



2021-2022 Dave Gifford Memorial Scholarship Winners

BC School Sports is happy to announce the Dave Gifford Memorial Scholarship for student-athletes who plan to attend accredited post-secondary institutions. Recipients exemplify exceptional athletic ability, academic prowess, and have demonstrated outstanding service and leadership in their school and/or community.



Owen Luchies

St. Andres Regional School

Sports: Basketball, Volleyball, Track & Field, Soccer

Sports Accolades: Grade 8 Basketball MVP, Grade 10 Top Junior Basketball Scorer, Grade 10 Vancouver Island Basketball MVP, Grade 12 Vancouver Island All-City 1st Team Basketball, Grade 12 Top Basketball Scorer, Grade 12 Vancouver Island All-Star 1st Team Basketball, Grade 12 Vancouver Island All-Star 1st Team Volleyball

Academic Accolades: Straight A's

Owen has positioned himself as a hard-working leader on his high school sports teams, putting everything he has into his team both on-and-off the field and court. He regularly volunteers as a mentor for baseball players in his community, as he plays for the Victoria Eagles in the BC Premier Baseball League and with the Victoria Harbourcats club. As captain of the basketball team and assistant captain of the volleyball team, Owen has developed a camaraderie that spans both age and athletic ability. He chooses to always behave as a role model, using both wins and losses as motivation to further his own and his team's performance and bond. A prime example of Owen's drive and tenacity is his soccer season: he started as a bench player, and though they lost the Island Championship, ultimately performed as a starting striker to bring home the Provincial Championship.



Christina Peet Williams

Chilliwack Secondary

Sports: Cross Country, Track & Field, Soccer

Sports Accolades: Female Athlete of the Year, Big Block Sports Award, Female Cross Country Runner of the Year, 5 Provincial Championship Medals, 2 National Championship Medals, Track & Field Championship Aggregate Winner

Academic Accolades: Grade 11 "A" Honour Roll, Grade 12 "A" Honour Roll

Christina is highly motivated and tenacious in all aspects of her life. She is an accomplished athlete, holding multiple provincial and national championship medals and the role of cross country team captain. Not only does she excel in athletics, but also in academics and community support. She volunteers regularly at her local food bank and soup kitchen, lends a hand to a non-profit thrift store, and participates in slough restoration and garbage pickup. During the Covid-19 pandemic, Christina has stepped up in her home life, taking care of domestic responsibilities, and maintaining her punctuality thanks to her trusty bicycle. Christina looks forward to moving out for university to continue her independence.

Congratulations to the Scholarship recipients.
We wish them the best of luck in their future academic and athletic endeavors, and thank them for their contributions to high school sports.