



Caledonia Secondary School  
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## Week of December 9 - December 13

### 2024 -2025 Caledonia Bell Schedule and Block Rotation

TIME		DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4
8:45 – 10:06	81 min.	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
10:06 – 10:12		Break	Break	Break	Break
10:12 – 10:16		Transition	Transition	Transition	Transition
10:16 – 11:36	80 min.	Block 2	Block 1	Block 4	Block 3
11:36 – 12:16		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:16- 12:21		Transition	Transition	Transition	Transition
12:21 – 1:41	80 min.	Block 3	Block 4	Block 1	Block 2
1:41 – 1:47		Break	Break	Break	Break
1:47 – 1:51		Transition	Transition	Transition	Transition
1:51 – 3:11	80 min.	Block 4	Block 3	Block 2	Block 1

#### This Week

Monday - Day 3  
 Tuesday- Day 4  
 Wednesday- Day 1  
 Thursday - Day 2  
 Friday - Day 3

#### Important Upcoming Dates

December 12 - Dry Grad Meeting @ 6:00

December 23 - January 3 - Winter Break

### Attendance

Our School Messenger call-out system for unexcused absences is currently not working. If you have any concerns regarding your teen's attendance, please contact their teachers or counsellor.

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS.**  
 ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

### Grad Forms & Fees

Please have all forms and fees for grad into the office as soon as possible. If you need the forms, they are available in the office or please contact [cheryl.skender@cmsd.bc.ca](mailto:cheryl.skender@cmsd.bc.ca) to have one e-mailed to you.

**Reminder**



## Spirit Week



## School Photos

If your teen's school photos have not arrived at the school for pick up, please contact Mountain West Studios. Contact information is as follows.

Phone: 1.888.644.4494

Email: [help@mountainwest.ca](mailto:help@mountainwest.ca)



## Student Drop-off & Pick-up

When dropping students off to school, or picking them up, please **do not** use the staff parking lot. Please use the parking lot by the **REM Lee Theatre**. Thank you for your cooperation with this safety issue.



## Musical Theatre

Tickets for the musical Legally Blonde are available at Misty River Books. The performance is December 12, 13, and 14; tickets are \$20 each.

A poster for the musical "Legally Blonde". The title "LEGALLY BLONDE" is written in large, white, serif capital letters. A small, brown chihuahua dog is sitting in front of the word "BLONDE". Below the title, the words "The Musical" are written in a white, cursive script font. The background is a solid magenta color.

LEGALLY  
BLONDE  
*The Musical*

## Grad Baby Photos

GRADUATES OF 2024-2025

It's that time of year! Please submit your baby pictures for the yearbook to the office labeled "Grad Baby Photos" folder in an envelope with your first and last name attached OR send it to the QR code below.

Photos will be accepted until January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Your pictures will be returned unscathed.



## DRY GRAD MEETING

There will be a short Dry Grad Meeting on Thursday December 12 @ 6:00pm in the Caledonia Library. We look forward to seeing you there.

  
**CLASS OF  
2025**

## Library News

Our school community has enjoyed participating in some fun literacy and festive activities this week for entries into our Winter Library Contest! Our lovely Elf has been happily exploring our Library and students have been really enjoying finding her! One more week to get entries before we start drawing for some great prizes the following week! Grand prize will be drawn on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup>!

### **There is an Elf on our Shelves!**

**Library Contest for December—there is a lovely elf hiding on our shelves! Once she is found students can take a picture with her and tag @where\_shhh\_happens once per day! Teachers and student prizes up for grabs! We also have many other ways to enter our Winter Contests happening this month!**



## Purdys

The Purdy's Add On campaign is closed. Orders should arrive Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>!  
Thank you for your support.





# CAREER CORNER

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## DUAL CREDIT

Students can receive credits towards their high school diploma and at least one level of technical training by attending trades training classes at local high schools, post-secondary



## WORK EXPERIENCE

Do you have a part-time job?

