

## l Excel in Academics/ Athletics



Makayla Shepard, Grade 6 Mt Carmel School

Makayla Shepard has been playing basketball since she was in preschool. She has been cheering for the Mt. Carmel Vikings the past two years and also fitting dance into her schedule for the last three years. Makayla stays very busy with her extracurricular activities. However, this does not take up all of her time. If she is not busy practicing, you might find Makayla playing outside with her family and close friends. Riding bikes and creating new games are always fun pastimes for Makayla and her friends.

Even though Makayla has many hobbies and likes to have fun, academics are also very important to her. Makayla's favorite subject is language. She enjoys spelling new words and being creative with free-writing pieces. Mysteries are her favorite type of story to write. When she gets older, Makayla would like to become a dentist or dental hygienist. "I think it seems fun to work with people and help them. It would be a good job," Makayla stated. It is clear to see that with Makayla's determination and willingness to help others, she will continue to do many great things in the years ahead!