



**Henry Wise Wood High School**  
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## Wednesday Warrior October 1, 2025

### Principal's Message

Dear HWW Students, Families, and Community members,

Thank you for your thoughtful commemoration of our National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. We appreciate all the Orange Shirts worn on Friday and the variety of events attended yesterday. At the Confluence event, it was so impactful to see the young performers, drummers, dancers, and the community support for this important ReconciliAction work. Thank you, Warriors.

I also want to acknowledge that we are in complex times. We understand there will be a variety of perspectives, impacts and experiences.

Please stay informed about potential ATA Labour Action through the [CBE Labour Relations](#) page.

One additional update, students and staff were temporarily evacuated from the school this afternoon due to a false fire alarm.

The Calgary Fire Department responded and gave the all-clear to students and staff to return into the building after about 30 minutes. All students are safe and classes continued as scheduled for the remainder of the day.

I want to thank students and staff for handling this situation in such a prompt and responsible manner. Through regular and effective fire drills, we were well rehearsed and able to follow emergency procedures effectively.

With gratitude,  
Aileen Smyth, Principal

The leaves are  
changing; I feel  
poetry in the air."  
—*Laura Jaworski*

### Upcoming Dates

Oct 1	Custodial Staff Appreciation Day
Oct 5	World Teacher's Day
Oct 10	World Mental Health Day
Oct 13	Thanksgiving Day—No School

### Learning Commons

Monday, Tuesday—Closed  
Thursday- 8:30 - 3:00pm,  
Wednesday  
8:30—3:00 pm  
Friday 8:30 - 2:00pm

### Fitness Centre

Fitness Centre  
Mon, Tues, Wed,  
Thurs  
3:45pm- 5:00 pm:  
Friday 2:15-  
3:30pm

### Test Centre

Schedule is being finalized,  
more information to follow.

### Math Help

**Monday:** Room 304 3:35 – 4:45

**Tuesday:** Room 305 3:35 – 4:45

**Wednesday:** Room 304/5 7:45 – 8:40

**Thursday:** Room 306 3:35 – 4:45 (Grade 10's only)

### Science Help

**Monday:** Room 304 3:35 – 4:45

**Tuesday:** Room 305 3:35 – 4:45

**Wednesday:** Room 304/5 7:45 – 8:40

**Thursday:** Room 306 3:35 – 4:45 (Grade 10's only)

## HWW Updates

### Attention Grade 12 Partial IB Students:

A mandatory introductory meeting for ToK 35 will take place on Friday, October 3, from 2:15 to 3:30 pm in the King Gym. Please mark this in your calendars and plan to attend. At this meeting you'll review the course outline, the course expectations, and the course timelines. You should also check out the D2L shell for the course, as that is where you'll be accessing most of the course content. If you're unable to access the D2L shell, that can be corrected at the meeting on October 3.

### Online Grade 11/12 IB Information Session

Grade 11/12 IB students and families – there will be an online information session on Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm. The session will cover the basics of participating in the IB program at Henry Wise Wood, including requirements, fees and important dates. The session will be recorded and can be viewed later.

To join the session and/or view the recording, visit <http://info.hwwib.ca>

If you have questions, please email Mr. Glenn Finockio – IB Diploma Programme Coordinator – at [gofinockio@cbe.ab.ca](mailto:gofinockio@cbe.ab.ca)

### Math Contests

Students interested in writing any of the three math contests available this fall should see Ms. McKay in room 304 this week with cash payment.

- Canadian Intermediate or Senior Math Contest: \$14
- Canadian Open Math Challenge: \$30
- Alberta High School Competition: \$2

### Weekly Athletics Update

October 1 (Wed) – Cross Country Meet #3 @ St. Mary's University @ 4:45 pm

October 2 (Thurs) – Girls Soccer – HWW vs JCS. Location: HWW @ 4:30pm  
Jr. & Sr. Girls Volleyball – HWW vs Beaverbrook. Location: HWW @ 5:00 pm & 6:30 pm

### **BOYS' SOCCER**

If you were on the Junior or Senior Boys' Soccer team last year, please stop by room 314 to pick up your photos. And if you are interested in a paid refereeing opportunity, please email Ms. Olinger or stop by 314.

## **Kick Off the Year With myBlueprint**

myBlueprint is available for all CBE staff and students in grades 7–12. It's a one-stop platform for pathway planning, goal setting, and portfolios.

Why it matters: myBlueprint helps students connect their learning today with their high school planning and future pathways. It supports meaningful explorations into who they are, what interests them, and where they want to go next.

How to get started:

- Visit [myBlueprint.ca/cbe](https://myblueprint.ca/cbe) and select School Account Login
- Watch this quick [Getting Started video](#)
- Explore the [Alberta Resource Hub](#) for lesson plans and guides that support pathway planning in every subject and grade

Students are encouraged to log in right away so you can begin capturing goals, interests, and achievements early.

