



# Open House

Harold Panabaker School

Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Shelly Li, Principal

Megan Roach, Assistant Principal

learning | as unique | as every student



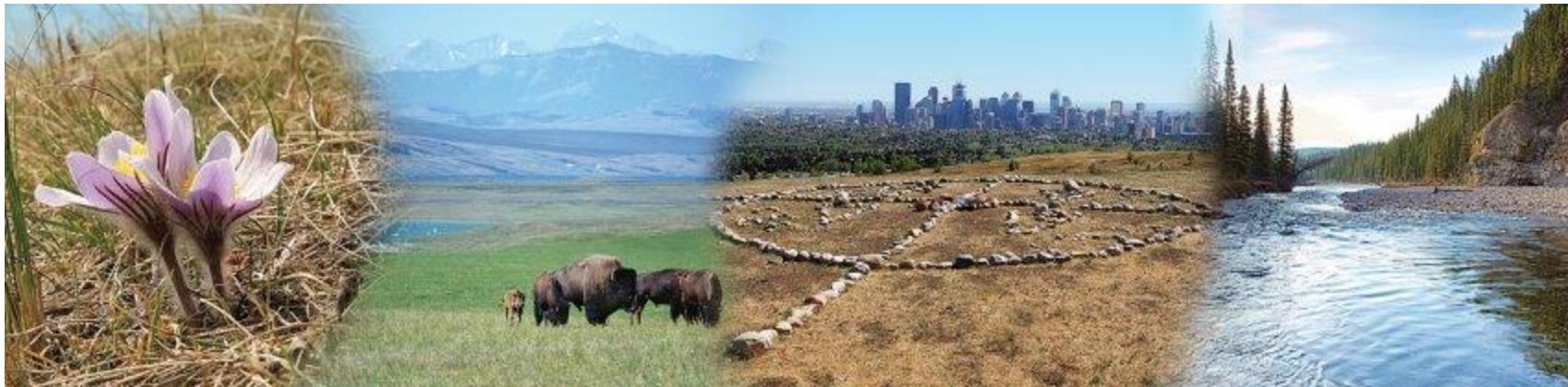
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# Agenda

- School Introduction
- Program Overview
- Q & A
- Self-Guided School Tour



# Acknowledgement of the Land



# About our School

## Teaching Programs

- Regular English Program (grades 7-9)
- Mandarin Bilingual Program (grades 5-9)
- Adapted Learning Program | ALP, system program (grades 7-9)
- Learning and Literacy | L&L, system program (grade 9 only in 2026-27)

## Staff and Students

- 410 students
- 23 teaching staff

## Feeder Schools

- Midnapore School
- Ethel M. Johnson School
- Ron Southern School
- Woodlands School

# Sample Student Schedule

Harold Panabaker Bell Schedule 2025-26					
Monday/Wednesday		Tuesday/Thursday		Friday	
Welcome Bell at 9:10am					
9:15 AM	Period 1	Period 1 (7)	9:15 AM	Period A	
10:03 AM	Math	Option B	10:11 AM		
10:06 AM	Period 2	Period 2 (6)	10:13 AM	Homeroom	
10:54 AM	ELA	Science	11:09 AM		
10:54 AM	BREAK	BREAK	11:09 AM	BREAK	
11:01 AM			11:17 AM		
11:01 AM	Period 3	Period 3 (5)	11:17 AM	Period C	
11:49 AM	Option A	Social Studies	12:12 AM		
11:51 AM	Period 4	Period 4	12:14 AM	Period D	
12:39 PM	Phys Ed.	Phys. Ed.	1:10 PM		
12:39 PM	Lunch	Lunch	1:10 PM	Dismissal	
1:19 PM					
1:16 PM	Warning Bell		Warning Bell		
1:18 PM	Period 5	Period 5 (3)			
2:08 PM	Social Studies	Option A			
2:10 PM	Period 6	Period 6 (2)			
2:59 PM	Science	ELA			
3:01 PM	Period 7	Period 7 (1)			
3:50 PM	Option B	Math			
3:50 PM	Dismissal	Dismissal			

