

Comp claims Business School of the Year honours again

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Left-to-right: Mackenzie McIntyre, Karsyn Alexandre, Autumn Coates, Daisy Dyck, Ryley Sloman, Aidan Christianson, Carter Michaluk, Josh Allen, and Rylan Hildebrand (photos courtesy of Cindy Lowe)

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Even the COVID-19 pandemic couldn't stop the Swift Current Comprehensive High School from earning another big win at the Saskatchewan Business Teachers' Association (SBTA) Case Competition last week.

Nine students from the Comp. combined to lead the school to its third straight Business School of the Year title late last week, with the last two coming pre-pandemic ([2018](#) and [2019](#)).

Swift Current edged out Regina's Campbell Collegiate by 1 point, scoring first in the finance case, second in social presentation, and third in the entrepreneurship case.

Daisy Dyck, one of the members of the finance team, said mentorship from past Comp business team members helped them secure the victory.

"Knowing that I'm able to bring back the trophy that they won for the last two years beforehand is really a great feeling," she said. "It really feels like we're creating a legacy for the business club and the business education at Swift Current Comprehensive High School."

The 9th annual event held at Saskatoon's University of Saskatchewan drew seven schools from Alberta and Saskatchewan, a number that's dwindled since Swift Current won in 2019.

"This year's event was a bit of a smaller scale because we're just trying to restart after COVID," said Cindy Lowe, a business education teacher at Swift Current Comprehensive High School. "We won in 2018 and 2019 and at that time there were 30 teams in the event as far away as Vancouver and Toronto."



Dyck believes the key moment that propelled Swift Current to a three-peat was the group's rapport during the social presentation part. They were given 20 minutes to create a lip-sync performance that contributed to their social scoring.

"It was really fun," Dyck said. "I think that the whole experience really helped with personal confidence and just being able to perform in front of people, talk to people, and socialize with people you've never met before."

Mackenzie McIntyre, a grade 12 student at the Comp, was a part of the entrepreneurship case team and thinks the entire event will be a springboard for her and Dyck as they move on to business programs at university next year.

"This really just sets you apart from the other students and gives you so many more skills that others won't have," she said. "It will allow you to succeed not only in your classes next year but also in your life and future."