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INDIGENOUS ROLE MODEL

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I am a member of the Frog Clan from X̱a'isla (Haisla) First Nation, Gitksan, and Duck Bay. In 2019 I started my journey to connect to my Indigenous culture and nation. I discovered that my great, great-grandfather was Chief John Bolton of the Eagle clan. Sharing about my culture is very important to me; I am often the first to be asked to dance, drum, or speak at events or presentations in my school. I dream of completing my jingle dress and competing at the next Semá:th Pow Wow. I am very passionate about social issues and work to build awareness about systemic racism, the need for clean drinking water, Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, and Truth and Reconciliation. I have been an active member of both Student Voice and Indigenous Leadership. I work hard at school and have been chosen as the Integrated Studies Program Student of the Month and Grad Student of the Month. The Indigenous department has supported me emotionally and culturally and has given me a real sense of belonging. After graduation, I will attend university to obtain a Bachelor of Indigenous Studies and pursue a Law Degree. Ultimately, I plan to become an Indigenous Rights Lawyer.

Use your mind and your heart to make the world a better place!



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