



Student & Parent Handbook 2024-2025

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WELCOME TO HILLMOND CENTRAL SCHOOL's 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR!

Parents and Students:

It is hard to believe that the 2024-2025 school year is already upon us. I hope you had a wonderful summer with your family and created some special memories. I am looking forward to hearing about all your adventures!

As we begin this school year, we thought we would put together this handbook for the ability to quickly refer to some important information. This is a new document that will likely have additions and adjustments soon. If you don't see something in here that you think should be addressed, please let me know. This handbook will only be useful if it is used. Your input is valued.

At Hillmond Central School, we recognize the importance of CREED: we are Caring and Respectful as we demonstrate Excellence, Enthusiasm and Determination. I know you value these characteristics as well. Together, we can create the best learning experience for your child(ren) and watch as they reach personal high levels of achievement in a safe and caring environment.

Thank you for taking the time to review this handbook.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions!

Happy school year!

Tina Pero

Principal, Hillmond Central School

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Hillmond Central School Staff 2024-25

Tina Pero	Principal
Leah Huff	Vice Principal/Student Support Services Teacher
Jana Thompson	Administrative Assistant
Alexis Heck	Administrative Assistant
Rhea Arnold	Kindergarten/Grade 1
Robyn Hunter	Grade 1/2
Katie Clark	Grade 3
Jenna Wells	Grade 4
Lacey Simpkins	Grade 5

David Feil	PE/Social/Health/PAA
Rene Stein	Math/Science
Kareen Tenney	ELA
Shaun Hart	Math/History/PAA
Jill McKenzie	Librarian Technician
Tara Canfield	Wellness Coordinator
Angie Evans	Educational Assistant
Tanya Walter	Educational Assistant
Alix McCoy	Educational Assistant
Cheya O'Brien	DLC Onsite Learning Assistant
Stephanie Rozka	Custodian
Brant Rozka	Custodian

Bell Schedule

Northwest School Division runs on a six day schedule (Day 1-Day 6). Kindergarten students attend on even days (2,4 & 6). Hillmond Central School has 6 periods in each day.

8:55-9:47	Period 1
9:47 – 10:39	Period 2
10:39-10:54	Recess
10:54-11:46	Period 3
11:46-12:16	Lunch
12:16-1:08	Period 4
1:08-2:00	Period 5
2:00-2:15	Recess

2:15-3:07

Period 6

3:07

Dismissal

Our Administrative Assistants are at the school at 8:00 and are done their day at 3:30. Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Heck job share so please ensure you are including both in any emails and/or Edsby messages.

Below, is a calendar that communicates school and non-school days for students. The second calendar lists the days of the 6 Day Cycle (Kindergarten families will need to refer to it.)

[NWSD Parent Friendly Calendar](#)

[Day 1-6 Calendar](#)

Student Dress Policy

Shared Rights and Responsibilities for Student Dress

Students

- The primary responsibility for a student's attire resides with the student and their parent(s) or guardian(s).
- Students have the right to express themselves, feel comfortable in what they wear and the freedom to make dress choices (e.g., clothing, hairstyle, makeup, jewelry, fashion, style, etc.).
- Students have the responsibility to respect the rights of others, support a positive, safe and shared environment and to comply with the Student Dress Policy

Staff

- Staff are responsible for ensuring that student dress does not interfere with student and staff health or safety requirements and/or promote offensive, harassing, hostile or intimidating environments.
- Staff have the additional responsibility to balance student health, well-being and safety and foster positive school climates while affirming and respecting student choices and freedom of expression.

Student Dress Policy

- Students may attend school and school-related functions in dress of their choice that conforms to following system standards.
- Student dress must:
 - Be worn in such a way that all bottom layers cover groin and buttocks and top layers cover the chest sufficiently, both with opaque material.
 - Undergarments may not be substituted as outerwear and, if worn, should be worn beneath a layer of outer wear. Straps and waistbands may be exposed.
 - Any headwear that does not obscure the face may be worn. Hoods must be taken down in the classroom. This is up to the discretion of the classroom teacher.
 - Conform with established health and safety requirements for the intended activity (e.g., health and physical education classes, science and chemistry classes, sporting events, technical education, drama/dance classes, etc.)
 - Respect Hillmond Central School's intent to sustain a community that is positive, anti-oppressive, equitable, accepting and inclusive of a diverse range of social and cultural identities;
 - Not promote offensive, lewd, vulgar, or obscene images or language, including profanity, hate and pornography;
 - Not promote, nor, could not be construed as or include content that is discriminatory (e.g., racist, anti-Black, anti-Indigenous, anti-Semitic, Islamophobic, sexist, transphobic, homophobic, classist, ableist, sizist, etc.), or that reasonably could be construed as defamatory, threatening, harassing or promoting bias, prejudice or hate;
 - Not symbolize, suggest, display or reference: sexual connotations, tobacco, cannabis, alcohol, drugs or related paraphernalia, promotion or incitement of violence or any illegal conduct or criminal activities
 - Not interfere with the safe operation of the school, limit or restrict the rights of others, or create a reasonably foreseeable risk of such interference or invasion of rights; (e.g., except for creed accommodations and safety requirements, no head wear may obscure the face, all other head wear may be worn);

Use of Personal Electronic Devices

As you may be aware, all schools in the province of Saskatchewan must adhere to a Personal Electronics Device Policy. Below you will find important information regarding Hillmond Central School's expectations regarding Personal Electronic Devices (includes but not limited to cell phones, smartphones, tablets, smart watches and portable video game systems).

