media advisory

Celebrating the Year of the Rabbit with the CBE

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CALGARY – Three Calgary Board of Education schools are celebrating the Lunar New Year with special performances and events. Chinese New Year takes place on Sunday, Jan. 22, 2023.

Media are invited to the celebrations. Students and teachers will be available for interviews and photos.

Midnapore (K-4) and Harold Panabaker (5-9) Schools

Students in the Mandarin Bilingual Program at these schools are preparing to celebrate Chinese New Year, the Year of the Rabbit. The performance will include Chinese songs, dances, and culture-rich performances enthusiastically presented by the students from the two schools. Students have created and curated beautiful costumes and sets to enhance their performance and cultural understanding.

Final Performance

Date: Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2023

Time: 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Place: Harold Panabaker School gymnasium, 23 Sackville Dr. S.W.

Highwood School (K-4)

The theme of this year's celebration is "Uniting in Celebration." Their concert explores some of the most significant celebrations found in both Canadian and Chinese cultures, notably from an Albertan lens. This will include such celebrations as the Calgary Stampede, Indigenous Powwow, the Mid-Autumn Festival, the Lantern Festival and Lunar New Year.

At-school dress rehearsal

Date: Friday, Jan.20, 2023 Time: 9:15 –11:30 a.m.

Place: Highwood School gymnasium, 11 Holmwood Ave. N.W.

Dress rehearsal:

Date: Monday, Jan. 23, 2023 Time: 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Place: Jubilee Auditorium, 1415 14 Ave. N.W.

Contact: Principal Christine Cheung

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Time: 7: -8:30 pm

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About CBE Mandarin Bilingual Programs

Five CBE schools offer a Mandarin bilingual program. This program is one of the many bilingual and alternative programs offered by the CBE. Bilingual education strives to provide intensive language learning environments, with the potential for high academic achievement and enriched cultural experiences that maximize student opportunities for learning.

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Note: Principals have a responsibility to limit media coverage only to students approved for interviews. Reporters attending an event are requested to receive permission from a CBE contact before interviewing or photographing students. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter, and for joining us in celebrating public education.

