

• June 27: Organizational Day

Dear Lakers and Laker Families,

Today marks our final instructional day of the 2024–2025 school year. It's hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by.

At 2:45 p.m. today, the graduating class of 2025 will gather in the Common Area to mark the end of their high school journey with the traditional countdown to the final bell and the opening of their time capsules. This is a cherished and emotional tradition at HJ Cody. A special thank you to Ms. Wilson for the time and organization she has put into the time capsule.

As we wrap up the year, please take a moment to review the following important reminders and upcoming events:

### **Textbook, Novel & Chromebook Returns**

Students are reminded to return textbooks, novels, and chromebook rentals to the Learning Commons. Items not returned will be charged to student accounts as fees.

## **Final Exams & Tutorials**

The Final Assessment Schedule and Tutorial Schedule are now available on our website: <u>Final Assessment & Tutorial Schedules</u> Daytime tutorials (Monday–Friday) are mandatory. Evening and weekend tutorials are strongly recommended. There is a strong correlation between tutorial attendance and improved performance on final exams. We encourage students to take full advantage of these learning opportunities.

### **Exam Accommodations**

If your child receives audio accommodations, please ensure they bring wired headphones to their exam.

### **Study Support with Solaro**

Students have free access to Solaro, an excellent online study tool for core subjects: <u>Log in to Solaro</u>. Students should use their CESD email to log in.

#### **Summer School Registration**

Summer School: Course offerings and registration details are available here: <u>CESD Summer School</u> <u>Information</u>. The registration deadline is July 2nd.

#### Fall Picture Days

Mark your calendars for fall picture days. Students will have their picture taken, receive their schedule, locke<mark>r,</mark> new passwords, and be able to walk around the school to locate their classrooms with their peers.

- Gr. 9: Monday, August 25th, 8:30-12:00
- Gr. 10: Monday, August 25th, 1:00-3:45
- Gr. 11: Tuesday, August 26th, 8:30-11:00
- Gr. 12: Tuesday, August 26th, 1:00-3:45
- Students who are new to Sylvan Lake: Tuesday August 26th, 11:00-12:00

# New Bell Schedule for 2025–2026

Looking into next year, we met as a staff to discuss the needs of our students. As such, we have made a change to our bell schedule for 2025-2026. From September 2–5, a modified bell schedule will be in place as students settle into the new school year.

Starting **September 8th**, we will implement a new Monday–Friday Bell Schedule. This consistent schedule is intended to reduce confusion around varying bell times. Each day will begin with **Laker Time,** a 25-minute block designed to provide additional support. During Laker Time, students may:

- Receive targeted academic assistance
- Complete homework

٠	Participate in wellness activities, such as visiting the fitness centre, gym, or art or music rooms.
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Monday-Friday	Duration	Begin	End
Laker Time	25 minutes	8:35	9:00
Block 1 (Homeroom)	86 minutes	9:05	10:31
Block 2	76 minutes	10:37	11:53
Lunch	40 minutes	11:53	12:33
Block 3	76 minutes	12:38	1:54
Block 4	76 minutes	2:00	3:16

Note: From September 2–5, a modified bell schedule will be in place as students settle into the school year.

Monday-Friday	Duration	Begin	End
Block 1 (Homeroom)	92 minutes	8:35	10:07
Block 2	84 minutes	10:13	11:37
Lunch	40 minutes	11:37	12:17
Block 3	84 minutes	12:22	1:46
Block 4	84 minutes	1:52	3:16

Thank you for your continued support of your child's education and our school community. If you have any questions or need more information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Yours in education, Alex Lambert *Principal* 



# Thank You for Supporting Walk a Mile!

We're excited to share that Walk a Mile raised an incredible \$4,500 for The Outreach Centre – even more than we initially reported!

This event's success is a testament to the strength and generosity of our community. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated, donated, volunteered, or supported in any way. Your contributions are making a real difference.

## Special Thanks To:

**Sobeys** – Donated hot dogs for the event

Trilliant - Grilled the hot dogs on-site

**Town of Sylvan Lake** – Donated a 6-month family pass to the NexSource Centre for our top fundraiser

**Lodge 43** – Contributed \$560 through their Burger of the Month and bottle donations **Boston Pizza, Fireside, Bukz, and The Lighthouse Eatery** – Donated gift cards for participants who raised over \$100

**Rotary Club** – Provided cotton candy and essential organizational support **Our Sugar Coated EAs** – Spun delicious cotton candy with care and smiles

Thank you again for helping make Walk a Mile a meaningful and successful event. We couldn't have done it without you!

# **GRADE 9 TIME CAPSULE**

DO NOT OPEN UNTIL JUNE 2028

DUE: June 26, 2025



What is it?-A time capsule! Each student currently in grade 9 who chooses to participate will write letters to their classmates and collect letters from friends and family. The time capsule will be "unearthed" for grad in June 2028, on the last day of classes.

Who is participating?-All current Grade 9 students.

6 5 What can go into the time capsule?-Letters and notes from parents, guardians, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, friends, family friends, neighbours, coaches, teachers, and anybody that plays an important role in your child's life

- Photos and pictures
- Any memorabilia, including drawings, art, poems, and creative writing done by the student (anything that showcases his or her current abilities)
- Favourite sayings or mottos
- A letter from students to themselves

What should <u>not</u> go into the time capsule?-Anything bulky (nothing thicker than photographs; CDs could be included!)

**Final Tips**-Feel free to place letters in envelopes, but please <u>do not seal</u> the envelope, as each letter will be skimmed to ensure that letters are not only directed to the correct student, but that there is no risk of bullying or negativity. This is not intended as an invasion of privacy, but rather to guarantee that each student has an overwhelmingly positive experience.

- **NEW:** If students bring letters for their OWN time capsule directly to their teacher, there will be no need to skim them, and envelopes may be sealed.
- While we hope that students take the time to write and collect letters, we do
  not wish for the time capsule to distract them from their class work or
  studying for final exams.

Where can letters be dropped off?-To the bin in your FIRST BLOCK CLASS or to THE OFFICE.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this project. It is truly a unique experience for each student, and has become a tradition at École H.J. Cody School. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the coordinator of the project, Kelsey Wilson, at <a href="https://www.www.kwilson@cesd73.ca">kwilson@cesd73.ca</a>. Thank you again for your participation.



