

# HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS SECONDARY SCHOOL

## SCHOOL PROFILE

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***'Home of the Red Hawks'***  
***'Once A Hawk, Always A Hawk'***

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# School Credo

## WE BELIEVE IN:

***RESPECT***

***COMMITMENT***

***RESPONSIBILITY***

We believe in the ability of all students to learn in a safe environment that nurtures, challenges and enables individuals to achieve their full potential. Students will develop skills enabling them to function effectively as life long learners and responsible citizens in a global and technological society.

### **SOME FACTS ABOUT HAL HIGH**

- ◆ 578 Full Time Students
- ◆ 46 Teaching Staff
- ◆ 9 Educational Assistants
- ◆ 4 Secretaries
- ◆ 8 Custodians
- ◆ Aramark Cafeteria provides breakfast, lunch and snacks
- ◆ Bob Orr Breakfast Nook - Mon, Wed, Fri mornings – free nutritious snacks
- ◆ Sports, music, drama, extra-curricular programs
- ◆ Yearbook – credit based by Hal High students
- ◆ Student Activities Council - Two Co-Captains with separate Ministers and Grade Representatives
- ◆ School dances, Spirit Days, Fund-raising Activities

### **Semestered School**

- ◆ Week 1 – timetable periods 1 – 2 – 3 - 4
- ◆ Week 2 – timetable periods 4 – 3 - 2 - 1
- ◆ Two sets of final examinations – January and June
- ◆ Commencement is the end of June

### **School Council**

- ◆ A committee comprised of 12 individuals including parents, community, students, teacher representative, non-teaching representative and the Principal
- ◆ 5 meetings (bi-monthly) held each year held in Library at 7 pm (March 22 and May 17 future mtgs)
- ◆ Confidential voice mail 457-2950 – Extension 549

### **SCHOOL DEPARTMENTS**

- Arts Department – Mr. Tom Regina
- Business and Technical – Mr. Dan Fockler
- Guidance, Library and Co-op – Mrs. Chris Duchene
- Family Studies, Physical Education and Health – Mr. Ron Yake
- Mathematics – Mrs. Amy Klose
- Moderns – Dr. Darrell Dobson
- Science – Mrs. Emma Thurley
- Social Science – Mr. Paul Longo
- Special Education – Mr. Bruce Griffith
- School Improvement – Mrs. Kathy Hutson

***We are all proud of what our school stands for and what we achieve.***

***High School last 4 or 5 years ... the memories last a lifetime."***

## **LANGUAGE AND ARTS**

The Language and Arts Program in the school fosters vocabulary acquisition, oral expression, writing skills and appreciation and creation of art in various forms. As well, the school encourages a love for music and offers a chance to play a variety of musical instruments. Hal High has a tremendous group of talented musicians who can choose to play in a band and perform within the County and at out-of-county Music Festivals. Our Visual Arts Program displays many of their creations in our showcase in the main foyer as well as the Art Room. Our Drama Program encourages students to reflect their visions of themselves in a multitude of artistic form. The school is now the home of the Red Hawk Theatre and proudly presents many performances in our Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion located in our school. Drama students also perform in other venues around the province.

## **MATH, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY**

Our Math, Science and Technology Programs instill a desire to produce students who are adept in manipulating materials and computer programs. Technological "building" projects are school based but also extend into our community. Science has developed a community partnership that is first class in our province and builds towards a better environment for all. Mathematics focuses on developing numeric skills for lifelong learning.

## **CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION**

Co-operative Education is a method of learning focusing on work experience in the community. The work placement must be reflective of and tied to school courses. Placements may be for two credits or four credits within a semester. Co-operative Education enables students to explore career alternatives while increasing self confidence and obtaining valuable employable skills.

## **PRACTICAL ACADEMICS AND LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM (PALS)**

This non credit program is for developmentally challenged students identified by an Identification Placement and Review Committee (IPRC). Students' needs are met by individual programs. Included are opportunities to experience the world of work.

## **SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR - HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM**

Hal High is proud of its new 2300 sq.ft. Hospitality and Tourism room. It includes 5 cooking areas with some commercial capabilities, a small dining room where students can practice their service skills, a large open classroom, a mini computer lab and a front-of-house reception desk that greets visitors at the door. The students will be able to experience all aspects of the Hospitality and Tourism curriculum in this fine facility.

## **SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR – ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM**

New in 2011 – 2012 school year – second semester.

## **DUAL CREDITS – PARTNERSHIP with FLEMING COLLEGE**

A number of interesting opportunities exist for students wishing to pursue Dual Credits. You can earn a credit through Fleming College while completing your diploma requirements at H.H.S.S. This gives you great experience and a chance to move forward with college plans while still in secondary school.

## **EXTENDED FRENCH**

The Extended French program is intended for students who have completed the elementary school French Immersion program. Students electing to take the Extended French program will be required to complete seven Extended French courses prior to graduation. Students who successfully complete these credits are eligible for an Extended French Certificate. At H.H.S.S. the French courses are: Grade 9, 10, 11, 12 Extended French, Grade 9 Geography in French, Grade 10 History in French, Grade 10 Civics and Careers in French. Students in the French Extended Program who only want to take the French portion of the Extended French are welcome to do so.

## **ATHLETICS**

Our Athletic Program strives to be best in our region in both diversity and accomplishments. Hal High offers many activities for boys and girls under the capable supervision of our teachers. Emphasis is placed on participation and sportsmanship which leads to developing character, spirits, champions, and a whole lot of fun – "Go Red Hawks Go".

## **SPECIAL INTERESTS**

- ◆ Special Education Department offers life skills programs and regular classroom integration and remediation.
- ◆ Honours Award Program: Last year over \$32,000 was donated and awarded to Hal High Students
- ◆ Guidance Career Centre / Student Success Room
- ◆ Safe & Caring Schools / Monthly Character Trait Recognition
- ◆ Up-to-date computer facilities and Technical Students' Program – project oriented, student driven
- ◆ OPP Partnership, Cops for Cancer, Party in the Right Spirit
- ◆ Educational Assemblies on Remembrance Day, Alcohol, Drugs, Harassment/Bullying, Breath Clean
- ◆ ECO-Club
- ◆ ... much more

***Hal High is very friendly. Our staff is outgoing and encourages students to get involved.  
There is something for everyone.***