



2022 - 2023

Bert & Greta Quartermaine Badminton Scholarship Recipients

BC School Sports has selected six recipients for the Bert & Greta Quartermaine Badminton Scholarship. In addition to excellence in badminton, these candidates displayed a high level of academic achievement, as well as standout community and school leadership. They will all be attending an accredited post-secondary institution in the fall.

Congratulations to these exceptional student-athletes! We wish them the best of luck as they embark on this next chapter of life.

Thank you for your contributions to school sports.

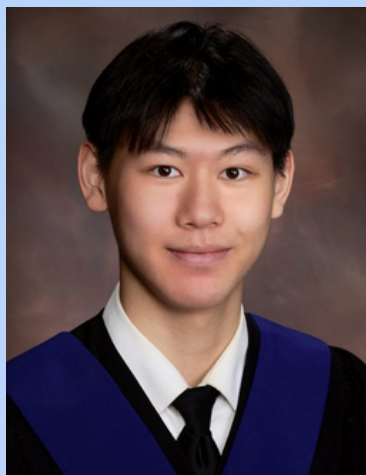


Daniel So
Eric Hamber
Secondary

Athletic Accolades: Senior Badminton City Champions, 5th place in Senior Badminton Provincial Tournament, MVP in Provincial Tournament, named badminton team MVP, captain of the school's senior badminton team .

Academic Accolades: Honour Roll, Principal's List.

From a young age, Daniel has always had the innate desire to help those in need. He is committed to easing the burden of income inequality in his community, by working tirelessly at the Vancouver Food Bank. Through this experience, he has learned to see others for who they are, rather than the struggles they face. At his school, Daniel is heavily involved in athletics, working as a manager for the boys' volleyball team and leading the intramural program. Daniel is a leader who models empathy. He ensures everyone he works with feels valued and able to share their perspectives without judgement. Daniel truly cares for others, and that is demonstrated in everything he does.



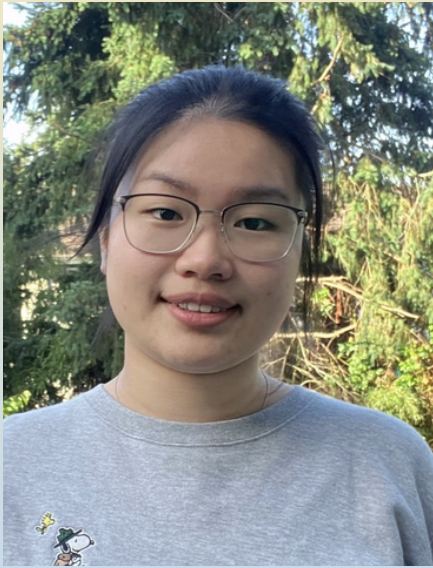
Joshua Yan
Mount Douglas
Secondary

Athletic Accolades: Two-time BC Provincial Championships U19 BD second place, BC Provincial Championships U19 XD third place, two-time co-captain of the school varsity badminton team.

Academic Accolades: Academic Roll, Math Challengers contest senior coach.

Joshua is heavily involved in his school and community, holding numerous leadership positions. His discipline and responsibility landed him the Editor-in-Chief position with the school yearbook, where he manages his peers, while still allowing for positive collaborations. Joshua also spends countless hours coaching the next generation of badminton players and organizing school spirit events. He views defeat not as a failure, but as an opportunity for growth, demonstrating his perseverance. Joshua's attitude, and willingness to learn from others, have allowed him to excel in all areas of his life.

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Amy Zhang
Mount Douglas
Secondary

Athletic Accolades: School badminton MVP, two-time Athlete of the Month, captain of the senior badminton team.

Academic Accolades: Honour Roll, French 11 Subject Award, top 25% in the Fermat Math Contest, BC Cancer Research Day Outstanding School Delegate, Math Challengers contest coach.

Amy moved to Canada at a young age and felt supported by her community instantly. As she grew up, her past inspired her to start supporting the same community that had helped her. She participates in extensive leadership campaigns. She is part of multiple environmentally oriented clubs, where she removes invasive plant species, encourages youth to fight climate issues, and creates presentations that are given to other schools to raise awareness. Amy is also part of the Conversation Club which helps international students improve their English language skills. Outside of school, Amy volunteers at her local hospital. She spends time with patients and helps fuel the expansion of the program by mentoring other volunteers. She also acts as the assistant coach for a club badminton team, which comes with lots of responsibility. Amy's commitment to improving her community and brightening the lives of everyone she encounters, is exceptional.



Marianne Li
David Thompson
Secondary

Athletic Accolades: David Thompson Athlete of the Year, runner up at cities Junior Badminton, captain of the school team.

Academic Accolades: Grade 11 and 12 grade point average above 90%.

Marianne is heavily involved in badminton and volleyball at her school, where she excels in both sports. She is kindhearted and drawn to people, which motivated her to volunteer. Marianne has been volunteering with Scouts Canada for years, where she supports young kids in various hands-on activities. She doesn't hesitate to put in extra time to support the children who need it. She also volunteers at the Kensington Community Centre as a coach for multiple sports. At school, she is involved as an assistant coach, scorekeeper, and a leader of the uniform distribution team. Marianne has also worked extremely hard to hone her badminton skills. She originally struggled playing the sport at the high school level. But, in the face of adversity and failure, she persevered. She put in extra effort and developed herself into one of the strongest players on the team.

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Sally Jie
St. John's School

Athletic Accolades: Two-time Silver Medalist in ISAA Varsity Girls Badminton, Silver Medalist in the Senior Badminton GVISAA league, two-time captain of the school badminton team.

Academic Accolades: Junior Achievement Investment Strategies team placed in the top 4%.

Sally is a strong, confident leader, who takes initiative and uses her voice to create positive change. At her school, Sally noticed inequalities in the way sports were promoted. Badminton and many girls' teams were underrepresented despite their success. She decided to change this, establishing a new student council position dedicated to recognizing all sports equally. She also organized charity badminton tournaments and student vs. staff games at her school, which promoted the sport and raised money for KidsSport BC. Despite her busy schedule as a multi-sport athlete, she still manages to find time to coach at her badminton club. Sally's efforts demonstrate that she's a leader with an incredible work ethic, who is always willing to stand up for what is right.



Anika Takahashi
Point Grey Secondary

Athletic Accolades: Senior badminton MVP, Provincial Champion U19 Doubles, Canada Junior Ranking Top 10, two-time captain of the school badminton team, three-time president of the school Badminton Club, NCCP Coaching Certificate.

Academic Accolades: Honour Roll Recognition, Point Grey Silver Greyhound Pins.

Anika is motivated not by her desire for individual success, but by a passion for inspiring others and helping them reach their goals. This began when she started coaching with the Clearone Badminton Centre. Anika's experience encouraged her to bolster the badminton program at her school, where she founded the Badminton Club and generated interest from over 100 students. She then facilitated the integration of these new players by creating a mentorship program within the team. Her efforts earned her a captain position. The title involved managing and organizing team tryouts, practices, and games. Anika's leadership efforts extend to other areas of the school too, as she is part of student council, yearbook, and numerous other leadership clubs. Anika's efforts have had a positive impact on her school community and helped her build a strong legacy at Point Grey Secondary.