



Programs 2025

Scholarship Winners

Jyllian Payak - nominated by the Weyburn Agriculture Society

Jyllian Payak as an exceptionally dedicated, high-achieving, and well-rounded student who consistently demonstrates strong character, leadership, and work ethic. Her teachers and mentors highlight her academic excellence, noting that she maintains an average above 90% across all subjects, excelling particularly in math and science, where she shows strong analytical and problem-solving abilities.

Jyllian was deeply involved in her school community, participating in Student Representative Council, AP English, band, choir, Rise Choir, cross-country, and track and field. Her instructors emphasize that despite her busy schedule, she continues to excel academically and remains reliable, organized, and committed. She is described as someone who puts others first, contributes positively to every environment she enters, and leads by example.

Beyond school, Jyllian is highly active in 4-H, where she has taken on roles such as Secretary and Club President, consistently producing high-quality project work and supporting younger members. She also contributes extensively to her community and church, volunteering in music programs, fundraisers, Sunday School, community meals, and charitable initiatives. Her musical directors praise her as a talented vocalist, a disciplined performer, and an inspiring leader who brings kindness, dedication, and professionalism to every project.



Luke Gessel- nominated by the Vanscoy and District Agricultural Society

Luke Gessell is an 18-year-old student from Delisle who graduated high school with a 91% average and was selected as his class valedictorian. He has started his studies at the Edwards School of Business at the University of Saskatchewan in the fall of 2025, with long-term goals of pursuing a business-oriented career, potentially within his family farm operation.

Throughout high school, Luke was actively involved in a wide range of extracurricular activities that strengthened his leadership, teamwork, and personal development. He played football, competed in track and field, participated in the Student Leadership Council, joined the Travel Club, and took part in the Care Partner Program, building a meaningful mentorship connection with a younger student.

His interests extend beyond school as well, he enjoys hunting, fishing, sports such as hockey and golf, and has been dedicated to music for 13 years, playing both guitar and piano. Fitness is also a priority for him, and he maintains a rigorous workout schedule. Luke has also developed a strong work ethic through diverse employment experiences. As a summer student for the Town of Delisle, he contributed to maintenance and community projects, while his work as an operator at G3 Farms provided valuable hands-on agricultural and machinery experience. Additional roles at Low n Show BBQ and babysitting for local families helped him build customer service skills, responsibility, and strong communication abilities. In his community, Luke is known as a reliable and engaged volunteer. His contributions include helping run Fun Night, assisting with coaching a U13 boys' team, supporting the football team in moving bleachers for the Delisle Rodeo, selling 50/50 tickets at hockey games, and helping set up and take down Safety Day events. His consistent involvement demonstrates a commitment to leadership, service, and teamwork both within and beyond the school environment.



Mya Verville - nominated by the Creelman Agricultural Society

Mya Verville is described as an exceptional young leader whose strong character, reliability, and work ethic make her highly deserving of recognition. The Creelman Agricultural Society highlights her commitment, communication skills, and leadership abilities, noting that she serves as a positive example for her peers. They also emphasize her future plans to pursue Veterinary Technology at Saskatchewan Polytechnic, demonstrating her dedication to meaningful career goals.

Those who have worked with Mya in the community consistently praise her dependability and willingness to help wherever she is needed. She has volunteered extensively at the Creelman rink, annual dinner theatre, and Creelman Fair, contributing to food preparation, customer service, facility upkeep, and creating a welcoming atmosphere for community members. Her strong teamwork skills, adaptability, and positive attitude have left a lasting impact, and she is highly recommended for any opportunity she pursues.

At school, Mya is recognized as both an outstanding student and an influential leader. She has maintained Honor Roll standing for every eligible year and is regarded as a role model whose presence will be deeply missed. Her leadership experience includes serving on the Student Representative Council since grade 11, stepping into an executive role, organizing events, taking meeting minutes, and representing the school at the provincial Student Leadership Conference. Her initiative brought new ideas and energy to her school community. She also contributed significantly by coaching the junior basketball team, demonstrating maturity, adaptability, and a strong sense of responsibility.

Mya's volunteerism extends far beyond the school walls, with years of involvement in Creelman community activities such as the dinner theatre, fall suppers, rink operations, and the annual fair. Her teachers and community leaders consistently describe her as hardworking, compassionate, and dependable, a young adult with a bright future who will undoubtedly succeed in any path she chooses.

Jordanna Watrych- nominated by the Yorkton Agricultural & District Exhibition Association Ltd.

Jordanna Watrych is highly praised for her exceptional work ethic, professionalism, and commitment, which were evident from the moment she joined the Yorkton Exhibition in 2023 as a high-school volunteer. Even in her earliest roles, she demonstrated maturity and reliability beyond her years, quickly becoming a dependable member of the team.



Initially assisting in the office during preparations for the Grain Millers Harvest Showdown, Jordanna soon proved her strengths were best utilized on the event floor. She excelled in setup, operations, and ensuring smooth event execution, consistently showing punctuality, initiative, and a willingness to take on additional tasks. Her strong performance earned her a permanent staff position.

Throughout 2024, Jordanna took on increasing responsibilities across major events including the 4-H Spring Steer & Heifer Show, Spring Expo, Truck & Tractor Pulls, the Summer Fair, and the Harvest Showdown. Her full-time summer role showcased her versatility as she worked in show and sale setup, grounds maintenance, equipment operation and repair, and track upkeep. Her leadership abilities became even more evident when she successfully led the grounds crew for the Harvest Showdown, gaining respect from staff, directors, exhibitors, and promoters alike.



Jordanna embodies the values of the Yorkton Exhibition, particularly its mission to promote agriculture through educational and engaging events. She is thoughtful, vocal with ideas, and deeply passionate about the agriculture industry.