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Beuk, Britton Named to Alberta Roster for Canada Summer Games



Congratulations to Ava Beuk and Rhylee Britton on being named to the Alberta Soccer roster for the 2025 Canada Summer Games.

Both student-athletes play for the Calgary Rangers soccer club.

The Canada Summer Games are a multi-sport event held every four years, featuring young athletes from provinces and territories across Canada. They are part of the larger Canada Games, which alternate between summer and winter editions. These games are considered a stepping stone for many athletes aspiring to compete at national or international levels, such as the Olympics or professional leagues.

We're proud of you both and can't wait to cheer you on this summer!

Baker, Paull Named to National Aboriginal Hockey Championship Rosters

Congratulations to Sam Baker and Callie Paull for being selected to represent their respective provinces at the 2025 National Aboriginal Hockey Championships!

Sam will hit the ice with Team Alberta, while Callie will suit up for Team Manitoba.

This annual event helps foster cultural unity and pride to celebrate the athletic abilities of Indigenous players, while also showcasing top Indigenous hockey talent from across the nation.

This year's event will be held May 5-10 in Kamloops, B.C.

Side note for Callie, she was also just invited to Hockey Manitoba's U18 Program of Excellence Top 68 Camp next month.







England, Geras Makes WHL Debuts



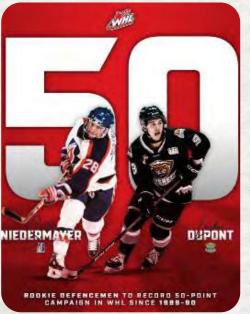
There were a couple of WHL debuts over the weekend of Jan. 12 as U18 Prep student-athletes, Brock England and Joaquin Geras, took to the ice for the Seattle Thunderbirds and Kamloops Blazers, respectively.

It was added excitement for Brock as he scored his 1st WHL goal and added an assist in his debut.



Congrats on achieving this milestone, fellas.

DuPont Becomes First Defender to Reach 50-Point Milestone in 35 Years



Edge second semester student-athlete and former Mountaineer hockey player, Landon DuPont, has made Western Hockey League history again.

It had been 35 years since a WHL defenceman has hit the 50-point mark in their rookie season, but Landon did just that on Sunday night.

His 50th point came as a secondary assist as he helped Dominik Rymon score midway through the second period in Everett Silvertips' 5-4 OT victory over the Kamloops Blazers.

With 12 goals and 38 assists in 47 games, Landon became the first defender to reach the 50-point milestone since Hockey Hall of Famer, Scott Niedermayer, had 69 points in 1989-90.

Landon is the first defender to be granted exceptional status to play full-time in the WHL as a 15-year-old. He is the second player to get this status in the league, after NHL Calder Trophy winner, Connor Bedard.

Among all other rookie CHL defencemen, Landon ranks first in scoring this season, and has been the WHL Rookie of the Month twice (October and December).

















Kondracki Dominating U10 Speed Skating Competition

Wynn Kondracki has been unstoppable on the speed skating track once again this year.

Back in mid-January, Wynn dominated the top U10 division (mixed genders) at the Alberta Long Track competition, winning every heat and race for a perfect 4000 points and gold. It was Wynn's third straight competition sweeping every race.



Victories for Grade 5 Skill Academy Spartans

Shoutout to our four Grade 5 hockey skill academy student-athletes who have won a few different tournaments this season with their Spartan HSL team:

Patrick Dutton, Aleksander Butchko, Sutton Ulmer and Douglas Deschamps won the the 2014 BC Challenge Cup in January, and the 2014 Alberta Challenge Cup back in October.

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Way to go, Wynn – keep up the hard work!

Zach Hawley to Join Basketball Program for 25/26 Season



Welcome to Zach Hawley (Class of 2027) who will be joining our prep basketball program for the 2025/26 season. <u>A highly sought-after prospect</u>, Zach is regarded as one of the top post-secondary guards in his class and continues his climb in North America's basketball prospect rankings. Zach will join a talented undergrad Edge National team this fall.

Congratulations!

Currently starring for Walter Murray Collegiate in Saskatchewan, the 6'0 point guard is putting up dominant numbers—averaging 33.4 points, 9 rebounds, 6.5 assists, and nearly four steals per game. He helped lead his team to multiple championship wins at the Bedford Road Invitational Tournament (BRIT), cities and provincials last year, and continues to elevate his game – focusing on becoming a well-rounded player.

