

RECAP: Pearson College UWC Student Secures Gold & Shines with Teammates at 2023 North American Indigenous Games

Nathaniel Stuit becomes the first student to win a gold medal at the games.

Metchosin, B.C., 21 July 2023 - In a remarkable display of athletic prowess, incoming second-year student Nathaniel Stuit from the community of Nahanni Butte, NT, as part of the Dené Deh Cho Nation, achieved unprecedented success at the [North American Indigenous Games](#). With unparalleled dedication and determination, Stuit secured a gold medal for Team BC in the [men's U-19 400m dash final](#) with a score of 51.89 on Wednesday.

Stuit showcased his endurance and versatility by securing a top 10 finish in the men's U19 800-meter run. Together with his teammates, he also secured a fourth-place finish in the men's U-19 4X400 relay out of eight competing provinces to close the final day of competitions in the Athletics category on Thursday.

This achievement is even more extraordinary because he is the first student at Pearson to qualify for and compete at the games. His success reflects his personal commitment but also the dedicated support he received from his school and community.

The entire Pearson community rallies behind this extraordinary student athlete, applauding his remarkable accomplishments at NAIG 2023. As the games close, we also extend our gratitude to the organizers and volunteers for providing this remarkable opportunity for Indigenous youth.

Members of the media wishing to speak to Nathaniel may do so by contacting the Media Relations Coordinator below.

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