

2026 Student Council By-Election Nominees

Indigenous Liaison

Bigcharles, Jad

My name is Jad j Bigcharles, I was born and raised in Dawson Creek and surrounding areas. I am Métis and have grown up around many different cultural and social groups within the Dawson Creek community. Through my experiences, I have learned how to communicate respectfully and with dignity across the many cultural backgrounds and understand the different language styles, and perspectives that help shape our community.

I am currently pursuing studies in social work, with a focus on supporting local youth by contributing to healthier, and more positive upbringings for young people in Dawson Creek and surrounding areas. My interest in social work comes from a desire to help create pathways that support Indigenous and non-Indigenous youth in finding belonging, dignity, identity, and direction.

Like some of the youth groups that supported my own foundations., I am deeply motivated to one day support youth in following the “Red Path” in life a path grounded in cultural connections, respect, responsibility, and positive choices. I believe early guidance, strong role models, and culturally safe spaces are key to helping youth thrive, and in turn creating a strong foundation that will help support the next seven generations.

As Indigenous Liaison, I would bring local knowledge, lived experience, and a strong commitment to listening and learning. I hope to advocate for Indigenous students, promote inclusion, and help strengthen connections between Indigenous students, student council, and the wider campus community. Thank you sincerely for your consideration.