If so, you may be able to take WEX 12A and WEX 12B and gain 8 credits towards graduation. Students must visit their Careers Office and register for the courses.

TAMMY BRAID/CAREER COUNSELLOR  
CMSD 82

[TAMMY.BRAID@CMSD.BC.CA](mailto:TAMMY.BRAID@CMSD.BC.CA)

KIM HOEKSTRA/ CAREER  
COUNSELLOR CMSD 82

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- <https://www.workbc.ca/plan-career/career-trek-videos>
- <https://skilledtradesbc.ca/>
- <https://www.workbc.ca/>
- <https://www.workbc.ca/search-and-prepare-job/job-application-tips>
- <https://ca.indeed.com/?from=gnav-jobsearch-indeedmobile>

## BOLD EAGLE INDIGENOUS SUMMER PROGRAM

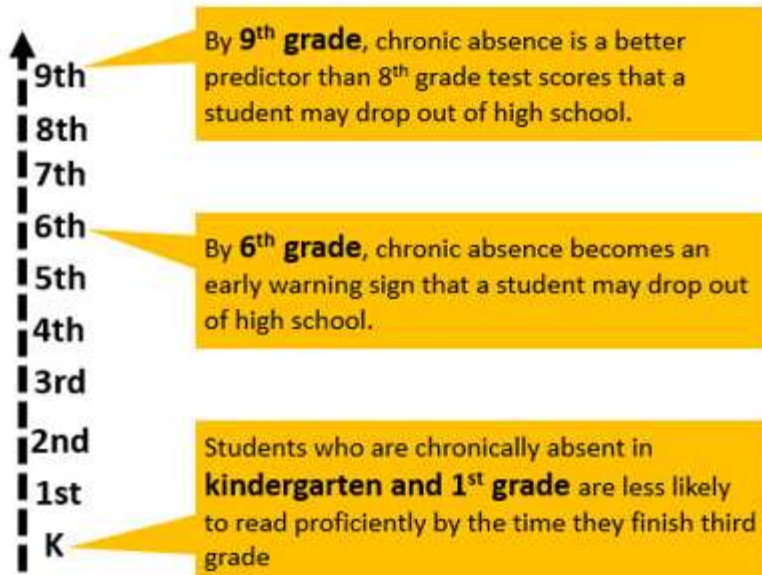
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## Attendance Statistics

Considerable research supports the link between chronic absence and school outcomes. Those children who miss a large portion of the school year are less likely to meet many of the milestones used to determine school success.

Chronic absence is a measure of students who have **missed 10% or more** of the days in which they were enrolled in the school year.



Course performance in the ninth grade was the strongest predictor of student graduation and chronic absence was the **strongest predictor** of course performance.

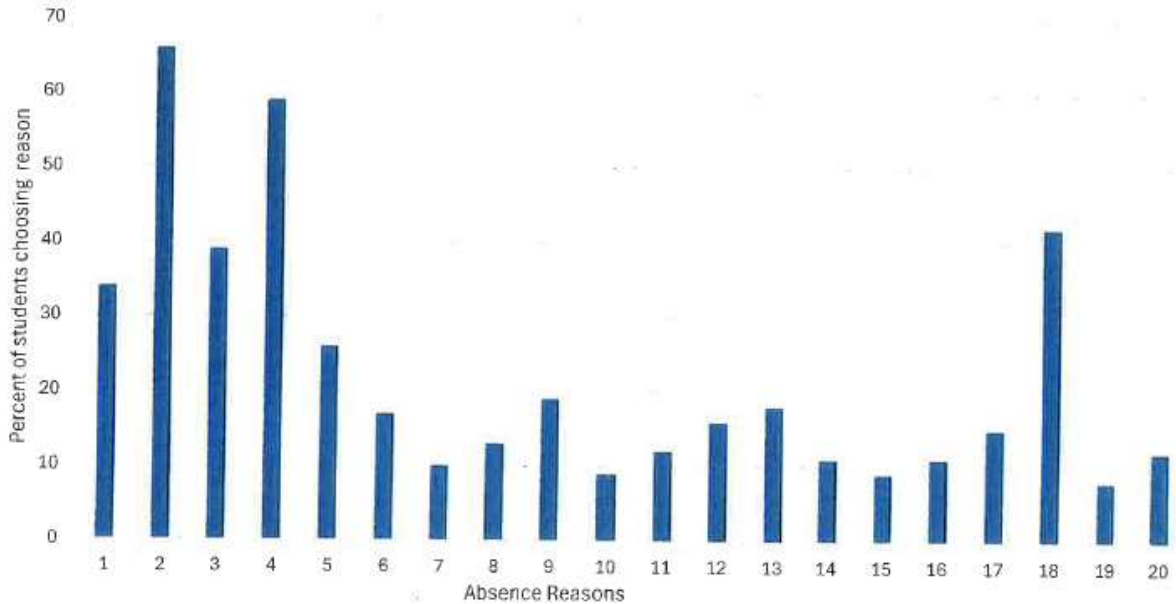
Among students who graduate, those who missed ten or more school days during tenth grade had a **25 percentage point difference in their post-secondary enrollment rates.**

