

Portage la Prairie Hutterian Schools

Accountability Report to Parents

2010-2011 School Year

Accountability Report:

The Hutterian Schools Department works closely with its staff, students and parent advisory council. At our meetings, goals and concerns are identified and plans are developed. The following is a summary of our schools mission and mandate statements as well as the education goals, plans and successes that have been achieved during the school year. We believe that a strong partnership between the staff, students, and parent advisory committee members is essential to improve the education for students at our colony schools. We believe that school planning, school visitations, and the partnership with the Hutterian Communities and our schools is crucial to student success. The following report has been prepared to continue to keep the parents of our students and their communities informed.

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Mission: Partners Pursuing Quality Education

Mandate: Hutterian schools are responsible for ensuring that all students have the opportunity to acquire the basic knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to be self-reliant, responsible, caring and contributing members of

a Hutterian community without having to leave their home community or compromise Colony beliefs.

Hutterian Schools Profile:

The Hutterian Schools are a collection of 10 schools which are located at 10 Hutterite Colonies around Portage la Prairie, with a student population of 261 students. We had 25 professional teaching staff, 1 supervisor, 1 resource staff and a support staff of 11 teacher assistants and 1 secretary. A Kindergarten to Grade 8 English Program is delivered at each of the 10 schools by the site teachers. A Senior 1 to Senior 4 English Program is delivered by a team of 5 high school teachers using a ITV system and rotating school visits. This program is also delivered to three schools from the Pine Creek School Division and two schools from the Lakeshore School Division.

Hutterian Education Goals:

Goal 1: Students achieve high standards in an education focused on what students need to learn.

Goal 2: To enable the Hutterian Schools' Advisory Council to be an effective voice and support for education.

Goal 3: To provide the necessary professional development to support the staff (professional & support) as they strive to reach the other goals.

Goal 4: To secure the technology that will enhance student learning, and increase efficiency and flexibility of delivery.

Goal 5: To improve communication.

Hutterian Parent Advisory Council:

Chairperson - Clinton Waldner

Vice-Chairperson - Ivan Stahl

Secretary/Treasurer - Lyndon Waldner

Hutterian Schools Department - Bruce McCallum

Staff Representatives - Brent Hoar

Brantwood Colony School - Ivan Stahl/Terry Waldner

Elm River Colony (Brennan School) - Herb Hofer

Good Hope Colony School - Eddy Wollman

Grand Colony (Ingleside School) - Ernie Waldner/Marvin Stahl

Norquay Colony School - Lyndon Waldner

Northern Breeze Colony School - Brian Hofer

Sommerfeld Colony School - Clarence Gross/David Gross

Sunnyside Colony School - Clinton Waldner

Westroc Colony School - Levi Gross/Lyndon Gross

Woodland Colony School - Corny Hofer

Out of Division

Forest Home - Eugene Hofer

Beaver Creek - Jake Waldner

Muller - Paul Junior Gross

Marble Ridge - Jonty Waldner

Broad Valley - Ernie Wipf

Hutterian Schools Accomplishments

- Changes in education curricula has meant that teachers have spent many hours reading, attending PD, and discussing with colleagues and in grade group and subject group meetings
- A total of nine Student received their high school diplomas in June 2010.
- Sharing of Hutterian financial information with German teachers took place at each Parent Advisory Council Meeting as well as with the teaching staff at staff meetings.
- The Early Literacy program continued to be an asset.
- Schools held a fundraiser to go toward the PCU centre.
- Early Years Teachers received intensive training in a new math program - "First Steps in Math".

Individual School Highlights:

High School Program:

