

Director's Bulletin

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Every Student, Every Day

D.A. Gordon Public School Wins an Excellence in Education Award

Sixty schools from across Ontario were recognized for ongoing academic improvement and achievement at the annual Awards for Excellence in Education. The Garfield Weston Award for Improvement in Academics recognizes elementary school teams that have experienced the fastest, most consistent improvement in their students' academic performance over the past five years. The Awards for Excellence are based on an analysis of student results data from the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) assessment. **The school team from D.A. Gordon Public School of Wallaceburg won the Garfield Weston Award for Improvement in Academics along with a \$3,000 prize.** The Awards for Excellence recognize school teams (teachers, principals, support staff, and volunteers) whose skill, dedication, and hard work have paid off in academic improvement or high performance. The Fraser Institute is an independent Canadian public policy research and educational organization with ties to a global network of 85 think-tanks. Its mission is to measure, study, and communicate the impact of competitive markets and government intervention on the welfare of individuals.

The Rick Hansen Many in Motion 25th Anniversary Tour

The Rick Hansen Many in Motion 25th Anniversary tour celebration passed through our district last week. Nine of our students, three of our staff members and parent/volunteers participated in their respective communities. During their segment, relay participants wore the special medal created by the Canadian Mint. Each participant was presented with a smaller souvenir medal.

Pictured at the right is Vice-Principal Ben Hazzard (RDHS) wearing the anniversary medal and students from Riverview Central School.



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