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TAFE Queensland North wins big at training awards

TAFE Queensland North has plenty to celebrate after taking out a number of titles at several regional finals of the 2016 Queensland Training Awards.

A total of 14 TAFE Queensland North staff and students were named as finalists and seven of those individuals went on to win at awards ceremonies that were recently held in Cairns, Townsville and Yeppoon.

TAFE Queensland North General Manager, Joann Pyne said staff and students are brimming with pride.

“It is wonderful to have so many individuals from TAFE Queensland North recognised as being the top training achievers in their region.

“Some of the awards were for the Harry Hauenschild Apprentice of the Year, Vocational Student of the Year, School-based Apprentice or Trainee of the Year and VET Teacher or Trainer of the Year.

“This sort of recognition is another way that TAFE Queensland North is delivering on its promise to help people Make Great Happen.

“Our seven finalists will now compete to be named the best in the state at the 55th Queensland Training Awards state final event in Brisbane in September and I wish them all the best of luck,” Ms Pyne said.

If the TAFE Queensland North finalists win at the Queensland Training Awards, they will go on to represent the organisation at the Australian Training Awards in Darwin in November.

FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND REGIONAL WINNERS

Harry Hauenschild Apprentice of the Year

Winner: Jason Ballarino

Qualification: Certificate IV in Engineering

Training provider: TAFE Queensland North, Cairns campus

Vocational Student of the Year

Winner: Janene Anderson

Qualification: Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care

Training provider: TAFE Queensland North, Cairns campus

School-based Apprentice or Trainee of the Year

Winner: Eva Condullas

Qualification: Certificate III in Hairdressing

Training provider: TAFE Queensland North, Cairns campus

VET Teacher or Trainer of the Year

Winner: Judy Hoskins

Training provider: TAFE Queensland North, Cairns campus

NORTH QUEENSLAND REGIONAL WINNERS

Vocational Student of the Year

Winner: Emmanuel Nkurunziza

Qualification: Diploma of Community Services (Case Management)

Training provider: TAFE Queensland North, Pimlico campus

VET Teacher or Trainer of the Year

Winner: Nadia Knight

Training provider: TAFE Queensland North, Whitsundays campus

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND REGIONAL WINNERS

Vocational Student of the Year

Winner: Rachael Bell

Qualification: Diploma of Nursing (Enrolled/Division 2 nursing)

Training provider: TAFE Queensland North, Cairns campus and online

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