89 Students

- The Portage Hutterian High School program was supervised/administrated by Bruce McCallum, and delivered by 4.5 teaching staff as follows:
Cory Dressler (1/2T): 9-12 Music/ 9 Social Studies/11-12 Physical Education
Brent Hoar (FT): 10-12 ELA / 12 World Issues / 9 Foods and Nutrition / 9-10 Health-Physical Education
Patrick Lacroix (FT): 9 Math / 10-12 Applied Math/12 Consumer Math/ 10 Digital Pictures / 11 Desk-top Publishing / 11 Topics in Science
Kelvin Martel (FT): 9 ELA /10-12 Life Works / 9 Drafting / 10Geography / 11 History /9 Art/Senior Years Apprenticeship
Cheryl Patzer*(FT): 9-10 Science/ 11 Canadian History / 9 Clothing-Housing-Design/ 10 -11 Essential Math
Doug Braden - Covered Cheryl Patzers Maternity Leave from November on.
- The total number of schools participating in the Portage Hutterian High School Program remained at 14. The schools participating in the Portage Hutterian High School system included *Brantwood, Good Hope, Ingleside, Norquay, Northern Breeze, Sommerfeld, Sunnyside, Westroc, and Woodlands* from the **Portage la Prairie School Division**; *Beaver Creek, Muller, and Forest Home* from the **Pine Creek School Division**; and *Marble Ridge and Broad Valley* from the **Lakeshore School Division**.
- The grade 12 students wrote their Provincial Exams in Math and ELA in January of 2011.
- The grade 9/10 Health - Phys. Ed. Students participated in First Aid training in May of 2011
- The first semester awards day was held on Monday, January 31st, and the second semester awards BBQ was held on Tuesday, June 21st.
- Nine students graduated from the Portage la Prairie Hutterian High School program.
- The Governor General's medal was awarded to Jacob Hofer from Northern Breeze.
- A total of eighteen students were placed on the Honor Roll.
- The yearbook continues to be a highlight of the school year.

Brennan School (Elm River Colony):

Teacher/Principal - **Elma Maendel** (Grades K-4)

Students 27

Teacher - **Robert Maendel** (Grades 5-8)

Music/High School Teacher - **Karen Maendel** (Grades K-12)

Teacher Assistant - **Linda Maendel**

Teacher Assistant - **Garret Hofer**

• Art Smarts Project:

- Glass Fusing Projects with Sue Klassen

• Music Classes:

- Students are learning—choir singing, sight singing, theory, boom whackers, tone chimes and singing in the parts

• Parent / Teacher / Student Gathering:

- Open house for fall parent/teacher day: All colony members were invited to attend and participate in an evening of games and learning activities.

• Performances/Celebrations:

- Christmas Concert: Tuesday, December 21, 2009 an ideal opportunity to showcase students' music achievements and oral language skills while presenting the Christmas message. All K - 12 students participated.
- Wedding in June: all students performed various music pieces
- Sharing our World: High School students performed several songs
- Grade 4-12 students attended a Citizenship Ceremony in Portage; High School students performed a song.

• Philanthropy Projects:

- Samaritan's Purse: Operation Christmas Child - filling shoe boxes with toys and hygiene items to present to needy children around the world.
- Koats for Kids Campaign: Grade 5 - 8 students canvassed the community for winter clothing
- Pennies for the Poor: Grades 1- 3 students collected \$50.00 worth of pennies which they used to purchase and send school kits to Haiti as part of project love.

• I Love to Read Activities for February:

- Several guest speakers/readers were invited to read including Dr. Karen Pain, Mr. Bruce McCallum and Mr. Mike Mauws

• Fieldtrips:

- Safety Presentation at
- Sledding at Valley View Bible Camp in MacGregor
- Farm Safety Day at Sunnyside
- Grade K to 4 Hutterian Track & Field Meet at Fairholme Colony
- Grade 5 to 12 Hutterian Track & Field Meet at Good Hope
- K - 4 Fieldtrip: Assiniboine Zoo and Splash Island
- 7 - 12: tour of Free Press and Bowling

• School Publications:

- Twice a year we published a school newsletter which showcases our students' written and artistic talents
- School Yearbook: to commemorate our achievements and reminisce about the year that was.

• Poetry & Drama Festival:

- Our grades K - 6 students participated in: Hutterer Poesiefest (German Poetry Fest)
- Doreen Maendel placed 2nd in the K-2 category.

• Guest Speakers / Presenters:

- Jan Kushnier - Butterflies and tortoises
- Eileen Warthe - presented on her trip to Mexico delivering shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child
- Dora Maendel - Remembrance Day presentation on Alcatraz Brothers
- Willie Amos & Jump Team—Skipping Clinic
- Rocks and Rims - Introduction to Curling for all grades

• Graduation:

- July 10, 2011 - We celebrated Brennan Schools Fourth High School Graduation:
Stephanie Hofer
Andrew Waldner

Brantwood Colony School:

Students 25

Teacher/Principal - **John Paramor** (Grades K-8)

Teacher - **Diane Wing** (Grades K-4)

