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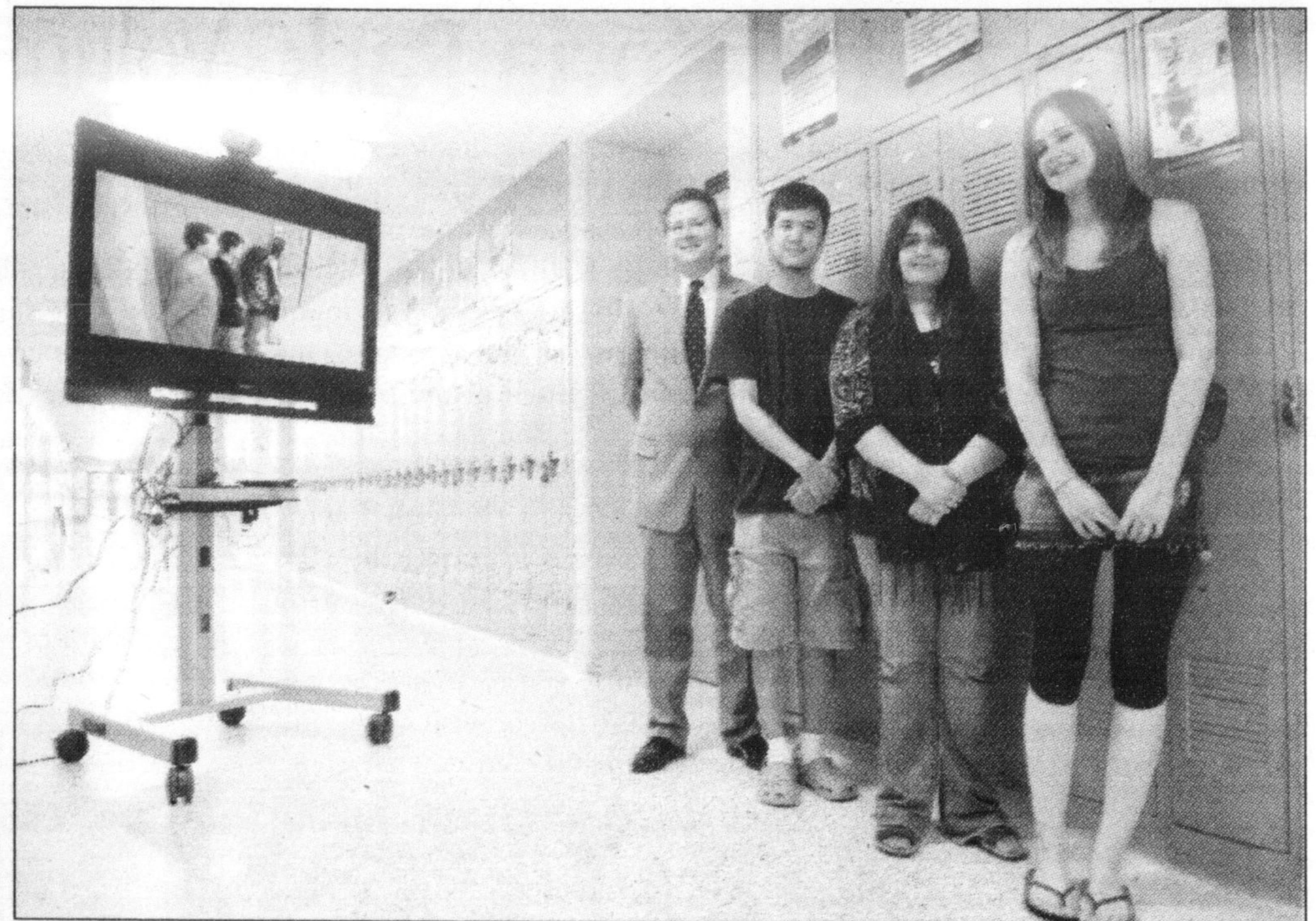
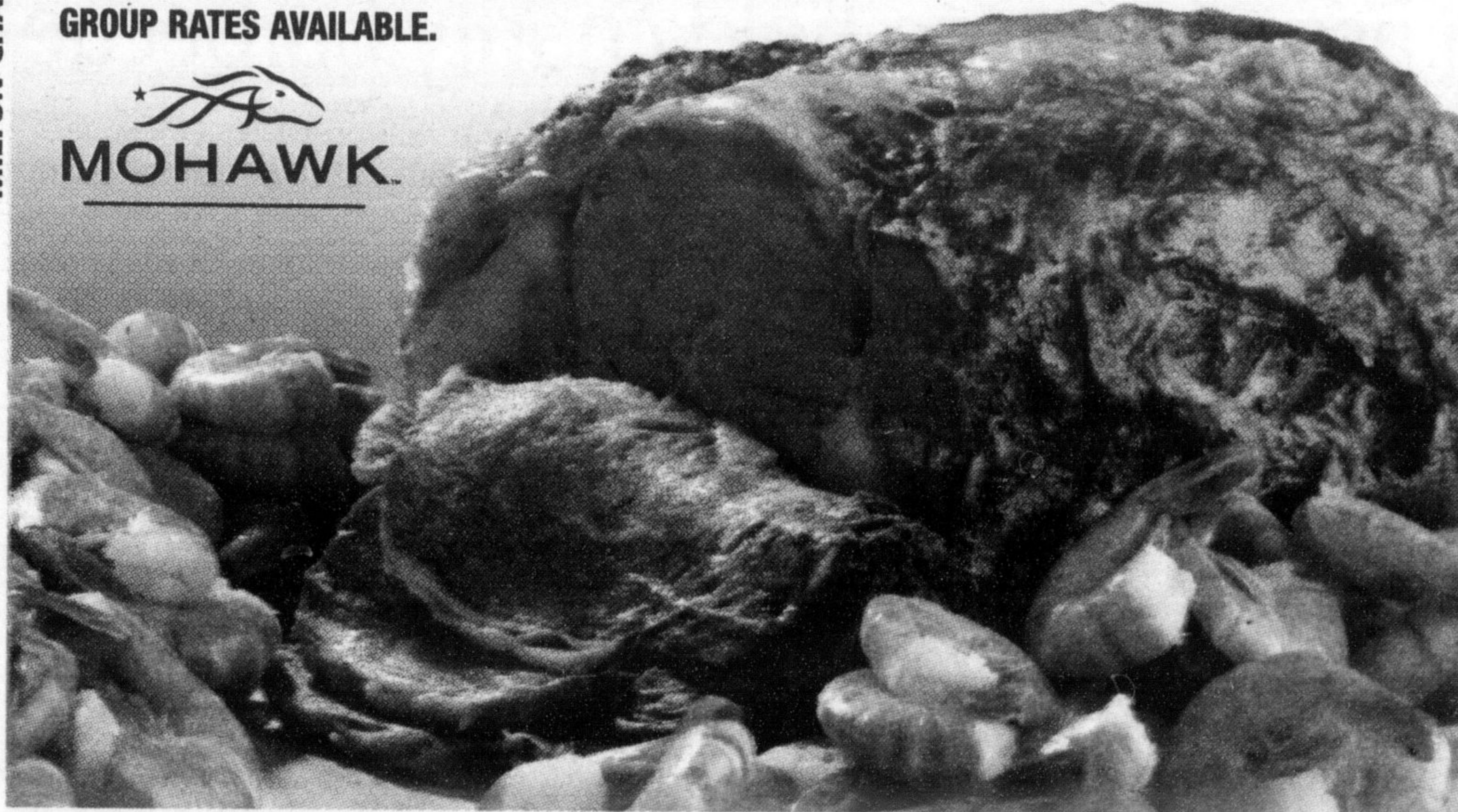
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IN CONFERENCE: Ernest C. Drury School for the Deaf students (front to back) Kayla Morden, Zanib Kasir and Tristan Kong are presented with a free Tandberg video conferencing system by Canadian National Sale Manager Andy Zuk. At the 2009 MegaDEAFConference in March, the students won first for their presentation on the school's Arts and Culture Specialist High Skills Major Program.

