

As a grade 12 Metis student at W.J. Mouat Secondary, I am an active and enthusiastic member of Thrive Leadership as well as the Indigenous community at my school. As I learn more about my heritage and culture, I feel a sense of pride and belonging as I find myself drawn to traditional ways such as drumming. I have had the honour of drumming for school assemblies and other events at W.J. Mouat. As a result, I was gifted a special drum in recognition of my commitment to the community. I enjoy giving back to my community and volunteering at the Aboriginal Friendship Centre with my grandma. Thrive Leadership not only gives me the opportunity to learn more about my culture, other Indigenous cultures, and traditions, but also to teach others what I have learned myself. After high school I plan to take a First Aid course and then move onto a Security course through the Justice Institute of BC and eventually secure my Security License. I was also an active member of the Land Acknowledgements. We can't change the direction of the wind, but we can adjust the sails. – Indigenous Proverb



