

Ryan Desko graduated with a B.S. degree in Mining Engineering from The Pennsylvania State University in 1995 and obtained a Masters in Business Administration from The University of Pittsburgh the following year. Since graduating from college, he has worked as a Mining Engineer for Arch Coal, Inc. Canterbury Coal Company, Murray Energy Corporation, and Anker Coal Group, Inc. In May 2005, he joined Desko Enterprises, Inc. as President & CEO where he provides administrative, engineering, financial, and operational support as a consultant to various clients, including lenders, in the mining, minerals, and energy industries. Ryan currently resides in Latrobe, Pennsylvania with his wife Jill and daughters Jordan and Taylor where he enjoys coaching youth soccer.

Honors and Affiliations:

- Member of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy, and Exploration (SME) since 1993
- Member of the SME Young Leader's Committee, 2009-2010 (2010 Secretary-Treasurer)
- Graduated Student Marshal, Penn State College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, 1995
- Graduate of Penn State University Scholars Program, 1995
- Recipient of Old Timer's, Robert Stefanko, and Howard Hartman Awards, 1992-1995
- Recipient of SME Coal Division Scholarship Award, 1993
- PSU SME Student Chapter President; 1994-1995; Secretary/Treasurer, 1993-1994