



## The Husky Way Spirit Assemblies 2024-2025

Featuring: The Circle of Courage

The Circle of Courage is a model of youth development based on Indigenous Philosophies and contemporary psychological research. When implemented in elementary schools, it aims to foster a nurturing environment, promoting holistic wellbeing, where students feel supported, valued and motivated to succeed.

On the following dates (Wednesdays), we intend to celebrate student success and reinforce Circle of Courage values and related behaviours.

Each class teacher will choose a student they think demonstrated the previous month's circle of courage focus and present them with a certificate at the Assembly. Due to the short turn around from Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> to Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> we may choose to celebrate helping, as it relates to Generosity, in a different way.

**BELONGING** – emphasizes the importance of being accepted and having a sense of connection or significance to someone or something. A positive sense of belonging nurtures self-esteem, self worth, and ultimately equips children with the ability to develop healthy relationships with others. All children need to feel a sense of belonging.

**MASTERY** – refers to the importance of children developing skills that help them produce and exercise competence, confidence, achievement and control over self. Children learn new skills through daily life and enrichment activities in which their environment provides them with opportunities to tap personal talents. All children need to feel successful.

**INDEPENDENCE** – focuses on providing children with experiences to develop autonomy and essential life skills. Children learn to accept responsibility and develop a sense of power that comes from this self-control. They are empowered to understand how their choices affect their destiny. All children need opportunities for voice and choice in their learning and to take responsibility for their learning.

**GENEROSITY** – focusses on providing children with opportunities to demonstrate altruism and helping behaviours. Children learn to understand the value of giving back to the community and making a meaningful difference. Generosity instills values of empathy, cooperation kindness and encourages students to contribute to the well-being of others. All children need to share their talents and contribute in meaningful and positive ways.



Date Wednesday 8:15 am	Growth Need (Theme)	Value/Focus	Core Competency Connection	HPE School Learning Plan Connection
September 11	Belonging	Caring	Social Awareness and Responsibility	Human Social Development
October 2	Independence	Goal Setting	Collaborating	Career Development
November 13	Independence	Problem Solving	Communicating	Human Social Development
December 18	Generosity	Helping	Social Awareness and Responsibility	Human Social Development
January 8	Mastery	Persevering	Personal Awareness and Responsibility	Career Development
February 5	Belonging	Safety	Positive Personal and Cultural Identity	Human Social Development
March 5	Independence	Responsibility	Personal Awareness and Responsibility	Career Development
April 2	Mastery	Achieving	Communicating/ Critical and Reflective Thinking	Intellectual Development
May 7	Belonging	Respect	Personal Awareness and Responsibility	Human Social Development
June 4	Generosity	Sharing	Creative Thinking	Human Social Development