

# Acton High School honors top students

The natural talent of top Acton District High School students was recognized and honoured recently at the school's annual Academic Achievement Awards. With the awarding of 80-some subject awards for the top students in each course, and 152 Honour Society members – students who achieved an average of 80 per cent or higher in each semester last school year – it was night to be proud of the teens, and to thank their parents, family and

teachers for their necessary support and guidance.

In her welcome, Principal Darlene White said along with the students' natural talent and passions, their achievements were a result of a variety of factors including, "initiative, curiosity, work ethic, time management, independence, team work and self-reflection."

White praised the students for being good citizens and for showing what it means to be part of a community. She said

while some question the commitment of today's youth, she knows at first hand that youth today are more involved in world issues and social issues than ever. "They care deeply about the environment, social justice, and world conflict and are better equipped than any other generation to not only voice their opinions, but transform these opinions into action," White said, adding the students demonstrate leadership, generosity and good judgement.

The consistent effort and positive attitude displayed by student Sarah Scott, in Grade nine last school year, earned her the Jody Larson Achievement Award, named for a former Instructional Assistant at Acton High. The overall top male and female students last school year – those who achieved the highest average for both semesters – were Alex Armstrong and Michael Jones in Grade nine, Jordan Lenz and Robert Bohlken in Grade 10, and Julia Field and Nicho-

las Hansen in Grade 11.

The award winners received a certificate and cheque – 38 local businesses donated approximately \$4,000 for the cash awards.

## Graduates hold Commencement

The following night, October 5, last year's graduating class returned to Acton High School for its Commencement – a night of joyful reunions, proud parents and an atmosphere of promising futures.

The valedictorian was Lu-

cinda Kollenhoven, 18, who has worked at a Milton golf course since graduation. In January, she leaves on a two-year missionary teaching internship in Zambia, with an organization known as Every Orphan's Hope.

Ashley Kenny earned the Governor General's Academic medal, awarded to the graduating student with the highest grade point average. Details of the Acton High School Commencement will appear in next week's issue.

# Academic Awards evening recipient

## THE ARTS

### Dramatic Arts

Gr. 9 Dramatic Arts

Celine Pickles  
Lindsay Christopher  
Julie Holms  
Zachary Kroezen  
Melissa Benham

Gr. 10 Dramatic Arts

Gr. 11 Dramatic Arts

### Music

Gr. 9 Music

Oriana deWolff  
Tahira Kraemer  
Victoria Kim  
Casey Stark  
Erin Hamilton  
Alanna Kitching

Gr. 10 Music

Gr. 10 - Guitar

Gr. 11 Music

### Visual Arts

Gr. 9 Visual Arts

Mackenzie Carroll  
Blair Moore  
Ellen Dobbs  
Melissa Benham  
Keethi Kulenthiran

Gr. 10 Visual Arts

Gr. 11 Visual Arts

Gr. 11 Visual Arts/Yearbook

## BUSINESS STUDIES

Gr. 10 Intro to Business

Gr. 11 Acc. Fundamentals

Gr. 11 Marketing

Jordan Lenz  
Marisa Goddard  
Evan Oulton

## CANADIAN & WORLD STUDIES

### Geography

Gr. 9 Academic Geo.

Breanna Pratley  
Salina Jackson  
Adrien Dafeo  
Alanna Kitching

Gr. 9 Applied Geo.

Gr. 11 Travel & Tourism

### History

Gr. 10 Academic History

Brett McIntyre  
Brienne Thoman  
Aria Gaeta  
Dakota Lepard  
Paige Mathieson  
Julia Field

Gr. 10 Applied History

Gr. 11 Aboriginal Issues

Gr. 11 Aboriginal Beliefs

Gr. 11 World History

### Law

Gr. 11 College/Uni. Law

Meghan Davidson  
Cassandra Ross

## ENGLISH

Gr. 9 Academic

Gr. 9 Applied English  
Gr. 10 Academic English  
Gr. 10 Applied English  
Gr. 11 College English  
Gr. 11 University English  
Gr. 11 Workplace English

Alexandra Armstrong  
Breanna Pratley  
Blair Moore  
Tawnie Snow  
Andrew Croke  
Terry D'ambrosio  
Julia Field  
Nigel Buttivant

## FRENCH LANGUAGE

### French (Core)

Gr. 9 Academic French  
Gr. 9 Applied French  
Gr. 10 Academic French  
Gr. 11 University French

