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CAA South Central Ontario recognizes three school safety role models with provincial awards

As the school year comes to a close, CAA honours leaders of safety and education with provincial awards.



THORNHILL, June 27, 2019 - <u>CAA South Central Ontario</u> (CAA SCO) proudly awarded CAA Patroller and Patrol Supervisor of the Year to three school zone safety volunteers to recognize their commitment and achievements that have kept their communities safe.

CAA School Safety Patroller of the Year went to two brothers, Justin and Jonathan Zhou. Both are students at École Arbour Vista Public School in Guelph. CAA School Safety Patrol Supervisor of the Year went to Victoria Adderley, a teacher at Holy Cross School in Brantford.

"For years, the CAA School Safety Patrol® program (SSP) has been advocating for the safety of children on their way to and from school and in school zones," says Tracy Nickleford, community relations manager, CAA SCO. "Individuals like Justin, Jonathan, and Victoria who go above and beyond are the reason this program is so successful."

Justin, a grade seven student, and Jonathan, a grade five student, both began volunteering as CAA School Safety Patrollers this school year. The brothers are being recognized for going above and beyond their patrol duties while demonstrating a clear understanding and proper execution of safety concepts taught in patrol training.

"The boys are very humble. They never think twice about making sure that students are safe. They are punctual, positive, and true safety role models," says Christine Labelle vice principal at École Arbour Vista Public School.



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Victoria Adderley began volunteering as CAA School Safety Patrol supervisor four years ago. During this time, she has worked hard to create a seamless patrolling system. With her model, students have a rotating schedule to avoid conflicts and provide a sense of independence.

Victoria is being recognized for leading her students with safety as her top priority.

"When these students are outside on patrol every day, even on the coldest and dampest of days, it is readily apparent that their dedication to the program is in large part due to Victoria's dedication and the example she has set," says John McDermid principal at Holy Cross School.

The CAA School Safety Patrol program keeps young children safe by providing access to education on safe-street crossing practices and school bus safety.

Along with CAA, the police, school boards, teachers, busing consortia, parents, and approximately 20,000 dedicated student volunteers give their time to ensure road crossings and school buses remain safe for young Ontarians.

Approximately 800 schools in Ontario participate in the CAA School Safety Patrol program and CAA SCO partners with over 55 police services and busing consortia to deliver the program. For more information, visit www.caaschoolsafetypatrol.com.

About CAA South Central Ontario

As a leader and advocate for road safety and mobility, CAA South Central Ontario is a not-for-profit auto club which represents the interests of over 2 million members. For over a century, CAA has collaborated with communities, police services and governments to help keep drivers and their families safe while travelling on our roads.

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