeal of the house

CLIENT PROPERTY PHOTOS







Existing fence to be removed- existing deck to be replaced



DRAWING REQUIREMENTS AND TIPS

Drawing Requirements/Tips:

1. **Important! Step # 1:** Before starting the design, be sure to complete the title block.
2. **Bubble Diagram:** Create 1 or more bubble diagram(s) to organize your design components and inspire your final design. This is a very rough sketch to help you get started. Feel free to create a bubble diagram by hand or on the computer. You can submit a photo of your bubble diagram(s) if drawn by hand.
3. **Base Plan Info:** A base plan is provided to you as a PDF and DynaSCAPE file. You are welcome to use either as long as you draw your design to scale. We will be using metric scales.
4. **Layers:** Use appropriate layers to draw design elements to achieve the correct line weights.
5. **Symbols:** Use appropriate symbols for plants. Plants are to be shown at full mature size (shrubs and small trees) and at about $\frac{3}{4}$ mature size (large trees).
6. **Labeling Plants:** Label plants with generic names (i.e. 'Large Deciduous Shade Tree', 'Large Conifer', 'Large Palm', 'Medium Evergreen Shrub', 'Low Perennial', 'Med Ornamental Grass', 'Groundcover', 'Annuals', etc).
7. **Labeling Hardscapes:** Hardscape labels will be generic as well (i.e. 'Paving Stone Patio', or 'Pattern Concrete Walkway', etc.)
8. **Patterns:** Use appropriate patterns for hardscape materials (adjust pattern scale as needed).
9. **Your design:** does not need to be rendered (coloured) but can be if you have time.
10. **Submission:** Drawings will be judged and submitted as PDF files for the masterplan and JPEG or PDF files for the bubble diagram.
11. **Tie breaker:** The tie breaker will be based on the time when the drawing was submitted, the time stamp on the file submission will be recorded by the judges.