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Darci Pedzinski

... PHYSICAL THERAPY DOCTOR
... CITY HONORS GRAD & ATHLETE
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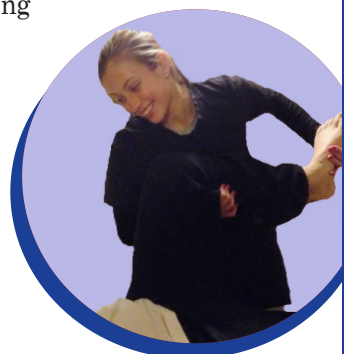
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It's not often people move from high school diploma to doctorate degree in only six years, but Darci Pedzinski, a 2011 Michigan City High School graduate, is making it happen.

FAST TRACK: Next month, Darci officially will become “Dr. Pedzinski” when she graduates from Grand Valley State University with her doctorate in physical therapy. She accelerated her progress by taking a full load of dual credit courses at MCHS, allowing her to enter college with sophomore standing. Darci graduated from Ball State with a bachelor’s degree in Exercise Science in 2014. “The dual credits I earned at City gave me a head start on achieving the dream I’ve had since ninth grade.”



BUDDING DREAM: Darci graduated with distinction from MCHS, where she was a member of the National Honor Society and Foreign Language Honor Society, and captain of the gymnastics team. “I had a few injuries in gymnastics, so physical therapy was something I benefited from personally and wanted to study. In college, I fell in love with PT. There are so many ways to help people through activity and movement.”

DOCTOR DARCI: Later this spring, Darci will begin working at ATI Physical Therapy in Columbus, Indiana. “I want to specialize and open my own clinical practice eventually, but for now, I’m just looking forward to building relationships with and helping my patients.”

SECRET TO SUCCESS: “You can do anything you put your mind to. Never quit until you’ve achieved it.”

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