Hi! I'm Leah Schwartz, a second-year medical student at the University of Manitoba. I’ve had the privilege of studying at inspiring institutions, including the University of Toronto, where I completed my Honours Bachelor of Science, and the University of Chicago’s Pritzker School of Molecular Engineering (PME), where I earned my Master of Science.

Advocacy and enhancing the student experience have always been central to my journey. Starting undergrad months before the COVID-19 pandemic profoundly shaped my time in Toronto. It led me to advocate alongside inner-city youth for health and health literacy through Youth Educating Parents (YEP), and to serve on U of T’s Cells and Systems Biology Student Union. I continued my leadership work at PME on the Graduate Student Council, and now in med school, I serve on the Class of 2027 Student Council and the Manitoba Medical Students' Association. This year, I’ve served as National Officer of Medical Education with the GAA portfolio, organizing the Medical Education Day of Action.

These experiences have shown me the importance of improving education, while reminding me there’s so much more to life than school and medicine. That’s why I advocate for health and education—to help colleagues and future patients live fuller, more balanced lives.

A proud Winnipegger and avid sports fan, I live for a good Jets Whiteout, and always root for my Chicago Bears. I’ve also traveled internationally for chess competitions and always welcome a match (though I’m a little rusty now)!

Happy to connect on social media!