## **This opportunity is being provided by Education Matters:**

### **Subject: Save on Student Study Guides & Digital Resources**

Dear Henry Wise Wood Families,

We are excited to share a special offer for educational resources through a new partnership between [EducationMatters](#) and Castle Rock Research. From **September 15 to October 3**, you can purchase valuable study materials at a significant discount and help raise funds for EducationMatters.

This is a great opportunity to get supplementary resources to support your student's learning this school year.

### **How to Order:**

Visit our school's unique online portal: <https://schoolorders.solaro.com/9836>

1. Place your order and pay directly online.

The deadline to order is **Friday, October 3, 2025**.

All print materials will be delivered to the school after the closing date and distributed to students. For more details, please see the attached PDF flyer.

We appreciate your help in sharing this valuable opportunity with your community.

I am pleased to announce that EducationMatters is currently accepting applications for the following student awards for the 2025/2026 school year.

- **Laurie Sommerville Scholarship – Deadline December 1, 2025**
- **Breakthrough Opportunity Bursary for New Immigrants – Deadline December 1, 2025**

Details of both awards are attached and are also available on our website (<https://www.educationmatters.ca/students/student-awards/>).

To apply, students must register an account in EducationMatters' online application portal (<https://applications.educationmatters.ca>). From there, they will have access to the applications for each of these awards. If they already have an account they do NOT need to create a new one.

**NOTE: There are no other awards for students to apply for at this time.** Applications for the majority of EducationMatters awards will open March 1, 2026. Stay tuned for more information,

## NOTICE OF AGMs

Please join us for our Annual General Meetings, on **Monday, October 27**, where we will **elect new executive teams** for the 2025-2026 school year:

- Henry Wise School Council AGM – **6:30 pm**
- Henry Wise Wood Parents and Alumni Association AGM – immediately following the conclusion of the School Council AGM

[Join the meeting now](#)

### **Backup Date:**

Due to the Teacher's strike, starting October 6<sup>th</sup>, a backup date has been selected for the AGMs: Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup>.

A notification will be sent on or before October 24<sup>th</sup> if the strike has concluded and the AGMs are possible to be held that day, otherwise notification will be sent closer to the November date.

Agendas:

[HWW SC AGM Agenda 2025](#)

[HWWPAA AGM Agenda October 27, 2025.docx](#)

Prior to the meeting, please review the minutes from the previous AGMs, found on the Henry Wise Wood website, here:

[HWW SC AGM Minutes Oct 28 24](#)

[HWW PAA AGM Minutes Oct 28 24](#)

**If you are interested in helping out,  
please reach out to us at [schoolcouncilhww@gmail.com](mailto:schoolcouncilhww@gmail.com)**

### TEACHER'S STRIKE RESOURCE DOCUMENT

A list of resources provided by ASCA to all Alberta School Councils may be helpful for parents with questions about the Teacher's strike:

[ASCA\\_LabourDisputeResources\\_SEEpg9](#)

Oki (oak-key)- Blackfoot

Dadanast'ada (dada-nast-adah) - Tsuut'ina

Âba wathtec (amba-wastitch) - Îyârhe Nakoda

Tânisi (tawn-say) - Cree

Taanishi (tawn-i-shi) - Michif

Boozhoo (boo-jzhoo) - Ojibwe (My nation!)

Bonjour (bon-joor)- French

Hello!

My name is Andy Stefanato (I go by Andy or Stef with students). I am Ojibwe, from Thunder Bay in Ontario. I am the Indigenous Student Grad Coach at Henry Wise Wood. Welcome to the 2025/2026 school year!

My job is to support our self identified Indigenous students in their success throughout high school. This can look like a variety of things. Students come in for support with academic questions, advocating with teachers, planning for post secondary, connecting with outside community supports, connecting with cultural supports, and many other things! Whatever our students need in order to be successful in high school, my job is to support with that. I will often be involved in meetings with assistant principals and guidance counsellors when they meet with our self identified Indigenous students.

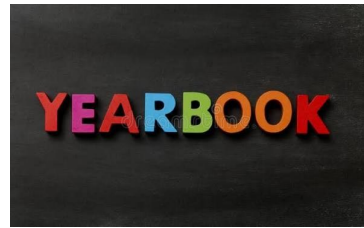
I send weekly emails to students in my cohort, as well as updates in the learning lodge D2L shell. Beyond that, I am available throughout the day for students.

If students want to come say hello or to access support, I am available in The Learning Lodge (room 120). Students often see the room as a space to work, connect with resources, or spend break times in. We also keep snacks in room 120!

Thanks, and I'm excited to continue into this school year!

## Yearbook Orders

Capture all the memories of the 2025–26 school year with our official yearbook! Pre-order now for only **\$45**. Prices will increase to **\$50 starting January 1, 2026**, so don't miss out on the early bird discount. Go to this website to get your book or follow the QR code:



<https://ybstore.friesens.com/757869>

Secure your copy today and give your student a keepsake they'll treasure for years to come!