Teacher Assistant-**Gwen Armishaw**

- Bowling at Southport
- Sliding at Valleyview Bible Camp
- Reading Buddies
- I Love to Read Month
- Christmas Concert
- Field Trip

Good Hope Colony School:

Students 26

Teacher/Principal - **Sandra Wollman** (Grades K-8)

Teacher - **Eddie Wollmann** (Grades K-8)

Teacher - **Val Stephan** (Music) 8%

- **Track & Field:**
 - K - 4 participated in the 4th Annual Hutterian Track & Field in June hosted by Fairholme Colony.
 - Good Hope School hosted the 4th Annual Hutterian Track & Field and were awarded the Girls Champion Banner.
- **Philanthropy**
 - Collected money for Siloam Mission
 - Made Shoe Boxes for Operation Christmas Child
 - Made crafts to sell for Donation to PCU Centre
- **Field Trip**
 - Went to Aviation Museum
 - Went to Imax to watch "Born to be Wild"
- **Extra - Curricular Activity:**
 - went swimming to PCU Centre as a recreational activity and for swimming lessons every Thursday.
- Participated in the German Hutterer Poesie Fest in Baker.

Ingleside School (Grand Colony):

Teacher/Principal - **Betty-Jean Checkley** (Grades 4 - 8)

28 students

Teacher- **Kara Zwarich** (Grades K - 3)

E.A.- **Samantha White**

- Terry Fox Walk September—6.4 km
- Harvest Party with a Fish Pond
- Student of the week—primary
- Pen pals @Tschetter Colony, Alberta
- Buddy Reading - interscholastic
- Leveled Reading - interscholastic
- 10 Fire Drills-2 lockdowns
- Valentines for Vets—Remembrance Activities
- Healthy Schools in Motion Grant
- Roger's Hill Field Trip
- Valentine's Day Party - King and Queen crowning, as voted by the students
- 100th Day Activities
- I Love to Read Month - guests and activities (reached reading goal in Room 2)
- Earth Day Clean –activities/Earth Balls/sustainability resources
- Mother's Day Ice Cream Social
- Father's Day BBQ and Baseball Game
- Making of Gingerbread Houses with Mother's Help
- Visit from Constable Shannon Neff - Re: Safety, in the fall
- Health Nurse visits
- Student Involved Conferences
- Christmas Concert - Afternoon
- Teacher Made Yearbook
- Grant Secured by Ms. Checkley for leveled books from Portage and District Community Foundation for \$895.00
- Terry Fox
- United Way Hat Day
- "Pennies for Peace" Initiative
- Operation Christmas Child Boxes-picked up by EMA ladies with the ambulance
- Salvation Army volunteering - Room 2

Ingleside Continued:

Philanthropy Work

- Sandbagging in the Spring - Room 2, Ms. Checkley and Ernie Waldner

Staff Development

- Assessment Committee - Ms. Checkley
- First Steps in Math - Miss Zwarich
- PLC - Learning Disabilities - Ms. Checkley
- Portage Area Reading Council - Ms. Checkley
- ECT - Miss Zwarich and Miss White re: funded student

Norquay Colony School:

22 Students

Teacher/Principal - **Val Steppan** (Grades K-8) 50%

Teacher/Principal - **Tannis Andrich** (Grades K - 8) 50%

Educational Assistant - **Marilynn Lawrence** 50%

- September: Welcome to the Colony
- October: Thanksgiving Activities, all year Book It Program began, Peak of the Market Contest
- November: Remembrance Day Activities, Pork Council Coloring Contest, Parent-Teacher Interviews, Book It
- December: Christmas Concert, Book It
- January: Book It, Diabetes Presentation
- February: I love to read Activities, Book It, Parent Teacher Interviews, Terriers visit, 100th Day, Electrical Safety Presentation
- March: Spring Easter Activities, Book It, Art Smart Projects, Diabetes Presentation Evening
- April: Book It, Art Smart Project Trip
- May: Mother's Day Project, Science fair
- June: Track and Field Day, Graduation, Field Trip (Winnipeg), Father's Day project, Yearbook. Farm Safety, Library

Northern Breeze Colony School:

26 Students

Teacher/Principal - **Maria Metzloff**

Teacher (am) - **Carla Popoff**

Teacher Assistant - **Barb Warburton**

- Terry Fox Run
- 6 students enrolled in High School
- Walk to School Day/Week
- Snowshoeing and Cross Country Skiing in PE
- Hosted "Secret Friend" at Valentine's Day
- Participated in Student lead Conferences
- Field Trip to the Assiniboine Park Zoo and the Manitoba Children's Museum and picnic at Island Park
- Buddy Reading: saw our literacy rates increase significantly
- High School Awards
- Graduation and Field Day Extravaganza!
- New School Plans ready and set to start building!!!!!!

