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Saskatchewan Olympians and Paralympians join forces with the Regina Police School Resources and Regina Schools

Saskatchewan Olympians and Paralympians who participated in the 2010 Vancouver Winter Games made a special visit yesterday to Grades 5 to 8 students at eight Regina elementary schools. The athletes joined together with officers from the Regina Police School Resources to visit the students and to share the positive messages of goal setting, overcoming obstacles, making healthy choices, and good self-esteem. During their visits, the athletes also answered questions and displayed their Olympic gear, including their medals. The visits aimed to inspire Saskatchewan youth to participate in sport and to reach for their dreams.

“It was a great privilege for me to be able to share my Olympic experience with the students at Kitchener Community School” said Olympian Meaghan Simister. “My message to the students was you can accomplish anything you put your mind to, so set goals for yourself and follow your dreams!” Simister says, “Being in Regina brings me back to my roots, I’m proud to say that I’m from Saskatchewan.”

The following Saskatchewan Olympians and Paralympians along with members of the Regina Police School Resources team visited the following Regina schools:

- Cori Bartel, Olympian Women’s Curling – Silver, visited W.S. Hawrylak Elementary School
- Colette Bourgonje, Cross Country Ski, Paralympian, 10km – Silver, 5km – Bronze, 3x2.5km relay –4th, 1km – 10th, visited Ruth M. Buck Elementary School
- Vaughn Chipeur, Olympian Figure Skating – 23rd, visited Elsie Mironuck Community School
- Ben Hebert, Olympian Men’s Curling – Gold, visited St. Augustine Community School
- Regan Lauscher, Olympian Luge – 15th, visited St. Peter Elementary School
- Lucas Makowsky, Olympian, Speed skating, Team Pursuit – Gold, 1500m – 19th, 5000m – 13th, visited St. Michael Community School
- Meaghan Simister, Olympian Luge – 25th, visited Kitchener Community School
- Colleen Sostorics, Olympian Women’s Hockey – Gold, visited Henry Janzen Elementary School

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