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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### GLOBAL YOUTH CHALLENGE 2025 – AN AMAZING EVENT !

*Principal George Vanderkuur*



Last week, I had the pleasure of serving as a judge for the 5th annual Global Youth Challenge (GYC) competition. This remarkable event brought together young people from around the globe to share their perspectives on “AI and Sustainability.” Three students from our school were among the sixteen finalists who delivered thoughtful and well-researched presentations, exploring how AI could benefit humanity by addressing pressing issues such as world hunger, climate change, and accessibility.

However, they also raised important concerns. For instance, they cautioned that creativity might be stifled if AI reduces all questions to a single “correct” answer. Additionally, the significant energy consumption of AI was highlighted as a pressing concern.

Despite these challenges, the excellence of the presentations left us with a profound sense of hope. Witnessing the passion and insight of these future leaders gives us confidence in their ability to lead the world toward a brighter and more sustainable future.

## 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

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Term 5

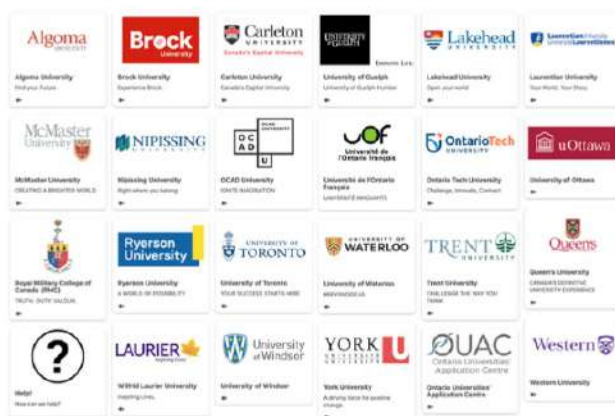
May 6, 2025 - June 26, 2025

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**May 29, 2025**

The latest date all applicants who submitted their application by the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario university. This includes an offer of admission, a refusal or a deferral, once additional information is received.



**June 2, 2025**

The earliest date an applicant may be required to respond to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit).

All other admission-related elements, including scholarships, other forms of student assistance or financial incentives, and offers of residence, are considered part of the offer of admission. Therefore, a student may accept these other offers before June 2, 2025, but Ontario universities will not compel a student in any way to make a decision before this date.





# THE GLOBAL YOUTH CHALLENGE - GYC 2025

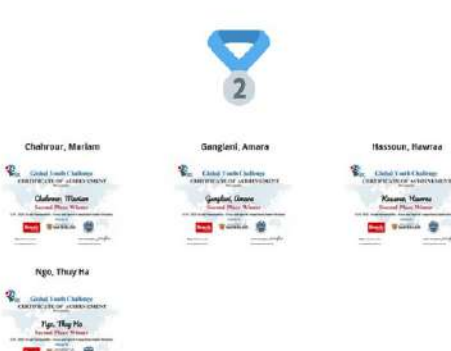


The Global Youth Challenge 2025, themed "AI and Sustainability," was successfully hosted at The Erindale Academy on March 21, 2025. This year, we had an incredible lineup of finalists from around the world, with 16 contestants in the Senior Division and 13 contestants in the Junior Division, representing a diverse range of ages and backgrounds. We are thrilled to announce our winners:

🏆 **Ella Min** (Senior Division) – delivered a spectacular speech alongside an outstanding essay.

🏆 **Mikal Sadek** (Junior Division) – impressed the judges with an exceptional presentation, earning the first prize in the Junior Division.

All participants showcased remarkable knowledge and preparation, making this year's competition a true success. Congratulations to all, and we look forward to seeing you at GYC 2026!





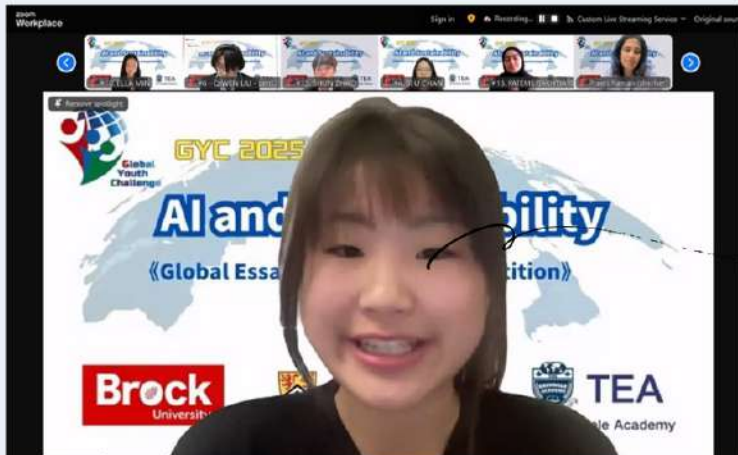
# THE GLOBAL YOUTH CHALLENGE - GYC 2025



## TEA student Cai, Jia Jia (Rose) ranked among top 16 globally in Speech competition !

Congratulations to Rose for standing out in the Global Youth Speech Competition on the theme “AI and Sustainability” and earning a place among the Top 16 finalists worldwide! Her insightful perspective on “AI and Sustainable Development in Education” impressed the judges and earned high praise.

As a student of The Erindale Academy, Rose’s outstanding performance reflects our school’s commitment to nurturing creative and critical thinking. Her achievement also highlights the immense potential of artificial intelligent in transforming the future of education.



### IMPORTANT DATES

- P1 Midterm Report:** April 2, 2025
- Drop Course Deadline:** April 4, 2025
- P2 Report card:** April 30, 2025
- Withdrawal Deadline:** May 1, 2025
- Final Exam:** May 2, 2025
- Final Report (PA Day):** May 5, 2025



### HOLIDAYS

- Good Friday (School Closed):** April 18, 2025
- Easter Monday:** February 21, 2025







**CONGRATULATIONS**



**University offers are flying in...**



**McMaster  
University**

Wang, Lanbo  
Engineering

Yin, Jiarong  
Arts

**University of Toronto**

Hsieh, Chang-Hung  
BBA Coop

Hsieh, Chang-Hsien  
BBA Coop

Yang, Xiaoze  
Social Science  
Arts and Media

**Queen's  
University**

Yang, Xiaoze  
Arts

**University of  
Sydney**

Shan, Yutong  
Economics

**University of  
British Columbia**

Chen, Kaiyang  
Engineering

Yin, Jiarong  
Arts

