

## **Student from the “Big Land” wins second annual Virtual Science Fair**



Grace Tuglavina, a grade 11 student from Lake Melville School in North West River was a gold medal winner and “Best of Fair” at the 2021 NL Virtual Science Fair for the Labrador, Western and Central Newfoundland region on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Students from 6 different schools competed for medals, prizes and 6 spots on Science Team NL which will represent the province at the 2021 Virtual Canada Wide Science Fair this coming May. Other award winners included 4 grade 11 students from Holy Cross School in Eastport: Gold went to Hannah Babstock, while Miya Burden, Cassie Saunders, and Ethan Woodfine along with his project partner, Amy Gillard, a

grade 11 student at St. Stephen’s All Grade in Rencontre East each won a silver medal. Bronze medal winners included Lily Warren who is in grade 11 at Burgeo Academy as well as grade 7 students from J.R. Smallwood Elementary School in Wabush: Lylah Mercer and Haleigh Clarke. Also from the school in Wabush, grade 7 students Dylan Fagan and Andrew Dillon received an honourable mention. All participants are to be commended, as well as their supportive teachers, family and friends for completing a science project in such a challenging school year.

Monetary prizes were also awarded to the top 6 students: \$400 went to first place Grace Tuglavina, \$300 to second place Hannah Babstock and \$200 to third place Amy Gillard and Ethan Woodfine. As well, Miya Burden and Cassie Saunders will each receive \$50. These 6 students will compete at the national level as part of Science Team NL along with the 6 students that will be chosen at the upcoming Eastern Newfoundland Virtual Science Fair taking place on April 23 and 24. This is the first time in many years that Science Team NL will include students from outside of the Avalon Peninsula.

More information about these fairs including the top projects can be found at [enstf.ca](https://enstf.ca)