Source: [www.everystudentpresent.org](http://www.everystudentpresent.org)

The results of our student attendance survey indicate that we have a significant number of students with chronic absenteeism. Almost 30% of our students reported that they have already missed at least 10 days of school this year. We are working at the school level on strategies to promote good attendance and removal of barriers to learning for all learners. With your support, we hope we can see an improvement in overall student attendance rates.

## Student Absence Survey Results

Caledonia Student Absence Reasons



<b>1</b>	I was seriously ill and had to go to the doctor
<b>2</b>	I had a cold, or other minor illness
<b>3</b>	I was tired and wanted to sleep in
<b>4</b>	I had a doctor or dentist appointment
<b>5</b>	I felt anxious or depressed
<b>6</b>	I missed the bus or had no way to get to school
<b>7</b>	The weather was too bad for me to walk to school
<b>8</b>	I had to take care of a sibling
<b>9</b>	I didn't think it would matter if I was at school so I stayed home
<b>10</b>	I didn't think anyone at school would care if I attended or not
<b>11</b>	I wasn't ready for a test
<b>12</b>	I didn't do my homework
<b>13</b>	School is too boring
<b>14</b>	I was being teased or picked on and wanted a break
<b>15</b>	I was afraid to come to school
<b>16</b>	I was having trouble getting along with a teacher or adult
<b>17</b>	I was hanging out with my friends
<b>18</b>	I went somewhere out of the community with my family
<b>19</b>	I was using technology at home and didn't want to stop
<b>20</b>	I was participating in a cultural/traditional activity

### Sr. Boys Basketball

Good luck to our Sr. Boys Basketball team this weekend in Vanderhoof!



### Sr. Girls Basketball

Our Sr. Girls Basketball team is travelling to Prince Rupert this weekend for a playday. Good luck!



### Caledonia Yearbooks

Get your yearbook now for just \$45.00. Scan the QR Code below to pre-purchase your 2024/2025 yearbook.



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**SCHOOL  
YEARBOOKS**

### Scholarship Update

Grade 12 students who are considering applying for scholarships are reminded to check the Caledonia Scholarship Team on a regular basis.

Many post-secondary institutions have been posting entrance scholarship information. The Caledonia Scholarship Committee has been posting any information they receive on Teams. However, students should check the websites of any school they are interested in attending as deadlines and criteria vary school to school.

For any student interested in being Caledonia's nominee for the following scholarships: BC Excellence, Cmolik, and Schulich Leadership, applications are due to the office by Friday December 13 at 3:30pm. No lates will be accepted. Websites, criteria, and application process details have been posted on Teams. Ms. MacLeod will be hosting a help session after school Wednesday December 11<sup>th</sup> in room 05 for any student who needs help or has questions about the external scholarship process.