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Holley Free Summer Meal Program a Hit with District Families

Holley children received free breakfast and lunch at the Holley MS/HS Dining Hall once again this summer due to a partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The District provided meals Monday through Friday to children under the age of 18 living within the Holley Central School District, regardless of income level. "We were proud and pleased to offer this program in conjunction with the Department of Agriculture," said Holley Superintendent Robert D'Angelo. "We urged everyone in the district to participate." Pre-registration was not required.

While district children enjoyed these meals for free, adults, including Holley staff members, purchased breakfast for \$2.50 and lunch for \$4.25 from the District during this program.

Students who participated in morning exercise classes, such as the BLAST summer conditioning sessions, were able to grab meals before and/or after their classes. Breakfast was served from 8-11 a.m. and lunch was served from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Students who participated in the summer recreation program were also welcome to stop in to grab something to eat. Breakfast included bagels, cereal, muffins, Frudels, fresh fruit, juice and milk. Lunch included subs, wraps, sandwiches, pizzas, salads, vegetables, fruit, water, milk and juice. The meal program ended on August 18. Transportation was not provided by the District.

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Superintendent's Message: WELCOME BACK!

Dear Parents and Students,

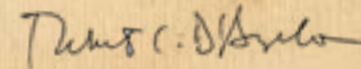
Welcome back to school to all of our students, staff and families. This was a great summer for getting outdoors and enjoying all that nature has to offer. I also want to thank everyone for your patience and understanding this past summer as we completed the final phase of our capital project. This phase concentrated on:

1. Installing new rooftop units at both of our schools, along with installing new roofs over the gym and auditorium portions of the MS/HS, and new canopy roofs at the MS/HS.
2. Installing new exterior windows at the ES, and installing a new bus loop to separate bus traffic from other vehicle traffic at the ES.
3. Constructing two new playgrounds at the ES, one on each end of the building.
4. Constructing a new tennis court behind the MS/HS, and renovating a portion of the old tennis court to accommodate additional tennis and pickleball courts, and two new basketball courts.

These renovations are not all-inclusive, but provide you with a good indication of the amount of work that was completed this summer. This entire project, with all of the renovations, places our school district in the category of having one of the finest buildings and grounds of all school

districts in Western New York. I am extremely grateful to the community for your support of our capital project as it not only benefits the school district and students, but also the community at-large. Everyone will be able to enjoy all that the school district has to offer, such as the state-of-the-art school buildings, all-weather track and football stadium, and new tennis, pickleball and basketball courts. All of this is further enhanced by the outstanding condition of our grounds, the result of hard work by our grounds staff.

The "HOLLEY STRONG" motto comes to mind, as we have much to be proud of in the Holley School District: our outstanding buildings and grounds, our hardworking staff, a safe and orderly school environment, our supportive parents, and of course, our students; they are the greatest kids of all! I invite all parents to join us in maintaining the best possible school district for our students, as they are our greatest assets. Parents, please do not hesitate to contact us if we can assist you in any manner. By working together, we will be better able to assist our students in becoming all that they are capable of being. Have a great school year!



Robert C. D'Angelo

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Students cited Breakfast Breaks, cereal and bagels as their top choices for breakfast. Pizza, wraps, chicken fingers and subs were their favorites for lunch. Seventh grader Gavin Baney was back again this summer for lunch. "I like coming here because then I don't have to make my own lunch," he said. Parent Jenny Gminski said she also enjoyed the break from making meals. She brought her two children in for lunch daily. "My kids are homeschooled, so it breaks up our day and they look forward to it," she said. Parent Casey McCormack said not only did she appreciate the cost savings on groceries, but her kids enjoyed the social aspect of eating lunch at school. "They like seeing their friends and being able to visit with them over lunch," she said. Parent Priscilla Church said her

elementary school-aged daughters like the experience of eating in the Dining Hall at the MS/HS. "They eat more food in the summer program than they would normally eat from their own school's cafeteria," she said.

Candace Bradley, who daily brought in a group of kids ranging in age from three to nine years old, appreciated the assistance from the cafeteria staff. "Pam and Jean are so helpful with getting the kids what they need as they go through the line and travel to their table," she said. "I like the variety of the meals. If the kids don't finish their food, we pack up the leftovers, and they can eat them later in the day." Mary Jo Smith brought her grandchildren in regularly for lunch. "This was a convenient program because I could look at the menu for the month and know what

would appeal to the kids," she said. "They really appreciated having a choice of what to eat for lunch. I liked knowing they were eating a balanced meal. It also helps train the little ones on how to go through the lunch line in preparation for going back to school."

Food Service Director Vickie Scroger said she noticed a decrease in attendance this year, with less student activities held at the school this summer. Scroger said the busiest days were Tuesdays and Wednesdays when the summer recreation program was in session. On average, 379 meals were served each week. Lunches proved more popular than breakfasts, with a total of 1,659 lunches served versus 1,378 breakfasts at the end of eight weeks of summer meals.

