

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK FROM AREA HIGH SCHOOLS

## Otter Valley Union High School

### Jazalynn Madrigal

Jazalynn Madrigal is Otter Valley Union High School's latest Student of the Week. She lives in Brandon with her parents and younger sister.

At school, she's received Excellence in Lit 12 and was named Varsity soccer captain and selected for the soccer senior classic.

Her favorite aspects of high school are being with friends and having the experience and opportunity to learn new things. Jazalynn's favorite subjects are math and English. She especially enjoys classes with math teacher Mr. Hughes because he makes the subject easy. "The vibe he brings to his classroom makes it a fun space to learn and grow," Jazalynn notes.

Jazalynn currently works at Brandon House of Pizza and Dunkin' Donuts. During the summer, she works at Ark Child Care.

Her advice to younger students is straight forward: "No struggle, no progress." She says that notion inspires her to push through the struggles, at school and in life, even when she doesn't want to. "Keep trying your best and never give up. The results will show."

After graduation, Jazalynn plans on attending the University of Southern Maine to study criminology.



Jazalynn Madrigal  
OVUHS

## Mount Abraham Union High School

### Will Gustin

Mt. Abraham Union High School is proud to recognize Will Gustin as its latest Student of the Week. Will lives in Monkton with his parents, Liz and Scott, as well as two rabbits, Lucy and Scarlett.

Will has received academic and transferable skill honors each semester since his sophomore year. As a junior, the English, Science and Social Studies departments recognized Will for Academic Excellence. His favorite classes include Chemistry, Metal Shop, and Ceramics. Will appreciates how school has allowed him to connect with and develop strong relationships with many people — both in class and through sports. He also enjoys learning about subjects that genuinely interest him and finds it very rewarding to work hard on something until he understands it; school has been a big source of that experience. Will's favorite teacher has been Mr. Foster, because of how thoroughly he teaches the material and how accommodating he is in the classroom.

Will is a member of the Mt. Abe rowing, basketball, and volleyball teams. He works at Dunkin' Donuts and, in the warmer months, mows lawns. In his spare time, Will plays guitar and piano and spends time with friends. He loves being outdoors and enjoys skateboarding, biking, fishing, hiking, and skiing.

Will shared that the most important lesson he has learned at Mt. Abe is the need for balance in life: "In my experience, if you spend all of your time doing schoolwork, you will not be happy. Getting good grades is certainly something to strive for, but if all you do is schoolwork, it will become harder and harder to do schoolwork. This has shown me that even though it might feel like I'm wasting time when doing other things like being social or having fun, it really is worth it because it greatly helps me do the things that I don't want to do as much, like schoolwork. Therefore, to the underclassmen, I would say, make sure you spend time with your friends and family every once in a while."

After graduation, Will plans to either attend college to major in Chemistry or Engineering or enter an electrician apprenticeship program. We wish him all the best in his future endeavors!



Will Gustin  
MAUSD

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