



**My name is Ava Karlsson and I am one of Indigenous Valedictorians.**

Ava is honored to have been chosen as one of the Indigenous Valedictorians this year. With a strong academic focus during her time at Royal Bay, Ava achieved high marks while also acting as a very involved member of the music department as well as of the local Métis community. She would like to thank all of her teachers, mentors and knowledge keepers in the community for providing her with endless opportunities and support, and for entrusting her to represent the school. She is grateful to have been given the privilege to learn and honor her culture.



**My name is Alana Jay and I am one of Indigenous Valedictorians.**

Alana is grateful for the opportunity to represent her culture and community as one of this year's Indigenous valedictorians. Throughout her time at Royal Bay, she has achieved high academic marks while immersing herself in a new sport, through school and club rugby. Alana has been able to take her sport to the next level, playing for the Indigenous rugby team in Europe. She would like to thank her parents, coaches, and mentors for all the support they have provided over the years, leading to where she is now.