

Valedictorian

2026 GRADUATION



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Congratulations! You are graduating and you are a valedictorian this year. That's amazing! What kept you motivated to reach this milestone?

My mother always pushing me to do my best and my principals, Shelley and Alistair- especially Alistair, he always called on me to help out and speak at events within the school and district.

Who has had the biggest impact on your journey to become valedictorian?

My mom was the valedictorian as well at her high school for the native kids and Emily Magyar (District Principal, Indigenous Education) who thought of me to be the valedictorian and giving me the opportunity to be the valedictorian. My teachers in the Land Based program and Indigenous Support Staff: Gena Marley, Brenda and Tanya and my Grandma for always being there for me to talk to. All my family, really, for always being my supports.

What are you most excited about next?

To grow...

Fill in the blank: "High school taught me _____".

That not everything is handed to you and you have to work Hard for what you want in life.