



## ESPC 2019 - Fredericton (Nouveau-Brunswick)



## **Aiden Simard**

## **Adolescent Anxiety and Social Media**

Défi: DécouverteCatégorie: Sénior

Région: Western Manitoba Ville: Brandon, MB École: Neelin High

Sommaire: My study 'Adolescent Anxiety and Social Media' demonstrates the

detrimental effect social media has on adolescent stress and anxiety, through self-assessed cognitive scores, systolic blood pressure monitoring, and hormonal analysis. Since there has been a link identified, society can begin to be educated on the detrimental health risks associated with social media addiction, as well as begin to develop ways to combat this epidemic.

## Biographie

My name is Aiden Simard, and I am a grade 12 student in Brandon, Manitoba. When I'm not at school studying various mathematics and science related courses, I spend my free time as a competitive tap dancer and as a youth mentor. Tap is a large part of my life, so much so that I have traveled the world to places such as Germany and Vermont competing and developing my skills as a dancer. I also find leading the next generation to be very rewarding. Which is why I work and volunteer all over my community to provide underprivileged youth with a role model. In doing so, I enjoy volunteering at the local youth centre where I teach free dance lessons for children living in poverty. Beyond this, I also love researching important topics that are relevant in todays society; leading me to my current research topic on adolescent anxiety and social media. These are both concepts that everyone can relate to and I hope that my findings help contribute to the growing body of knowledge surrounding mental health. Continuing into post-secondary, I hope to continue researching mental illness, and help combat the growing epidemic that is adolescent mental health.

Prix	Valeur
Prix d'excellence - Senior - Médaille de bronze	
Commanditaire: Sciences jeunesse Canada	
Bourse d'admission de l'Université d'Ottawa	1 000,00 \$
Médaillé de bronze, sénior ? Bourse d'admission de 1 000 \$	
Commanditaire: Université d'Ottawa	
Bourse d'études de Western University	1 000,00 \$
Médaillé de bronze - Bourse d'admission de 1 000 \$	
Commanditaire: Université Western	
Total	2 000,00 \$





