Students bestowed excellence laurels

The Halton District School Board recently hosted its annual A Celebration of Student Excellence. One student representative was selected from each elementary and secondary school in the public school system to receive the Student Excellence Award. The honour goes to students who demonstrate outstanding qualities in more than one of the following areas: academic, vocational, athletic, self-improvement, community work, citizenship and student leadership. Please note that winners from the Catholic board will be published next week.



Lilli Butt, Gary Allan

Lilli Butt started with Gary Allan's STEP Program in September 2015 when she was 17 years old. She arrived with 12.5 credits. Attendance was a major issue for her in the past. Since starting in the program, Lilli has grown and excelled in many facets of her life.

Since arriving, Lilli has blossomed into a highly driven and dedicated student who was determined to overcome her past academic barriers. She has been a leader in the classroom and is an exceptional student. Outside of the class, she is engaged in various volunteer opportunities in the community while also working part-time. Beyond academics, Lilli is a kind-hearted and caring person. Lilli joins fellow classmates who are anxious about volunteering so they may complete their volunteer hours.



Owen Fleming, Centennial Public School

Owen is an exceptionally hardworking, conscientious student who always

puts his best effort forward. Owen academically achieves top honours in all subjects due to his unwavering work ethic, all the while being actively involved in choir, band, swimming, track and field and parkour. Owen is also known for his honesty, integrity and empathy towards others.



Aeryn Lediard, Ethel Gardiner

Aeryn is an active student in all aspects of school life, providing leadership on sports teams, with Student Parliament, the school play, the

school's band, and as a driving force behind the school's Me-to-We club. Aeryn is a well-respected, a responsible role model and is recognized by the entire school community for her enthusiasm for life and school, as well as her positive attitude. Aeryn is a very strong student academically, consistently striving to see just what she is capable of, willingly taking risks in the name of creativity and excellence, truly viewing all learning as an opportunity.



Emma Pereira, George Kennedy

Emma is a model citizen at George Kennedy Public School. She is the type of student who does the right thing, every time. She cares about the other students, the school and the citizens of Georgetown, and works to do good where she can. Emma is a quiet leader and she helps others to work together in a cohesive way, keeping her sense of humour and ability to connect with others at the forefront of her bright personality.



Maeve Kelleher, Glen Williams

Maeve has had a positive impact on the school community. She is an exemplary leader and role model, who consistently demonstrates care and compassion towards others. She is an active and enthusiastic participant in all activities at school. Maeve has garnered the respect and admiration of her peers and teachers for her self-initiative, strong work ethic, academic achievement, resiliency and her desire to make a difference in the lives of others.



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