Hawley gained valuable experience competing in the Nike Elite Youth Basketball League (EYBL) last summer, testing his skills against some of the top recruits in the U.S. The experience reinforced his confidence, proving he can compete at an elite level. With aspirations of earning an NCAA Division 1 scholarship and a long-term goal of playing professionally, he brings a driven mindset to Edge.

We look forward to having Zach here in the fall.



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Mental Performance Help a Huge Positive for Flames

We are very fortunate to have Dr. Matt Brown on our Edge School team. Brownie has worked in the psychology of performance and mental health since the mid-90's. With a Master's degree in Sport Psychology and a Doctorate in Counselling Psychology that specialized in athletes, he has a deep understanding of the thoughts, emotions, and behaviours of the athlete.

TSN recently spotlighted the work that Brownie is doing with the Calgary Flames, and how his support is making a major difference for the players on the Flames roster.

Calgary Flames centre Kevin Rooney admits it took him a while to get comfortable when he first joined the team in 2022.

Rooney, then 29, had worked his way through the New Jersey Devils' farm system as an undrafted signing to establish himself as a reliable, bottom-six, penalty-killing forward. After a stint with the New York Rangers, he signed the biggest contract of his career – two years, \$2.6 million – with the Flames in July of 2022. He was joining a veteran club in win-now mode, and making the most money he'd ever made in professional hockey.

Rooney put a lot of pressure on himself to live up to the new deal while trying to get comfortable in both a new city and locker room. A few weeks into his Flames' tenure, Rooney was struggling to adjust to his new team and losing confidence. He decided he needed help.

"It was coming to a new team, a team that was already pretty set from the year before, being a new guy and trying to find my way and fit in with also just being who I am," Rooney said.

He reached out to the Flames' mental performance specialist, Dr. Matt Brown. Dr. Brown has a PhD in counselling psychology and has been with the Flames since 2016. His work with Rooney centred on simplifying his thoughts and focusing on his strengths as a player.

"Those are the things I'm thinking about on the bench," Rooney said. "We always talk that hockey's a game of mistakes. You have to be able to flush a mistake quickly and I think that's really helped me."

In his role, Rooney tends to play between seven and 12 minutes a night, often in the defensive zone. He said Dr. Brown has helped him stay engaged during stretches where he's not seeing the ice.

"That's where I've really grown over the last couple of years, is not get frustrated [between shifts] and stay within the game itself," he said.

Dr. Brown is a fixture at Flames' practices and is often seen casually chatting with players. He gives presentations to the team about topics like visualization, emotional management, and re-setting strategies, and sometimes goes on the road with the club. He's also available for one-on-one sessions with players and staff.

Dr. Brown said that when a player is struggling, part of his feedback is to help them think positively and remember what got them to the NHL in the first place.

"The fastest way back to performing [well] is to remember what 'right' feels like," Dr. Brown said. "Even something like going back and watching your previous goals that you've scored and playing them back in your head. Not just seeing them but feeling them coming off your stick, waking those pathways back up can be the thing you need to get over the hump."

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Standing Up with Dare to Care

At Edge School, we are committed to fostering a culture of respect, inclusivity, and empowerment. This week, we are welcoming Dare to Care, an organization dedicated to addressing the lasting impact of bullying. Through engaging presentations and meaningful discussions, students are gaining valuable insights into recognizing, preventing, and standing up against bullying in all its forms.

The message is clear—every individual has the power to create a safer, more supportive environment. By embracing kindness, accountability, and courage, our students continue to build a school community where everyone feels valued and respected.



January High Five Award Winner



Our high-five award recognition has a monthly draw for all students who received a high five in that month. The winner of our fifth draw is Lauren Skulsky.

"Lauren has been AMAZING helping her peers in class. Since the beginning of the year she steps up to support others without being asked. She will use her own time to help others. I also appreciate how I can count on her to be a positive work partner with any student in class." – Ms. Fournier

Congratulations on being our January high-five draw winner, Lauren!

