



## CWSF 2018 - Ottawa, Ontario



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## A Helping Hand

Challenge: Innovation Category: Senior

**Region:** Saskatchewan Chinook **City:** Gull Lake, SK, Sceptre, SK

School: Hazlet School

Abstract: My partner and I built a myoelectric prosthetic hand. What this essentially

means is that when an amputee contracts the muscles remaining on their stump an electrical gradient is created on the skin. This gradient is picked up by the myoelectric sensor which sends a signal to the circuit board to

move the hand.

## **Biographies**

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