Sommerfeld Colony :

Principal/Teacher—**Ann Latoski**

18 student

Teacher Assistant—**Debbie Hewitt**

- September: Welcome Back
- October: Walk to School
Harvest/Thanksgiving Party
Virtues Program Started
- November: Remembrance Day
Operation Christmas Child (sent out 23 boxes)
Craft and Bake Sale
- December: Baking for Christmas sing - a - long and class party
- February: I Love to Read - Goal 3000 books Actual: 3 844
Book Worm - Hosea Hofer
Guest Readers
- April: Early Literacy with Mrs. Wall and Mrs. Marynuik
- May: Field Trip - Winkler - postponed due to weather until September 14th
- June: Kindergarten Visits
Sports Day
Awards Day

Sunnyside Colony School:

Students 28

Teacher/Principal - **Joshua Waldner**

Teacher (A.M.) - **Tannis Andrich**

Teacher Assistant - **Gwen Armishaw**

- September: Back to School Night
 - High School Orientation Night
 - Terry Fox Walk
 - Swimming Lessons-Shindleman Aquatic Centre
 - Assistant Lifeguard Course
- October: Thanksgiving Activities
 - Sunnyside School Parent Advisory Council Meetings
 - Harvest Festival
 - Swimming Lessons-Shindleman Aquatic Centre
 - RCMP - Stranger Safety
 - Shriners - Fire Safety
- November:
 - Swimming Lessons - Shindleman Aquatic Centre
 - Assistant Lifeguard Course
 - Participated in PCU Fundraiser
 - Remembrance Day Activities
- December:
 - Swimming Lessons - Shindleman Aquatic Centre
 - Assistant Lifeguard Course
 - Christmas Concert
- January: Sunnyside School Parent Advisory Council Meeting
- February:
 - Sledding Trip at Valleyview Bible Camp
 - I Love to Read Month Activities
 - 100th Day of School Activities
 - Valentine's Day Activities
 - Skating Lessons by Bruce McCallum - PCU Centre
- March:
 - Swimming Lessons - Shindleman Aquatic Centre
 - Assistant Lifeguard Course
 - Skating Lessons by Bruce McCallum - PCU Centre
 - Spirit Week - March 22-25, 2011 - Stylish Hair Day, Crazy Shoes Day, Wacky Wear Day, Twin Day, and Foreigner Day
- April:
 - Swimming Lessons - Shindleman Aquatic Centre
 - Assistant Lifeguard Course
 - Sunnyside School Parent Advisory Council Meetings
- May:
 - Swimming Lessons - Shindleman Aquatic Centre
 - Assistant Lifeguard Course
- June:
 - Farm Safety Day Camp hosted at Sunnyside Colony School
 - K-4 Track and Field Day at Fairholme Colony School
 - 5-12 Track and Field Day at Good Hope Colony
 - * Boys Champions for the second year in a row!
 - Sports and Awards Day 2011

Westroc Colony School:

Students 32

Teacher/Principal - **Sheryl Livingston**

Teacher (pm)- **Carla Popoff**

Teacher Assistant - **Carol Vlooswyk**

Teacher Assistant - **Jackie Davey**

- Westroc Newsletter - Oct.
- Remembrance Day Service - Nov. 9th
- Portfolio Day - Nov. 10th
- Valentine's Day Party - February 14th
- Portfolio Day - February 12th
- St. Patricks Day Party - March 17th
- Farm Safety - June 3rd
- Field Trip to Winnipeg - June 10th
- Sports Day and Awards - June 23rd

Woodland Colony School:

Teacher/Principal - **Kathy Simpson** (Grades 1-8)

27 students

Teacher - **Riley Skinner** (Grades K-3) 50%

Educational Assistant - **Brenda Krahn** (100%)

