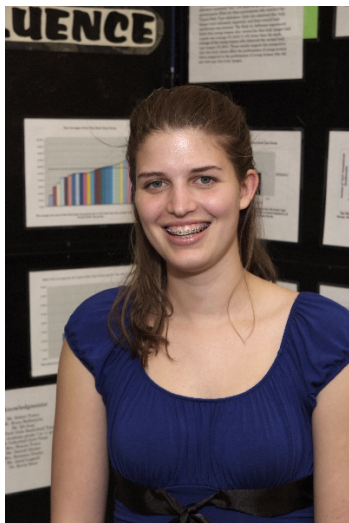


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Body By Influence

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Abstract: Body by Influence was a study that was used to discover if the mass media negatively affected the body image of girls and young women ages 12 to 18. Girls were found to have an 11% lower body image after viewing thin body images than girls who viewed normal body images. Observing thin body image images decreased the performance of young women.

Biography

I am on my school's student council, and every year I go on a week long "field trip" with kids from grade 8 to 11. This year I am going to a youth conference. I work with kids at summer camps with my drama group "Parables" and I sing in a band. I love to read and act; I also love to get into a good debate on occasion. I plan to get a Bachelor of Science degree and then I am considering becoming either a physiotherapist or an athletic trainer. Lately I assisted in the choreography of a dance for a PE unit. I love playing volleyball. I am in Grade 7 Royal Conservatory for piano, and I adore eclectic songs, even though it drives my family crazy sometimes. My favorite type of movies are cheesy romance movies. I also enjoy laughing. As they say, laughter is the best medicine. I have won the SWIST award, the Young Science innovator award, Best in Health Sciences award, and the Best in Exhibition for my project, Body by Influence.