



Nathan's 'IT factor' blows away rivals

KOLBE Catholic College student Nathan Wood won the WorldSkills Australia VETiS competition in Information Technology.

The 16-year-old computer wiz won the competition against students from around WA and will now represent the State at the national competition in Brisbane in 2010.

Nathan completed a set project that required competitors to design and produce a set of

stationery and a logo for a fictitious company within a six-hour time limit.

He said his success at the competition had not yet sunk in.

"Everyone has been congratulating me on my win – family, friends and teachers – but for me I don't think my win will register until closer to the national competition," he said.

Nathan said his passions lay in developing IT software and new programs, and hoped to

study either software science or computer science at university with a goal of becoming a web-designer or software engineer.

Kolbe head of vocational studies Maryanne Hughes said the competition provided students with an opportunity to test their skills and knowledge.

"Competitions such as this gives students the opportunity to measure their abilities and use the feedback to strengthen their skills," she said.



IT guru Nathan Wood won a statewide competition.