These expectations have been created using Northwest School Divisions Administrative Procedure 145 and discussions with staff members, students and some parents of the school.

1. Personal technology shall be stored out of view and on silent mode during instructional time in all K-12 classes within Hillmond Central School. Teachers and other staff members will instruct students to put all Personal Electronic Devices away at the start of classes. This may look different in each classroom. The classroom teacher will explain his/her expectations for storing the device out of view.
2. Students will be allowed to use devices during scheduled breaks.
3. Teachers of students in Grade 9 to 12 who identify a specific instructional purpose for students to use personal electronic devices in their classroom may request and gain permission from the principal.
4. Use of Electronic Devices during Field Trips will be up to consideration of the supervising teacher(s).
5. Exemptions approved by the principal may be made when the device is required for specific medical conditions or for documented accommodations related to additional needs. Supporting documentation MUST accompany the medical or educational exemption.
6. Hillmond Central School and Northwest School Division ARE NOT responsible for students' personal electronic devices that are lost, damaged or stolen.

Students who are uncompliant with the Personal Electronic Device policy compromise a safe and successful learning environment for all. Therefore, the

following steps will be the procedure should a student not meet the above laid out expectations:

1. Student will be told to give the device to the classroom teacher. These phones will be then brought to the office until the end of the half day (lunch if morning class, end of school day if afternoon class).
2. Should further infractions continue, escalating consequences will occur including but not limited to: loss of device for the entire school day, parent/guardian must pick up device, student will not be permitted to bring a device to school, in school suspension, out of school suspension, meetings with superintendents.

PLEASE NOTE: Under most circumstances, the above procedures will occur in this order. However, other factors (escalation, history) may dictate the order/severity of consequences.

Parents and Guardians are encouraged to support a productive and uninterrupted learning environment by contacting the office if needing to speak with their child(ren).

Cold Weather and Recess

- At the time of recess, if the temperature is -30C or colder (with or without windchill), it will be an indoor recess.
- Temperature will be taken from The Weather Network website or app with the location of Britannia No. 502.
- Supervised activities will be provided for students during inside recesses.

Communication with Teachers

A strong relationship between home and school is vital to the success of students. The staff at Hillmond Central School recognizes the importance of creating a team atmosphere while supporting your child(ren) through their educational journey.

Staff can be reached by phone (306-825-3393), email (firstname.lastname@nwsd.ca) or Edsby profile.

Please remember the following considerations when contacting the school:

- Contact the teacher directly if you have concerns about grades or classroom incidents/activities.
- Contact the principal or vice principal if you have concerns about issues with the school
- Our staff is incredibly hard working. Please respect their time outside of school hours. It is never acceptable to contact a staff member about a school issue on their personal electronic device unless instructed to.
- Should an emergency arise, please reach out to the principal, Tina Pero.

PARKING

Hillmond Central School is a unique school as almost all students rely on buses to get to and from school. This means that our bus zone (upper parking lot) is extremely busy during drop off and pick up times.

If you are planning to come to the school, we ask that you park in the lower parking lot. If you are dropping off a student, we ask that you avoid the upper parking lot between the times of 8:30-9:00 and 2:45-3:20.

Thank you for your understanding and commitment to ensure the safety of all our students.

DROPPING OFF STUDENTS AND SUPERVISION

There is no supervision of students prior to 8:30am. If you are dropping off students, please be aware of this. Occasionally, situations arise and arrangements can be made to assist with earlier drop offs. Please contact the school should you need to make these arrangements.

STUDENT FEES

Student fees are \$25 per student and \$40 per student taking Practical and Applied Arts (Grade 7-9). These fees are used to purchase supplies for PAA, assist with special events/presentations, supply plastic utensils for students who forget reusable ones and assist with some student travel.

Additional fees are charged for extra curricular activities. This money is used to pay for officials and purchase any extra supplies needed for a club to run.

Hillmond Central School understands that these extra financial expenses may be difficult for some families. Please reach out to the school. We are committed to work with families to ensure that all students can participate in any program(s) they would like to.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

For a small school, Hillmond Central School offers a lot of extra curricular options for students. Sports, music, drama, crafting, and games are just some of what is offered.

Extra Curricular Activities occur during non-instructional hours and rely on staff and community members to volunteer their time. Parents arriving promptly at the end of practices/games/club times is very appreciated. Should you have questions or concerns with a team/club, please contact the coach/club leader.

Extra Curricular Activities are a privilege. Students will be allowed to participate if they are keeping on track with their curricular responsibilities. This will look different for each student. Communication with the coach or club leaders is encouraged.

ALLERGIES

Hillmond Central School is a "NUT AWARE" school. This status could change at any time.

We do ask that you refrain from sending PINEAPPLE or MANGO with lunches and/or snacks.

We thank you in advance for adhering to these limitations. This has been put in place to ensure the safety of our students.