

# CWSF 2018 - Ottawa, Ontario



## Aaron Lee

### Bunny Business

**Challenge:** Discovery

**Category:** Intermediate

**Region:** Greater Vancouver

**City:** Vancouver, BC

**School:** Prince of Wales Secondary

**Abstract:** Bunny Business is a study and assessment on how human activity, specifically feeding, affects feral rabbit health. To do this, I compared two groups of rabbits at the Jericho Sailing Center and assessed their health using a survey that looked for signs of illness. This created a snapshot of the rabbit's well-being which allowed comparison. Studies occurred over 22 field trips through October to January.

### Biography

Whether he is out on trapeze and flying a spinnaker in the English Bay, or orienteering through the forests of the Coastal Mountains, hiking the trails of the Stawamus Chief, skiing on crisp snow on Cypress Mountains, or hustling to school on two wheels, you will often find Aaron Lee, a grade 9 student, outside where he can marvel at wonders of this world. He is fascinated not only by the diverse field of biology but many other fields such as particle physics, mathematics, earth sciences, astronomy, and philosophy. He enjoys discovering, questioning and expanding his understanding of this world. This year will be Aaron's first time attending the CWSF and he will be presenting Bunny Business. His interest in studying the rabbits began at the Jericho Sailing Centre in Vancouver, BC when he was 8. He often wondered how the rabbits have adapted to live with humans in an urban setting, and in the fall of 2017 his school, Prince of Wales Mini, provided an opportunity for Aaron to formally study this at Jericho. He hopes to study wildlife the summer and encourages others to not be afraid to ask questions because it's fun to find answers.

### Awards

### Value

Excellence Award - Intermediate - Bronze Medal Sponsor: Youth Science Canada	
Western University Scholarship Bronze Medallist - \$1000 Entrance Scholarship Sponsor: Western University	\$1 000
Total	\$1 000