



# Brilynd Unser

Brilynd Unser is a grade eleven student at W.R. Myers High School. Brilynd is known for his sense of humour, his willingness to lend a hand to others, his quiet strength and resiliency.

Jason Jensen, President of the Taber Football Association and Head Football Coach of the W.R. Myers Rebels has known Brilynd for over a decade and he says, "In that time Brilynd has stepped up over and over (without anyone asking him) to volunteer in any capacity needed. This is particularly impressive, considering the fact that he doesn't play football. He just loves being around the games and more importantly, just loves to help out in any way possible." Brilynd shows a great amount of selflessness, consideration of others, and constantly shows quiet leadership making him an extraordinary role model for his peers. He has volunteered to cover concession shifts for football games, allowing parents the opportunity to watch their player during the game.

This past fall Brilynd faced a serious illness that led to an extended hospital stay at the Children's Hospital in Calgary. Despite the hardship, Brilynd



remained positive, although the road to recovery has been long. He has been diagnosed with a very rare autoimmune disease requiring vigilant attention to his medication. W.R. Myers High School Principal, Adam Hughes says of Brilynd, "He fought to stay connected with his schooling, kept his spirits up and never once gave in to self-pity. He modelled perseverance." Hughes continues, "He carried himself with grace, grit and humility. He didn't look for recognition or sympathy." Brilynd is back to school, is on track with his schoolwork, and is back to working at the South Country Co-op Food Store. He has proven to be the definition of resilient.

Congratulations, Brilynd Unser on your nomination.