Middle School/High School (MS/HS) UPDATE

It is hard to believe that the summer is over, and we are ready for another school year. It really seemed like the summer flew by. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to an exciting new year.

Back to School night is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 5 from 5:30-7 p.m. Locker assignments will be given out at that time. Please bring your completed emergency form with you to obtain your locker assignment. If you do not bring it with you, we will ask you to complete one that evening. Students and parents are welcome to explore the school, find their classes, meet their teachers and put their school supplies in their lockers. A packet of information, including students' schedules, was sent out the week of Aug. 21; please contact the school if you have not yet received this information.

We are looking forward to an exciting school year. Several teachers worked on the curriculum this summer and are eager to share their work with students. The first day of school for students is Sept. 6. First period begins at 7:30 a.m. and period 9 ends at 2:24 p.m.

On the first day of school, students will attend every class. Students will also attend an assembly by motivational speaker Zach Gowen, who will share his unique story of tragedy and triumph. He will inspire and empower our students, as he has done for thousands of students across the country. We look forward to hearing his message and focusing on positive choices and personal responsibility throughout the school year.

The code of conduct and attendance policy have been revised, and they are posted on the district website (www.holleycsd.org). Attendance and punctuality in school continues to be stressed, beginning on the very first day. Please make sure that your students are in school each day and arrive with time to get to their first period class. Students' attendance in school directly impacts students' achievements.

The cell phone and electronic policy are staying the same at the MS/HS. Students will clearly see when it is OK and when it is not OK to use cell phones and electronics by a red, yellow and green light policy. Red symbolizes no use, yellow symbolizes use with teacher permission and green means free to use.

Respect, Responsibility and Safety will continue as a common theme this school year throughout the district. It is our expectation that our entire school community respect themselves and others. For all of us to be safe, you must be responsible and accept the responsibility that is given to you. In our ever-changing world, people who possess and understand those qualities will be ready to take on daily challenges, while also being productive citizens in their communities.

Regular communication is always encouraged. It is important for you to have open communication with all members of the school community. Please do not hesitate to contact teachers, staff and administration with any questions, comments or suggestions. Please utilize the district website to obtain the most updated information regarding school and the programs available.

Please make sure that you utilize our student management system, SchoolTool. If you have registered in the past, your account is still active. If you have not used the system before, please register for access to your student's grades, schedule, attendance and discipline information. Our interim reports are not mailed home, but they are available on SchoolTool. Visit the district website for more information.

It is my hope that all students, parents and community members take pride in their entire school program. Best wishes for a productive and enjoyable school year.

Susan R. Cory
Middle School/High School Principal

Some support programs that are still in place for the MS/HS students this year:

Homework Lab

This is supervised by a staff member and provides students with a quiet place to complete homework assignments before going home. The homework lab is open Monday through Thursday each week from 2:30-3:05 p.m. in the library. Students have access to computers and resources while completing their work. This is a good place to complete homework, read, conduct research, utilize computers, etc. Students who want to stay without doing homework will have their grades checked on SchoolTool daily; students failing a subject need to complete their work before using library resources.

We will not be providing a 5 p.m. bus this year.

Free Afterschool Snack

All students in the district will continue to receive a free, healthy afterschool snack every day. Free afterschool snacks are available in the MS/HS Dining Hall. Other snack options continue to be available for purchase in the Dining Hall. We encourage all students to stop in for a snack before they board their afternoon busses or when staying afterschool for extracurricular activities or additional academic support.

We hope you will take advantage of these programs!



Holley Athletes Had a BLAST This Summer

The BLAST program (Biomechanical Learning And Stability Training) returned to Holley MS/HS this summer to help student athletes in grades 7-12 stay conditioned for sports. Jodi Wiborg, Holley's Athletic Trainer from LeRoy Physical Therapy & Village Fitness, led the free hour and a half sessions, held three times a week for five weeks. Students worked on their speed, footwork, core strength, flexibility, balance, power moves and lifts, muscular strength and endurance. They completed workouts on the track or in the multipurpose room at the MS/HS. Each session ended with 30 minutes of games, such as tag or kickball. The workouts became more challenging as the summer session progressed.

Wiborg said that Holley had lower attendance rates this year, with most sessions averaging about a dozen students. She had a higher percentage of middle school athletes participate this year. Many of the athletes participating in the BLAST program are cheerleaders, or soccer or volleyball players. This free summer session for Holley students was offered as part of the district's Athletic Training contract with LeRoy Physical Therapy.



Family Fitness Center Reopens

The Family Fitness Center will reopen during the week of Sept. 11. Days of operation continue to be Monday through Thursday, from 5:30-8 p.m. The center is open to district residents age 10 and older. Any elementary student, age 10 or older, must have a parent/guardian present with them while using the center. At this time, the Family Fitness Center is scheduled to remain open until May 31, 2018.

