

Distinguished Alumni Award 2020

Chad Wehrs **1997 Machine Tooling Graduate**

Chad Wehrs is the owner of Wehrs Machine and Racing Products in Bangor. He is a strong advocate for career and technical education in the area.

Wehrs has long had a passion for vehicles, a tradition that runs in his family. Since childhood, Wehrs was building vehicle parts in his father's garage. His passion continued through high school and into adulthood at Western Technical College, where he enrolled in the Machine Tooling program in 1995.

Following graduation in 1997, he used his life savings to purchase equipment in designing and creating vehicle parts and products. He set up his business in the same building where his grandfather and brother began the Wehrs Chevy dealership in 1935. Today, Wehrs Machine and Racing Products provides vehicle parts for racers around the world.

After 23 years, his business remains strong and recognized throughout the world. As a proud Western alum, Wehrs employs several grads at his own business. He is passionate about technical education in our area, and is a strong advocate for Western Technical College.

