

Charif Bahloul, from Sir Robert Borden High School, is the recipient of the prestigious D.A. Moodie Award, awarded to the student who attained the highest scholastic level across all secondary schools in OCDSB in the 2023 / 2024 school year. At Sir Robert Borden, Charif Bahloul earned the highest overall academic average in grades 9, 10, 11, 12 and was the recipient of the Governor General's Award. Charif was also a recipient of the Schulich Leadership Scholarship from UNB, a prestigious scholarship awarded to only 100 students each year, among many other scholarships.

From a young age, Charif Bahloul knew that if he wanted to see change in the world, he would have to BE that change. Thus, he committed himself to pursuing excellence in every academic endeavor. As stated in his valedictory speech, his objective function is to maximize the positive impact he has. If a certain action increases his positive impact, he will take it; otherwise, he will not. What a powerful yet simple ideology!

Looking ahead, Charif states: "Much like the past few decades have been marked by incredible advances at the intersection of technology and communication, the next few decades will feature breakthroughs at the intersection of technology and biology. As such, I plan to use my degree to be at the forefront of these advancements and have the greatest positive impact." He is currently pursuing a degree in Biomedical Science at the University of Ottawa.

Congratulations Charif! We wish you the best of luck!