

## **GLENEAGLE SECONDARY**

School Team Name: Talons

Gleneagle's facilities include an open concept student commons area, large multi-use outdoor field, modern gym, equipment and weight room, an outdoor swimming pool and nearby Town Centre Aquatic Centre. Program specialties include a comprehensive Honours/Advanced Placement (AP) program, an award-winning student newspaper The Edge' and the district gifted program 'TALONS'.

In the past, this school was chosen as the 'Best All-Around School' by the B.C. School Sports Association. The school is noted district-wide for the excellence the students show in both the visual and performing arts, which provide all students with a wonderful chance to gain a well-rounded experience.



My name is Takemasa Oyama. I have been an international student at Gleneagle Secondary School. Many people did not know about my country other than anime and sushi. When some people started asking me about Japanese history and culture, I realized I had an opportunity to share my enthusiasm and knowledge of Japan, so I created the Japanese Culture Club. A group of interested students came together once a week to celebrate Japan and multiculturalism. The first thing we

did was create a sister school in Japan. If you are an international student, I believe you can bring your love and knowledge of your home country and then learn about Canada and become a global person. What I learned here most is how beautiful and strong multiculturalism can be.

Takemasa Oyama, Japan

