

# STUDENT EXCELLENCE

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*Keethi Kulenthiran*  
*Acton High School*

Keethi, a Grade 12 student, is a curious, reliable, and highly conscientious student—strong academically and very civic-minded. Extra-curriculars include: Assisting behind-the-scenes for school drama productions, volunteering at Academic Awards Night, Student Council, White Pine Reading Club and the Semi-Formal Committee. She

is very involved in local community: Homework Club at McKenzie-Smith Bennett P.S., the Even Start Morning Children's Program, the Acton Agricultural Society, and Big Brothers/Big Sisters Homework Club.



*Emily Litster*  
*Christ the King Catholic High School*

Emily leaves her mark wherever she goes. She is a leader throughout the school, as the Catholic Youth Advisor for the Student Council and the founding president of the Arts Council. She is multi-talented, and puts all of these talents to use in her participation in the school choir, her

lead roles in the musicals, her mission work in the Dominican Republic, and her volunteer work in the organization and support of various athletic events. Emily is a perfect example of the Christian citizen that we encourage all of our students become.

## Students represent youth excellence

Students representing each of the Halton District School Board's (HDSB) elementary and secondary schools were recently honoured at the 29th annual Celebration of Student Excellence.

Students were recognized for demonstrating outstanding qualities in more than one of the following areas: academic, vocational, athletic, self-improvement, community work, citizenship, and student leadership.

"We welcome this opportunity to celebrate their success and to acknowledge the teachers, parents and community members who have helped these students in their achievements," says David Euale, Director of Education for the Halton District School Board.

Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) also honoured its outstanding students at its 25th annual Sharing the Spirit Award of

Excellence celebration. As well, HCDSB Special Education Advisory Committee presented its region-wide Spirit of Inclusion Awards.

The students who have been selected to receive the Sharing The Spirit Award were nominated by their principal. Each demonstrated outstanding qualities in the following areas: Catholic leadership, family commitment, involvement in school affairs, involvement in community activities and dedication to a difficult situation or task.

HCDSB Michael Pautler, Director of Education says, "The award recipients, through their daily interactions have demonstrated a commitment to serve their communities, and live their lives by Christ's example."

In this special four-page section, The IFP showcases the Halton Hills students selected to represent our local HDSB and HCDSB schools.



*Chloe Karger*  
*Georgetown High School*

Chloe, a Grade 12 student, shows a commitment to success no matter what she sets her mind to, and she has been a model student and community member during her time at GDHS. She is kind, compassionate and leads with a gentle maturity which sets her apart from her peers. She is easy to work with due to her humble nature and academically she consistently exemplifies a strong application of learning and critical thinking. Chloe manages to balance a job, extra-curricular and community involvement with near perfect attendance. As a member of Link Crew, the designer of hallway bulletin boards and stage manager for the school musical, she has demonstrated dependability and a will-

ingness to work with staff and students to ensure that GDHS is a welcoming, safe and engaging place. Chloe strives for excellence and rejects mediocrity regardless of timelines, the daunting nature of the task or her other commitments.



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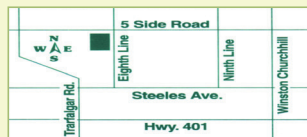
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