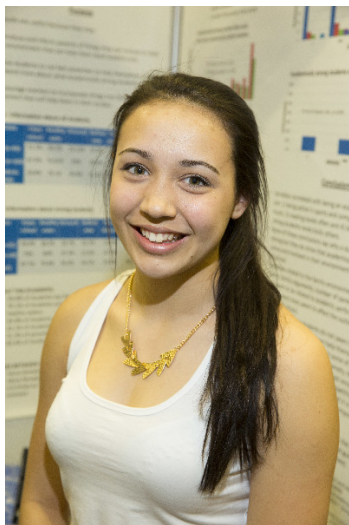


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Great Jeans or Great Genes

Challenge: Discovery

Category: Intermediate

Region: South Shore

City: Mahone Bay, NS

School: Bayview Community School

Abstract: This project examined different aspects of students lifestyles and academic performances by collecting 195 surveys. The surveys were anonymous and had questions such as academic grades, bullying, family environment, eating habits, music and sports. Relationships were found within these variables. Academically strong students interact with their environment by doing physical activity, reading books, being social and enjoying music which seems to affect students academically.

Biography

My name is Jessica Vaszily and I am 15 years old. I am Student Council President at my school and science is my favorite subject. I attended the Canada Wide Science Fair last year in Lethbridge, Alberta. The inspiration from this project came from my opinion and how I do not think that students are "born" smart. I wanted to prove that students can improve academically by incorporating certain activities into their lifestyle. I play soccer, volleyball, basketball and badminton, take voice lessons and participate in a choir and always look for ways to give back to my community. I am currently an assistant coach for the Special Olympics soccer team from Nova Scotia and coach kids from ages 3-12 at the local Sports Center. I am in the Lunenburg County Youth Advisory Committee which is a group committed to preventing bullying, sexual assault, drugs and other abuse. This group recently received the Governor Generals Award. To students thinking of doing a project; choose a common yet unique topic or question you enjoy and expand on it and discover! Try things you think wont even work, because you never know until you try!

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