Tahira Kraemer  
Julianna Kobow  
Vanessa Rheault  
Julia Field

## FRENCH (IMMERSION)

Gr. 9 Immersion French  
Gr. 9 L'éducation physique  
Gr. 9 La Géographie  
Gr. 10 Immersion French  
Gr. 10 L'exploration des choix de carrière  
Gr. 10 L'éducation à la citoyenneté  
Gr. 9 Les sciences - Immersion

Oriana deWolff  
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Jordan Lenz  
Jordan Lenz  
Zehra Rajabali  
Oriana deWolff  
Paul Spill

Gr. 11 Immersion French

Michaela deWolff

## GUIDANCE & CAREER EDUCATION

Gr. 10 Career Studies

Gr. 10 Civics

Vanessa Rheault  
Robert Bohlken  
Annalisa Scigliano  
Brett McIntyre

## HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Gr. 9 Girls' Physical Ed.  
Gr. 9 Boys' Physical Ed.  
Gr. 10 Girls' Physical Ed.  
Gr. 10 Boys' Physical Ed.  
Gr. 11 Physical Ed.

Alexandra Armstrong  
A. J. Burnett  
Taylor Kroezen  
Hayden Weston  
Josh Corbett

Gr. 11 Personal & Fitness

Gr. 11 Large Group Activities

Savannah Muir

Abbie Jolly

## MATHEMATICS

Gr. 9 Academic Math  
Gr. 9 Applied Math  
Gr. 10 Academic Math

Gr. 10 Applied Math  
Gr. 11 Foundations of College Math  
Gr. 11 Functions & Applications  
Gr. 11 Functions - University  
Gr. 11 Math - Workplace

Breanna Pratley  
Julianna Kobow  
Tawnie Snow  
Zachary Kroezen  
Carrie-Anne Thompson  
Jacob Lawrence  
Joshua Treadaway  
Julia Field  
Dylan Haja

## SCIENCE

Gr. 9 Academic Science  
Gr. 9 Applied Science  
Gr. 10 Academic Science

Gr. 10 Applied Science  
Gr. 11 College Biology  
Gr. 11 University Biology

Gr. 11 College Chemistry  
Gr. 12 University Chemistry  
Gr. 11 University Physics  
Gr. 11 Environmental Science

Alexandra Armstrong  
Bryce Alarie  
Zachary Kroezen  
Matisse Pickles  
Taylor Kroezen  
Robert Bohlken  
Allison Foot  
Terry D'ambrosio  
Julia Field  
Robert Bohlken  
Julia Field  
Morgan Christmann  
Graham Davison  
Samantha Tennant

## SOCIAL SCIENCES & HUMANITIES

Gr. 10 Food & Nutrition  
Gr. 11 Fashion & Creative Exp.  
Gr. 11 Living & Working with Children  
Gr. 11 Managing Personal Res.  
Gr. 11 World Religions

Gr. 12 Challenge & Change in Soc.

Brodie MacFarlane  
Melissa Benham  
Meghan Davidson  
Austin Dupuis-Andrady  
Julia Field  
Melissa Benham  
Julia Field

## TECHNICAL STUDIES

Gr. 9 Exploring Tech.

Gr. 10 Communications Tech.  
Gr. 10 Construction Tech.

Gr. 10 Manufacturing Tech.  
Gr. 10 Technological Design  
Gr. 10 Transportation Tech.  
Gr. 11 Communications Tech.  
Gr. 11 Construction Tech.  
Gr. 11 Custom Woodworking  
Gr. 11 Technological Design  
Gr. 11 Transportation Tech.  
Gr. 12 Construction Tech.

Oriana deWolff  
Breanna Pratley  
Logan Stamp  
Robert Bohlken  
Vanessa Rheault

Nicholas Seadon  
Jeremy Chasse  
Amit Mehta  
Valarie Wood  
Cody Adema  
Greg Shepard  
Graham Davison  
Josh Corbett  
Cody Adema

## SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

### Jody Larsen Achievement Award

Jody Larsen was an Instructional Assistant at Acton High School for many years. At her request, this award is presented to a student who shows consistent effort and positive attitude during the school year.

For 2011-2012 the award is presented to Sarah Scott.

### Overall Top Students

Presented to the students in each grade who have achieved the highest average for both semesters during the 2011-2012 school year.

Top Grade 9 Students - Alexandra Armstrong & Michael Jones  
Top Grade 10 Students - Jordan Lenz & Robert Bohlken  
Top Grade 11 Students - Julia Field & Nicholas Hansen

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