

Alumni Corner – Will Calder

Will Calder was a member of the afternoon EC7 class from 2007 through 2009. Upon graduation, Will entered The Peck School in the fall of 2009 and will be graduating in May 2018.

Will took his solid foundation provided at Westmont and continued to grow and develop. He participates in the athletic sports of soccer, basketball and baseball. He has even competed in a few biathlons and during the summer of 2017 he participated in the team competition, swimming leg, for the NJ Triathlon benefitting Kopila Valley. In addition to sports, Will also loves the Arts. He has been a member of the Peck chorus, ProMusica and Hand Bells group and just finished off his third Peck musical casted as Professor Harold Hill in the Music Man, Jr.

Will has a passion for baseball. While attending his first MLB game (during his Westmont years), he established a goal to see a baseball game at all 30 Major League Baseball Stadiums. As of the summer of 2017, he has been to 23 of the stadiums. In addition to playing and watching baseball, he takes his love for the sport and volunteers as a “Buddy” for the Franklin Lakes Dream Team organization which enables developmentally disabled individuals to play in baseball games throughout the summer. He loves helping the Dream Team players crush the ball, run (or get pushed in a wheelchair) around the bases and play the field. It’s a memorable experience for all parties involved.

Will enjoyed his days at Westmont, especially being in a Montessori environment where he had exposure to so many activities on any given day. Being exposed to, and given the opportunity to try, several activities provided a solid foundation for Will, one that he continues to build on today. This skillset has enabled Will to be involved in scholastics, athletics, arts, volunteering, etc. All opportunities are worth exploring – something he was taught early while attending Westmont.

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Karla Calder, proud mom

