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LOCAL CHEF PLACES SECOND IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

Chef Matt Schellig Places Second in National Chef of the Year Competition Hosted by American Culinary Federation

In late July, the American Culinary Federation hosted its annual Chef of the Year competition in Las Vegas. Some of the best chefs in the nation take part in this competition putting their culinary knowledge, skill, and professionalism to the test as they square off against their peers. Awards presented include Chef of the Year, Pastry Chef of the Year, Student Chef of the Year, Student Pastry Chef of the Year, along with recognition for various regional participants.

During this year's competition, Chef Matt Schellig, a resident of Metro Detroit, and the Director of Culinary Programs at Dorsey College, placed second overall in the Chef of the Year competition and took top honors in the Central Region. Chef Schellig is no stranger when it comes to culinary competitions. Some of his past accomplishments include:

- Winning Chef of the Year from the Michigan Chefs de Cuisine Association in 2019.
- Being Awarded a Bronze Medal at the Culinary World Cup in Luxembourg in 2014.
- Earning professional credentials such as Certified Executive Chef, Certified Executive Pastry Chef, Certified Culinary Educator, and Certified Culinary Administrator.

As the Director of Culinary programs at Dorsey College, Chef Schellig leads a talented team of Chef instructors and oversees the delivery of a Culinary Arts and Baking and Pastry Arts program. A teacher at heart, Chef Schellig was also previously named Chef Educator of the Year by the Michigan Chefs de Cuisine Association, a chapter of the American Culinary Federation. John Barnes, President and CEO of Dorsey College, commented on Chef Schellig's accomplishments by sharing the following, "Chef Matt is the embodiment of a true culinary professional and educator. His passion for the industry and his dedication to his students as they prepare for their newly chosen career is commendable. We are incredibly proud of his accomplishments and to have him leading our culinary programs here at Dorsey College."

Dorsey College was founded in 1934 as the "Calculating and Secretarial Institute" and later renamed "The Dorsey School" by its owner, Ruth Dorsey. Over the years, The Dorsey School became Dorsey Schools, with various locations in Michigan offering quality career training and education. In 2021, Dorsey Schools became Dorsey College. Today, Dorsey College has campus locations throughout Michigan and offers comprehensive career training in the fields of healthcare, nursing, culinary arts, cosmetology, skilled trades, and emergency medical services. Dorsey College is accredited by the Council on Occupational Education (COE). This applies to the Madison Heights campus (which serves as the main campus) and the Dearborn, Roseville, Saginaw, Woodhaven, and Wayne campuses (which are branch campus locations of Madison Heights). To learn more about Dorsey College, you may visit <https://www.dorsey.edu>.

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