These were some other high five nominations that came forward in January, showing the great things our student-athletes are doing:

- "Ben has shown a great effort to improve and be more consistent with the assignments that he submits in Social and L.A over the last month or so, and this is reflected in the quality of his work."
- "Eli always brings positivity to the classroom, and consistently shows kindness and respect to the people around him."
- "Gio assisted with computer help to host Kahoot! for a substitute teacher just awesome human stuff!"
- "Andrew is trying hard to be a good human this year and control impulses, great start of the year."





















Mount Royal University Ross Glen Hall Thursday, June 5, 2025







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The Edge Legacy Dinner

Be part of the Edge Legacy Dinner and celebrate our student-athletes while enjoying an evening of great food, inspiring stories, and two exclusive panels.

The first group features Edge School's original founder, Mr. Brent Devost. Hear the story of how Edge School began – its challenges and pitfalls and the overwhelming obstacles it faced in those early years, while blazing uncharted territory as Alberta's first sports school. Joining Brent are Bruce Stuart, Dan Bertram and Grant Fagerheim, all early patrons who believed in Edge School and helped it become what it is today.

The second group features four members of the 1989 Calgary Flames Stanley Cup Championship team. Hear from Lanny McDonald, Colin Patterson, Joel Otto and Doug Gilmour as they relive that year, that team and beating the odds.

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Jomha Represents Canada, Becomes Cougars All-Time Leading Score



It's not everyday you get to wear the red and white for Team Canada. Shoutout to Edge alumna, Aliya Jomha (class of 2020), on earning a silver medal with Canada at the 2025 FISU World University Games in Turin, Italy.

With three goals and an assist in the tournament, her offensive spark was a key part of Canada's success throughout the tournament. Representing your country on the international stage is an honour few achieve, and Aliya seized the opportunity.

She also just set a Mount Royal University record, becoming the all-time points leader for the women's hockey program with 84 (33 G, 51 A). These accolades resulted in Aliya being named the <u>CSSHL female alumna player of the month</u>.

Congratulations on these achievements, Aliya – we wish you the best of luck as you finish off your university hockey career with the Cougars!



Eric Jamieson Commits to Denver University

Congratulations to class of 2023 grad, Eric Jamieson, who has committed to the University of Denver.

The 2024 Calgary Flames NHL draft pick is a key contributor on the WHL's Western Conference leading Everett Silvertips squad. Primarily known for his defensive prowess, Jaimo is on pace to post his best offensive season in the WHL. Last year, he had 32 points (10 G, 22 A) in 66 games. This season, he has 27 points (8 G, 19 A) in 50 games played. Eric also wears the 'C' for the Tips as a co-captain.

While playing at Edge for three seasons (U15 Prep, U16 Prep, U18 Prep), Eric compiled 56 points (12 G, 44 A) in 69 combined CSSHL games.

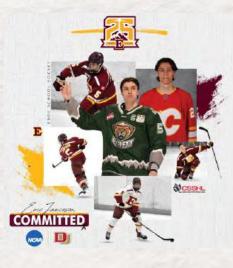
Best of luck with the Pios and in your academic pursuits, Jaimer.



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Eight Mountaineers Crack NHL Draft Mid-Season Rankings



Congratulations to our eight former Mountaineers that cracked the NHL Central Scouting's mid-season rankings (North American skaters) for the 2025 NHL Draft. All eight currently play in the Western Hockey League:

- Jackson Smith, Tri-City (9th)
- Nathan Behm, Kamloops (31st)
- Luke Vlooswyk, Red Deer (109th)
- Carter Klippenstein, Brandon (121st)
- Gavin Garland, Tri-City (122nd)
- Noah Degenstein, Moose Jaw (143rd)
- Aaron Obobaifo, Vancouver (150th)
- Cash Koch, Tri-City (160th)

Hanson Signs with Swift Current Broncos



Congratulations to class of 2024 grad, Otto Hanson, who signed with the Swift Current Broncos.

The 2024 Edge Valedictorian played on Edge teams from 2020-2022 (U15 Prep, U18 Prep) – recording 23 points (7 G, 16 A). Otto was a second semester student from 2022-2024 while he played with the Blackfalds Bulldogs (Jr. A).

Otto was originally selected him in the second round, 45th overall at the 2021 WHL Draft by the Broncos and has played in eight games with the team thus far. He is committed to Western Michigan University for the 2025-26 season.

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Best of luck with the Broncos, Otto!













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