## Highlights:

- 2 options/day (4 options/year)
- Daily Phys. Ed.
- Morning Nutrition Break 10:54-11:01am
- Fridays are a rotating schedule and include a homeroom period



# What's new and exciting in Jr High?



- Individual lockers
- Options classes
- Athletic Teams
- Locker rooms
- Variety of teachers
- Many different classrooms
- Lunch
- Field Trips

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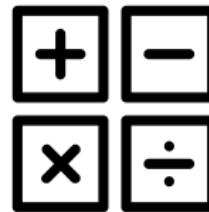


# Lunch Clubs and Intramurals

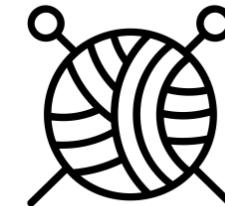
vary yearly depending on student interest and teacher availability



**Dungeons & Dragons Club**



**Math Club**



**Knitting Club**



**Run Club**



**Intramurals**



**Board Game & Chess Club**



**Art Club**



**Book Club**



**Student Wellness**

# Student Transportation

- CBE provides school bus service for eligible students
- Families must register each year through MyCBE
- Routes and stops are set by CBE Transportation, not the school
- Bus routes and stops may change annually
- Registration is required to be included in route planning



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# Parent Council

- New parents are always welcome!
- School Council is a great way to get connected and have a voice
- Help support events, fundraising, and learning opportunities
- Questions?  
[hpschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:hpschoolcouncil@gmail.com)
- We'd love to see you next year!



# Communication



Google Classroom



A screenshot of the Harold Panabaker School website. The header features the school's name and a phone number. Below the header, there are several sections: a photo of the school building, a "Harold Panabaker Open House" event announcement, a "2026-2027 Instructional Calendar Available" announcement, and a "Winter Break Message". The footer contains various links and social media icons.



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# Panther Athletics

- **Cross Country Running** (grades 6-9)
- **Volleyball** | Junior and Senior Teams (grades 6-9)
- **Basketball** | Junior and Senior Teams (grades 6-9)
- **Badminton** | Junior and Senior Teams (grades 6-9)
- **Track & Field** (grades 6-9)



Tryouts require a completed authorization form—check in September.

# Options

offerings vary year-to-year depending on student interest and teacher scheduling

## Career & Technology Foundations | CTF

Based on the idea that students will look at different career paths and discover what it takes to be part of this career.

- Leadership
- Foods and Fashion
- Design Studies
- Computer Science
- Construction

## Fine and Performing Arts

Based on the creative processes students use to express themselves.

- Art
- Instrumental Music Program (Band)
- Drama

# Leadership

offerings vary year-to-year depending on student interest and teacher scheduling



- Plan and run school events and activities
- Build leadership, teamwork, public speaking and communication skills
- Learn about and celebrate different cultures
- Create a positive, welcoming school environment



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# Foods and Fashion

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## Foods

- hands-on space to develop both workplace and culinary skills.
- students master essential cooking techniques, learn key culinary terminology, and explore creative recipe experimentation.
- practice kitchen safety—preparing them for both everyday cooking and future food-related opportunities.

## Fashion

- More than just learning to sew!
- Needlework embroidery
- Knitting
- Crochet
- Latch hooking
- Sewing machine basics



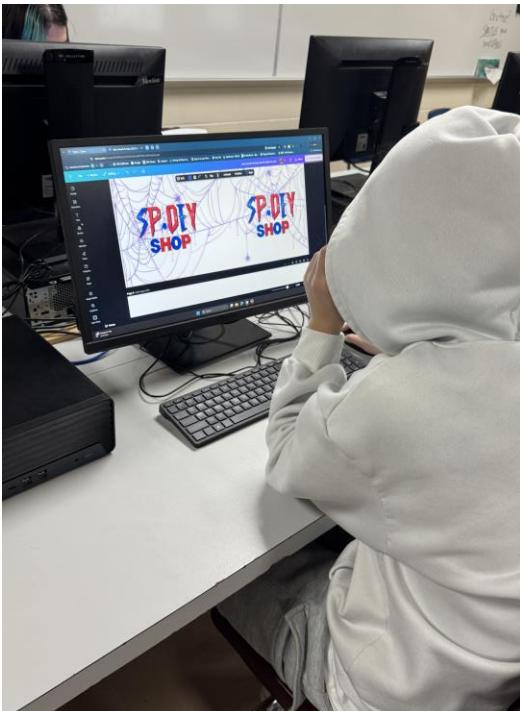
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# Design Studies

focuses on different design elements and tools depending on the grade level.