- Grade 5-8 did Terry Fox Run
- Remembrance Day Service
- Received \$100 Healthy Schools Grant
- Had Guest Readers during I Love to Read Month
- Christmas Concert
- 100th Day Celebration
- Valentine's Day Party
- Sports Day
- Farm Safety Day at Westroc Colony
- Field trip to Assiniboine Zoo and Tinkertown

Honour Roll 2010-2011

Grade 9

Samantha Wollman	Good Hope
Isaac Kleinsasser	Beaver Creek
Stephanie waldner	Forest Home

Grade 10

Georgina Hofer	Marble Ridge
Ashley Hofer	Marble Ridge

Grade 11

Susanna Waldner	Sunnyside
Jerome Hofer	Northern Breeze
Kaitlyn Gross	Westroc
Kayla Kleinsasser	Beaver Creek
Bethany Waldner	Beaver Creek
Lyndsey Gross	Muller
Tyson Waldner	Marble Ridge
Susan Hofer	Marble Ridge
Travis Waldner	Forest Home

Grade 12

Jacob Hofer	Northern Breeze
Kaitlyn Maendel	Norquay
Heidi Waldner	Beaver Creek

Adult Education

Rachel Waldner	Norquay
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Graduating Class of 2010-2011

Andrew Waldner - Brennan

Stephanie Hofer - Brennan

Jonathan Waldner - Northern Breeze

Jacob Hofer - Northern Breeze

Kaitlyn Maendel - Norquay

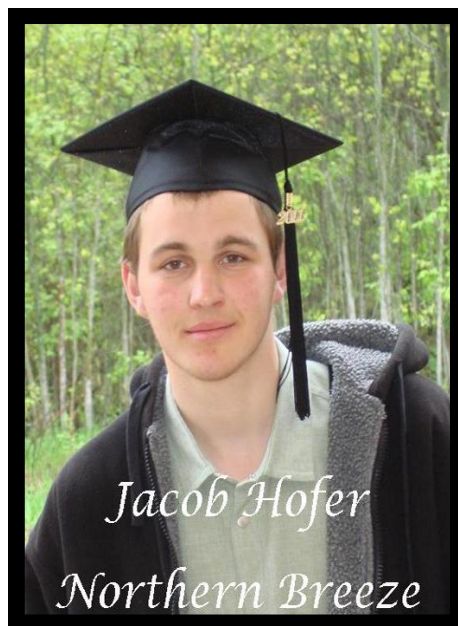
Damian Kleinsasser - Sunnyside

Cara Gross - Muller

Jacobi Gross - Muller

Rodney Hofer - Forest Home

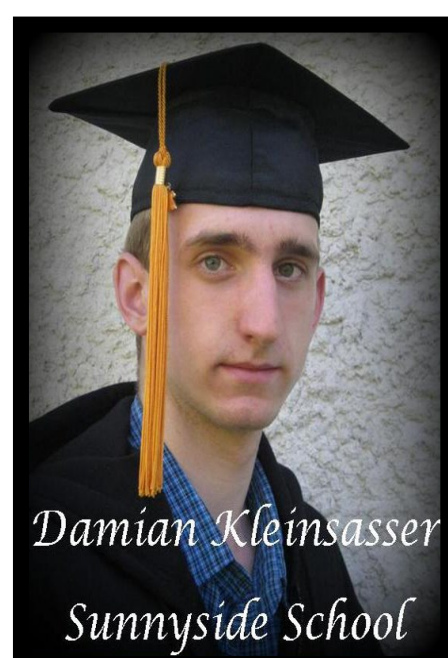
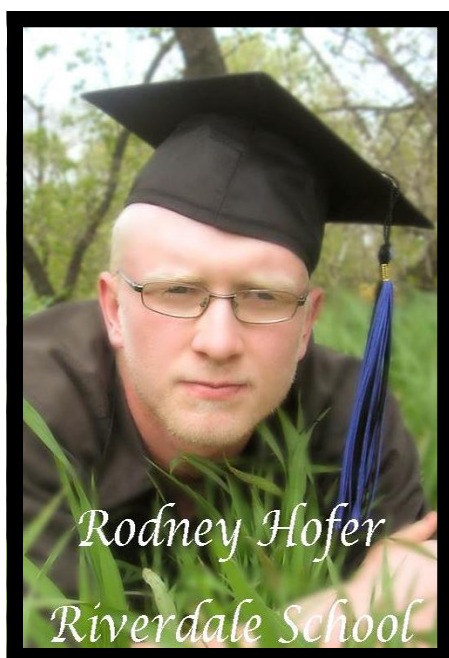
Heidi Waldner - Beaver Creek