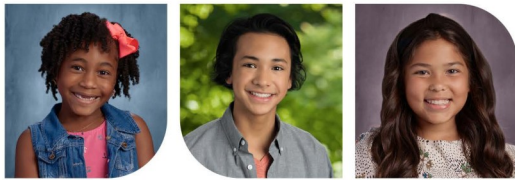
## Lifetouch Photo Orders

Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures  
**ENJOY 10% OFF**  
your order!

**CODE: F202510OFF**

EXPIRES: July 31, 2026

[Redeem Now](#)



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# PICTURE DAY

**What to Expect:**

-  Students are photographed on Picture Day
-  Review pictures & purchase on [mylifetouch.ca](https://mylifetouch.ca)
-  Purchased picture packages are shipped directly home.

Questions? Please contact Customer Service at 866-457-8212.



- Images will be available online 3-5 days after your photo day
- Visit [mylifetouch.ca](https://mylifetouch.ca)
  - Select Student ID tab
  - Create account and follow prompts to locate your school's photo day
  - Enter your student information
  - Select photo package and place your order.
  - Orders will ship direct to home
- Questions: 1.866.457.8212  
Or use live chat on [mylifetouch.ca](https://mylifetouch.ca)



## Scholarship Information

### National Book Award (University of Toronto)

The National Book Award is awarded to a student who demonstrates superior academic performance, original and creative thought, and exceptional extra-curricular achievement in a broad context. Your nominee must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or protected person, currently in their final year of secondary school.

**If interested, complete the [application](#) form and submit to the office by Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00pm.**

### Loran Award

Applications for the Loran Award are now open – the award is designed for students who demonstrate strength of character, a deep commitment to service, and intrinsic leadership potential. Approximate value is \$100,000.

#### Criteria:

Be graduating from high school in 2026. Note: Students who graduated in 2025 and are currently taking a gap year are eligible to apply.

Present a minimum cumulative average of 85%.

Hold Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.

Be born between January 1, 2004 and September 1, 2010.

**To apply, visit [apply.loranscholar.ca](http://apply.loranscholar.ca) – application deadline is Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.**

### TD Scholarship for Community Leadership

Since 1995, TD has awarded millions in TD Scholarships for Community Leadership to recognize students who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to community leadership. TD Scholarships for Community Leadership recipients receive up to **\$70,000** for tuition and living expenses as well as opportunities for paid summer employment, peer networking and mentorship.

**To apply, visit [portal.scholarshippartners.ca/welcome/td\\_en/](http://portal.scholarshippartners.ca/welcome/td_en/) - application deadline is Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:00am.**

### Wolf Scholars Program

Wolf Scholars is a transformative scholarship program designed to develop Canada's next generation of thoughtful builders, innovators, and leaders.

Each year, 16 exceptional incoming undergraduates across the University of Toronto's Faculty of Arts & Science will form a tight-knit cohort. Wolf Scholars will join a four-year enrichment program centered on developing their critical thinking skills, emotional intelligence, resilience, and creativity for life.

#### Each year, up to 16 Wolf Scholars will benefit from:

- Full funding for tuition and ancillary fees over four years
- A generous living stipend
- Funded Canadian and international travel
- Access to top internships at Canada's leading organisations (business, politics, tech, non-profit)

Rigorous seminars, mentorship, a tight-knit cohort, and much more

**Applications are live now on the [website](#) and will close on November 10th, 2025.**





## Henry Wise Wood High School Music Program fundraiser



Coco Brooks offers hundreds of items including pizza, frozen meats, frozen meals, cookie dough and desserts, including gluten free and vegan products.

Money raised helps music students attend festivals, band camp, hire clinicians and participate in workshops, take music-related field trips, guests and experiences and helps buy instruments and music-related materials.

Our goal is to raise at least \$1,000 with this campaign.

**Place your order by Friday October 10, pick up at Henry Wise Wood High School on Monday October 27 between 3:00-6:00pm.**

To make your order, visit: <http://fundraising.cocobrooks.com> Use code SWART-VEGIE or scan:



Know a music student?  
Ask them for their seller code & they will get 50% of the profit for personal use.



If you would like a paper order form, and/or to pay by cheque, cash or etransfer, please contact Ms Newman or email [hwwmusicparents@gmail.com](mailto:hwwmusicparents@gmail.com).



Youth Central is excited to partner for another year with the Trellis Society to bring more opportunities and joy to graduates across Calgary through the GRADitude Project!

We are proud to open the Project to youth of all genders, offering suits alongside dresses. We will also welcome volunteers of all gender identities.

**Registration for 2026 is now open to all Grade 12 graduates.**

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## Henry Wise Wood Neighborhood Drop-Off and Pick-Up Routes

In an effort to help HWW students and parents make drop-off and pick-up times safe, HWW School Council has put together a map with details about possible routes to and from the school (Link). Please take a look through and consider which routes could benefit your family and help keep the area in front of the school safe for all pedestrians and vehicles

