

## **Isabella McLaughlin**

### **Butz Scholarship Recipient 2019**

Hard working and passionate about helping others, Isabella spends much of her time with her academic achievements and as a leader in initiatives that serve others. Her volunteer work includes Christmas toy and teddy bear drives, peer tutoring, and involvement in school and community stage productions. A member of the Mayor's Youth Advisory committee and an organizer of the St. Catharine's Youth forum, Isabella's busy schedule also includes volunteering at the YMCA and working in the YMCA child and youth programs.

Isabella is looking forward to attending Brock University in the fall for Women and Gender studies. Her goal is to eventually study Law.

## **Mallory McCallum**

### **Savoia Scholarship Recipient 2019**

Mallory McCallum has grit. At 18 she is heading toward her next level of education leaving behind an impressive list of academic, athletic and volunteer accomplishments. As a volunteer Mallory has donated her time to extra curricular activities at school, the Fort Erie Historical Museum, the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council, and the Port Colborne YMCA. Mallory is also a competitive swim coach and has worked over the last 14 years to help raise over \$1 million for the Great Strides Annual Walk for Cystic Fibrosis.

Mallory is quick to describe the YMCA as a major influence in her life so far. Starting in swimming as a baby, Mallory spent her childhood participating in a variety of YMCA activities and volunteering whenever she got the chance. Now as a swimming instructor at the Y, Mallory is gaining valuable experience to follow her passion next year at Trent University where she will study to become a teacher

## **Michael Tibollo**

### **Oprzedek Scholarship Recipient 2019**

Dedication and drive are certainly two of the qualities that have helped shape Michael's impressive accomplishments to date. Along with his strong desire to achieve academic excellence, Michael has given over 1000 hours of volunteer time as a leader on student council, as a resource for students in need through the SafeTalk program, an active member of the Brock University Youth Engagement committee, an advisor on the Fort Erie Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee and as a coach for minor Baseball. As well, Michael gave countless hours as a Leader in Training with YMCA day camp and YMCA swimming lessons.

Michael is active as a Lifeguard and swim instructor at the YMCA, serving currently as Aquatic Team Leader. He is an elite baseball player, and has been selected as part of the McMaster Varsity baseball team this fall as he starts his program in Life Sciences.

## **Isabella Daneyko**

### **McNiel Scholarship Recipient 2019**

How does an 18 year old realize they want to study Co op Biomedical Engineering at the University of Waterloo? Isabella credits this direction she has taken with her aptitude in math and science coupled with her passion to help others.

Her school guidance counsellor describes Isabella as passionate, creative, innovative and an excellent communicator and collaborator. In short, she is a natural leader. Her talents and accomplishments are impressive.

Children have benefited from Isabella's patience and leadership in the YMCA youth programs where she works part time. Having played a huge part in her life, Isabella and her family have been a part of the YMCA for as long as she can remember. She takes pride in donating part of her pay to the Strong Kids campaign to help children access swimming lessons and children's programs at the YMCA.

Isabella is a classical pianist and first chair oboe in the Niagara Youth Orchestra. At school, she played basketball, volleyball and badminton, served as student council Prime Minister, District School Board student trustee, student voice facilitator, Me to We club chair and the founder of her school's eco-club. Isabella also completed a research project in molecular chemistry through Brock University studying anti-cancer compounds for use in treatment of the disease. Last year, Isabella was awarded the SHAD Fellow designation at Ryerson University for her involvement in creating a plan to help Canadian communities become more resilient during natural disasters.

## **Kelsey Bowman**

### **Butz Scholarship Recipient 2019**

Kelsey is a passionate leader who made her mark at Sir Winston Churchill High School participating in student council, the Mosaic anti-bullying club, and the student mentor program. She was part of the cross country, basketball, volleyball, soccer, softball, and track and field teams as well as captain of the swim team.

Kelsey was co founder of the Healthy Living Outreach program and the school yoga Club. She led an initiative to start a successful compost program at her school resulting in the Green Team, a group of student volunteers who oversee the compost initiative.

An inspiring mentor to young people, Kelsey works part time at the YMCA as a lifeguard and swim instructor, as well as a leader for the Child and Youth programs.

A passion and love for the natural world has led Kelsey to study Environmental Science at the University of British Columbia.