- Design Studies use a variety of software and real-world tools to support the design process, including creating, testing, evaluating, and refining products and solutions.
- Using 2D and 3D modelling, students analyze the challenges and design effective solutions and products.
- Students then create their own projects using 3D printers, Cricut machines, and other design tools.
- Check out our project showcase next to room 13!

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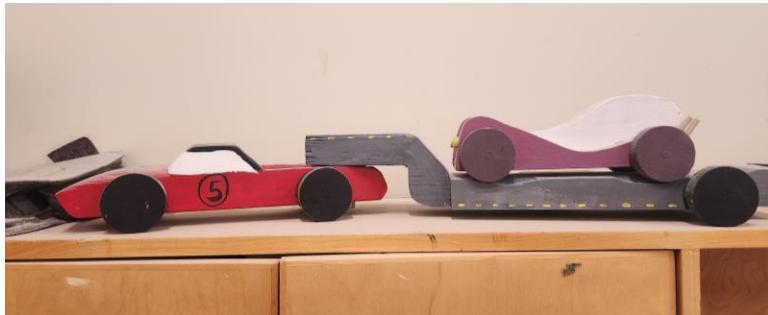
# Computer Science

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- Studies a number of different fields including programming languages (coding), problem-solving, robotics, and even making games.
- Exposure to programming languages for students: HTML, Java and Python.
- Boost skills and increase interest in the field.
- Strengthens problem-solving, critical thinking, and even creativity, while creating something cool and technological from a simple idea.
- New lab (2025) purchased by Parent Council

# Construction

offerings vary year-to-year depending on student interest and teacher scheduling



- Students advance through a carefully designed sequence of projects, increasing in complexity as they gain experience in the construction program.
- Their work evolves from simple display creations to high-quality furniture and practical household items.

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# Instrumental Music Program

offerings vary year-to-year depending on student interest and teacher scheduling



- Open to all students – no previous music experience required
- Develops confidence, teamwork, and leadership through ensemble learning
- Builds focus, discipline, and perseverance through regular practice and goal-setting
- Students learn to read music, play an instrument, and perform together
- Multiple performance opportunities throughout the year (concerts, festivals, school events)
- Opportunity to attend school trips (band camps and performance tours)
- Fosters a strong sense of community and belonging

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# Drama

offerings vary year-to-year depending on student interest and teacher scheduling

- Build confidence, teamwork, and creativity while having fun on stage and behind the scenes. Express yourself, solve problems, and bring stories to life!
- Technical Theatre: Lighting, sound, and set design
- Performance Skills: Scene work, improvisation, and one-act plays
- Creative Storytelling: Script writing and radio plays



# Art

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In art class, students get to explore both 2D and 3D art discovering the joy of creating in many different forms.

Additionally, they experiment with a wide variety of materials, including:

- Watercolour and acrylic paints
- Pastels and charcoal
- Clay sculpture
- Printmaking techniques

Check out some beautiful student work in room 18 as well as on the bulletin boards in the art hallway



## Questions?

Principal Shelly Li and Assistant Principal Megan Roach will be available after the presentation and throughout the evening.

Please find them in the lobby during the evening.

Questions can also be emailed:

**Principal | Shelly Li**  
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**Assistant Principal | Megan Roach**  
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## What's next?

Make your way throughout the school (maps are available).

In each learning area, **locate the panther!** How many can you find?



Make sure to **visit the Tuck shop** to answer a skill testing question and get a treat: What is Harold Panabaker's motto?