



## CWSF 2013 - Lethbridge, Alberta



## **Baneet Braich**

## **Asbestos in Swift Creek**

Challenge: Health Category: Junior

**Region:** Fraser Valley **City:** Abbotsford, BC

School: Abbotsford Middle School

**Abstract:** Swift Creek containing natural asbestos flows in to Abbotsford, B.C from

Sumas Mountain, U.S.A. This study was an attempt to determine whether or not Canadian residents living nearest to Swift Creek have suffered any asbestos related respiratory illnesses. 3/31 residents were found to have a dry cough problem which is not proved to be associated with asbestos

inhalation.

## **Biography**

My project is entitled Asbestos in Swift Creek. I got this topic idea from a local newspaper. Plans I have for further investigations would be to see if local agricultural land has been affected by the asbestos such as the soil. Science fair can be a journey of thought process and hard work yet I enjoy it because it allows me to be my very own scientist. Advice I would give to other students wanting to do a science fair project is to choose a field that you are interested in. If you choose to work with a partner, know that they are dedicated, hardworking, and someone you can manage your time with. Enjoy working on your project and manage your time well! I myself am a very involved student. I have clubs to attend every day of the week whether it's Glee Club Leadership clubs and more. I am the president of our school's leadership service club. I play sports such as basketball and volleyball, take vocal lessons and enjoy them. I try to keep myself busy while being balanced!

Awards	Value
Excellence Award - Junior - Silver Medal	\$300
Sponsor: Youth Science Canada	
Western University Scholarship	\$2 000
Silver Medallist - \$2000 Entrance Scholarship	
Sponsor: Western University	
Total	\$2 300



