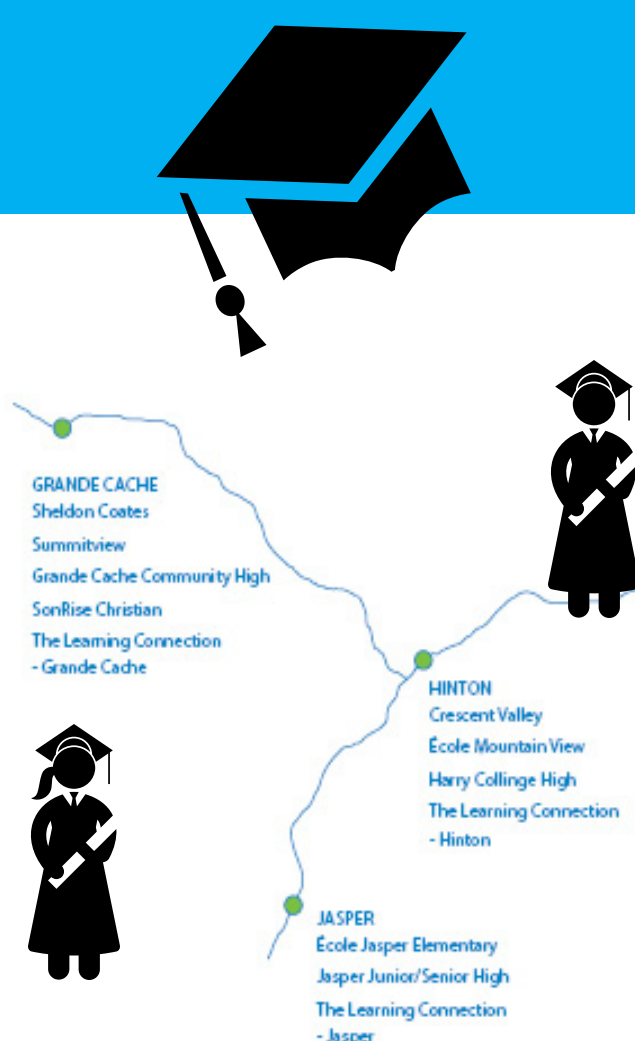


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# Valedictorian Profiles



At Grande Yellowhead Public School Division, **Student Learning** is the first Board Priority.

We are proud of our students and invite you to celebrate their accomplishments.

Help us recognize our five Grade 12 Valedictorians from across GYPSD for the 2021/2022 school year!

## Grand Trunk High School, Evansburg

Congratulations to Grand Trunk Valedictorian for the Class of 2022, **Trinity Shpakowsky!**

Trinity will be attending the University of Alberta for Integrative Biology to obtain her Bachelor of Science, then transferring to the University of Calgary to pursue Veterinary Medicine. Trinity's passion for animals is reflected in the 16 credits she earned through the Equine Production specialization in the Green Certificate program.

Trinity says, "I want to say thank you to my friends and family who've encouraged me to get this far. They played a huge part in all my success." Trinity's advice to her classmates: "Don't be a deer in headlights...move!"



## Parkland Composite High School, Edson

Congratulations to PCHS Valedictorian for the Class of 2022, **Kodah Wilson!**

Next year, Kodah will be studying Neuroscience at the University of Alberta, with the long-term goal of attending Medical School.

Kodah was a very active member of the PCHS Drama Program. His favourite memories from PCHS are all the crazy skits he was part of in drama class - it was always the highlight of his morning!

Kodah says, "I'd love to thank my family and friends for always supporting and rooting for me, and all my teachers throughout my life for always pushing me to do my best, with shoutouts to Miss Crystal, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Dickson, Mr. Sommerfeld, Mrs. Blacker, Ms. Bencz, and Mr. Andersen. Congrats class of 22 for persevering to the very end, even through a whole pandemic!"



## Harry Collinge High School, Hinton

Congratulations HCHS Valedictorian for the Class of 2022, **Brad Jespersen!**

Brad is looking forward to developing his business acumen over the next year as he opens a virtual music instruction platform. The following year, Brad intends to enrol in Music Composition at MacEwan University.

Brad is passionate about so many things, but music holds a very special place in his life—whether it is composing arrangements for concert band, working the mixing board for rock band shows, teaching others to play, or writing songs—music motivates Brad.

By students, Brad will be remembered as knowledgeable, a friend to all, and generous with his time and skills. By staff members, Brad will be remembered as being deeply philosophical. He considers the world from every angle and loves learning about different worldviews and perspectives.



## Grande Cache Community High School

Congratulations GCCHS Valedictorian for the Class of 2022, **Chantelle Fourie!**

This fall, Chantelle will be attending the University of British Columbia Okanagan in Kelowna for her Bachelor of Science in psychology with the plans to pursue her master's degree afterward.

Chantelle says, "a big thank you to all the teachers that got me through the last couple of years." And to her fellow graduates: "do not wait for the perfect time to go out and do something because there will never be a perfect time; just go for it and take a leap of faith!"



## Jasper Junior/Senior High School

Congratulations JJSHS Valedictorian for the class of 2022, **Alyana Carlos!**

Alyana's bright future includes plans of becoming a successful Registered Nurse to empower and support various types of patients. She says she will feel "amazing satisfaction and pride being able to help those in need for a living." She will be attending the Faculty of Nursing at MacEwan University in the fall.

This hard-working and talented student is also a very gifted musician and can be found singing and playing guitar in her spare time. Her advice to her fellow graduates is to "not dwell upon your mistakes and let them define you. Instead, learn from them, strive hard, and try to become the better version of yourself."