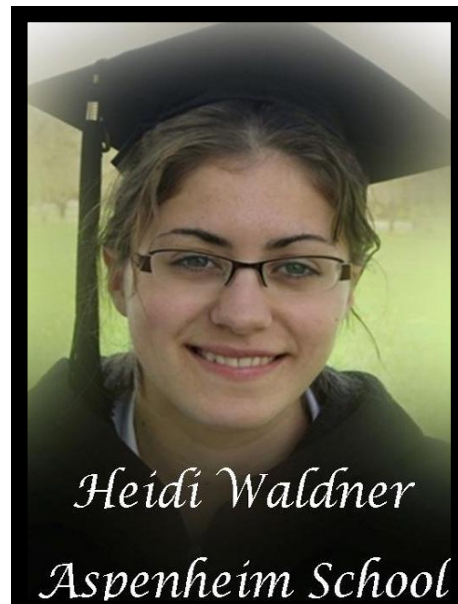
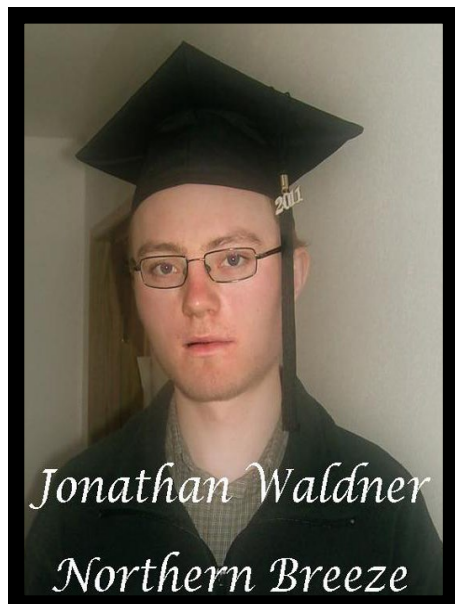


Jacob Hofer :

Governor Generals
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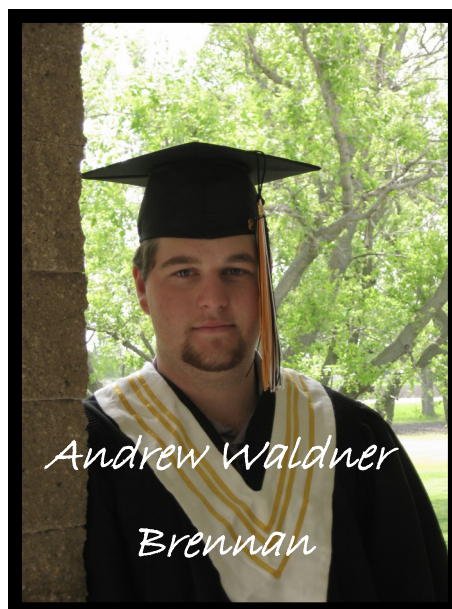
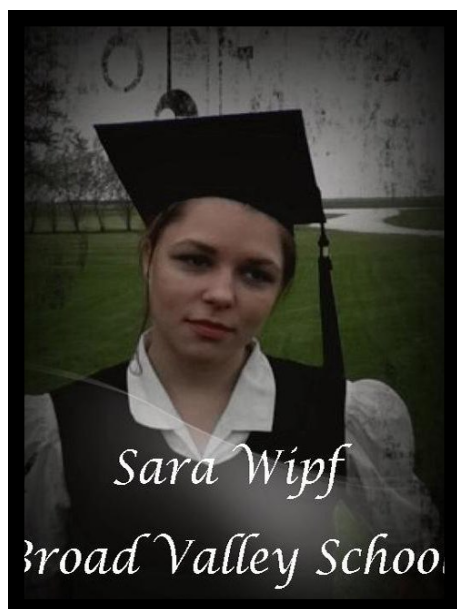




Stephanie Hofer :

Governor Generals
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Brennan School



Highest Averages by Grade

Grade 9

Stephanie Waldner	87.6%	Forest Home
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Grade 10

Georgina Hofer	89.4%	Marble Ridge
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Grade 11

Kayla Kleinsasser	91.2%	Beaver Creek
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