Ontario's adoption records are now open.

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Effective June 1, 2009, Ontario's adoption records are open. This means that adopted adults and birth parents can apply for post-adoption birth information from birth records and adoption orders.

An adopted adult, 18 years of age or older, can now apply for a copy of his or her original birth registration and adoption order. A birth parent can receive information from the birth registration and adoption order of the child that was placed for adoption once that child turns 19 years old.

If you want your identifying information kept private, and if the adoption order was made before September 1, 2008, adopted adults and birth parents can file a disclosure veto.

To learn more about your right to information and privacy regarding adoption, visit www.ontario.ca/adoptioninfo or call 1-800-461-2156 (TTY 416-325-3408).

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Reding student earns 94.1%

The Catholic school students who are walking away with this year's Governor General Bronze Medals are a nearly perfect lot.

With final grade averages of more than 90 per cent in all their Grade 11 and 12 courses, the seven students are being recognized as the highest graded graduates at each of their respective schools.

Michal Chwalek of Bishop Reding Secondary School earned an average grade of 94.1 per cent.

"Our board is very proud of the high academic achievements of these students," said Director of Education Michael Pautler.

"This medal of recognition is indicative of the many great accomplishments that these fine examples of Catholic graduates have made during their high school careers and will continue to make to society."

The medals, which have been awarded since 1873, recognize the outstanding scholastic achievements of students in Canada.

Halton farm guide released

Those looking to spend a summer weekend buying fresh fruit, riding horses or buying plants for the garden will have an easier time plotting their adventure with the new guidemap, 'A Guided Tour of Halton Farms.'

The map includes locations of farms where visitors can pick or purchase fresh produce, nurseries, horse farms with riding trails, lessons and camps, and local farmers' markets.

The guide is published by Halton Region's Simply Local initiative, which promotes Halton's agricultural industry and encourages healthy eating and physical activity.

To get a copy of the map, visit www.halton.ca/simplylocal or contact Access Halton at (905) 825-6000 or e-mail accesshalton@halton.ca.