



RC Palmer Incentive Program

2024-2025

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FIRST PEOPLES OF THE HƏN'QƏMIN'ƏM LANGUAGE
GROUP ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL AND UNCEDED
TERRITORIES I TEACH, LIVE, AND LEARN.*

Welcome!

- An enriched, accelerated and more challenging academic program to prepare students for university
- Cross grade/cross curricular program that advocates critical thinking, individual and group work, research and presentations
- Encourages self-discipline, perseverance, leadership and creativity
- A symbol of excellence & leadership within the school
- Prepares students for AP (Advanced Placement) courses in Grade 12



Incentive Program Expectations –

Students must maintain a **minimum Proficient academic level or B letter grade**

Students must demonstrate **high standards of work habits and citizenship in class and around the school**

Subject Area	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English	Humanities 8 Incentive	English 9 Incentive	English 10 Incentive	English 11 Incentive	English 12 and AP English option
Social Studies		Socials 9 Incentive	Socials 10 Incentive	Socials 11 Incentive	Elective(s) (e.g., History 12, Law 12, etc.)
Typical Mathematics	Math 8	Math 9	Math 10	Math 11	Math 12 AP Calculus
Incentive Mathematics	Math 8/9 Honours	Math 9/10 Honours	Pre-Calculus Math 11 Enriched	Pre-Calculus Math 12	AP Calculus
Typical Science	Science 8	Science 9	Science 10	Science 11 Elective(s) (Biology, Chemistry, or Physics)	Science 11/12 Elective(s) AP Science Options
Incentive Science	Science 8/9 Incentive	Science 9/10 Incentive	Science 11 Elective(s) (Biology, Chemistry, or Physics)	Science 11/12 Elective(s)	Science 11/12 Electives AP Science Options

Trips

- Camp Squamish (Gr 8-10)
Confirmed for Oct 9-11



- Camp Strathcona (Gr 8)
April 28 – May 2



- Oregon Shakespeare Festival (Gr 10)
TBD



Camp Squamish

- All grade 8-10 students
- 12 selected mentors
- Team-building focused games, activities, and challenges
- Educational craft workshop by Squamish First Nations artist Tsawaysia Spukwus



Grade 9 Volunteering Hours

- Encourages students to give back to the school community
- Counts towards Palmer Service Award hours



Science Fair

2023 Regionals (April 2023)

Grade 8

Derek Li & Zack Li – Bronze Medal

Eason Wang & George Guan – Bronze Medal

Romina Paridel – Silver Medal, BC Game Developers Award, Science World Award

Yana Choudhary – Silver Medal, Society for Canadian Women in Science and Technology Award, Engineers and Geoscientists of BC Award

Grade 9

Janice Chen – Silver Medal

Jennifer You – Honourable Mention

2024 Regionals (April 2024)

Grade 8

Daniel He & Allen Xu – Honourable Mention

Grade 9

Yana Choudhary – Silver Medal, Lynn Valley Garden Award

Riya Dua – Gold Medal



- Science Fair mentoring program
- Science Fair returns on February 13, 2025

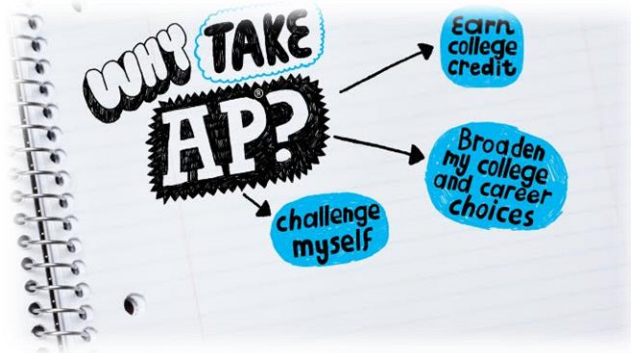


Palmer AP Courses

College Board AP (Advanced Placement) courses are university level courses available to high school students.

Some advantages:

- Adapt and develop the necessary skills to be successful
- Familiar setting, smaller class, and better teacher-student ratio
- AP courses and the exam are separate and can be used to preview the course
- Get ahead by earning university credit
- Reduce tuition costs if credit is earned



Palmer AP Courses

2022	2023	2024	Current School Year
Courses offered: 4	Courses offered: 3	Courses offered: 5	Courses offered: 5+
Scores of 4+: 8 in AP Biology 11 in AP Calc 11 in AP Chem 20 in AP Psych	Scores of 4+: 10 in AP Calc All in AP Chem 31 in AP Psych	Scores of 4+: 5 in AP Biology 16 in AP Calc 11 in AP Chem 6 in AP Phys 22 in AP Psych	AP Biology AP Calculus AP Chemistry AP Physics AP Psychology Additional courses available through Independent Directed Studies (IDS)
Palmer scored above provincial and global averages.	Palmer scored above provincial and global averages.	Palmer scored above provincial and global averages.	