Returning and new fitness center users must sign a waiver form each year before using the center. There is a supervisor on staff to show you around the center and explain the proper use of the equipment. Any questions, please call Connie Nenni at 638-6316, extension 2003. We look forward to seeing the center continue to be used regularly by both returning and new fitness enthusiasts.

Elementary School (ES) UPDATE

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope everyone was able to relax and enjoy the summer break. Tim Artessa and I are very excited to start the school year and look forward to the first day!

Holley ES has worked hard to be a bully-free and safe place to learn. We will continue to implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) in all areas of the school environment because we believe that by creating and maintaining a safe and supportive school environment, we will pave the way for increased academic success. At school, **Respect, Responsibility and Safety** are the words students will see and hear. There will be many opportunities throughout the school year for parents to participate in and support student learning. The very first opportunity will be to help prepare your child for a positive start to the school year by sharing your learning and behavioral expectations with them.

Back to School Night: We are welcoming many new staff members to the building; please join us for Back to School Night so you have a chance to meet everyone! You will also have time to tour the updated building and view our new playgrounds! I am sure you will love the bright and colorful additions to our facility. As we did last year, Back to School Night will start with a 20-minute pep assembly in the Intermediate Gym. We can't wait to celebrate the return of our students and families!

2017-18 School Year Start Times: We will have a new start time at the ES. The first bell will ring at **8:40 a.m.** The second bell will ring at **8:45 a.m.**, with the Pledge of Allegiance and announcements immediately following it. This will **not** change any bus pick up times or breakfast times. Our students are already in the building at the new start times, and many are held on the busses until the bell rings. This will simply start our class and instruction time earlier, since students are already in the building.

New Report Cards: The ES has been engaged in a two-year review of our grading systems and practices. We will be transitioning to a new standards-based report card in the 2017-18 school year. Because of this shift in instruction and assessment, you may be hearing teachers and students using new terms like "learning target," "I Can statements," "benchmark assessments" and "mastery." These terms are used regularly in our school and classrooms.

Learning targets are the foundation of our instruction and assessments. They align to the New York State standards and are often worded as "I Can" statements. An example from first grade is "I can count to 120 starting at any number." The "I Can" statement helps children know exactly what their goals are and how they will be measured for mastery.

Benchmark assessments and progress monitoring are opportunities for teachers to measure student skills. This information helps determine where additional instruction is needed, and where students have developed mastery and are ready to move on. You may have started to see some changes in

how your child's work was assessed last year. It is not as simple as a percentage or grade. Many of our assessments are being scored using a four-point scale with the following ratings:

- 4 - Exceeding New York State and District Standards
- 3 - Meeting New York State and District Standards
- 2 - Working toward New York State and District Standards
- 1 - Not Meeting New York State and District Standards

You will see much more of this next year.

As I shared during the last school year, part of the transition to standards-based report cards includes revision of our Interim Report system and schedule. You will no longer be receiving traditional interim reports. In November, the new report cards will be handed out at Parent/Teacher conferences so everyone has an opportunity to have them explained.

We are very excited to be making this grading and reporting change. The new report cards and benchmark/progress reporting will clearly share growth and mastery as well as specific skills your child is working on. It will improve communication with parents by more clearly reporting academic topics and learning standards at each grade level. This change is an adjustment in thinking for everyone, but it will become more familiar over time.

You can continue to access your child's assignments through the SchoolTool Parent Portal at any time throughout the year.

Here are a few events to add to your family calendar as you prepare to return to school on Sept. 6:

- **Tuesday, Sept. 5,** 5:30-7 p.m. - Back-to-School Night (starts with a 20 min. pep assembly in the gym)! Come and visit your new teachers and classrooms!
- **Wednesday, Sept. 6** – First day of school for grades 1-12
- **Wednesday, Sept. 6** – Kindergarten Orientation
 - o A.M. Session: 9-11 a.m.
 - o P.M. Session: 1-3 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Sept. 6** – Pre-K Orientation (held in your child's classroom)
 - o A.M. Session: 9:30-10:30 a.m.
 - o P.M. Session: 1:30-2:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, Sept. 7** – First day of school for Pre-K and Kindergarten students

The following important documents can be obtained through the district website www.holleycsd.org/documents.cfm Code of Conduct, Attendance Policy, District Calendar, Free and Reduced Meal Application, Parent Handbook, and SchoolTool Parent Access Letter.

I look forward to Back-to-School Night and the first day of school!

Karri D. Schiavone
Elementary School Principal

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Please keep these important district event dates in mind this year:

Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017 – Community Flu Clinic, ES Café, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017 – Veterans Day Assembly, ES Intermediate Gym, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 7, 2017 – MS/HS Winter Concert, HS Aud, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2017 – ES Winter Concert, HS Aud, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 – All County Performance at Kendall CSD, 2 p.m.

Saturday, March 3, 2018 – All County Performance at Albion CSD, 2 p.m.

Friday, March 9, 2018 – MS/HS Musical, HS Aud, 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 10, 2018 – MS/HS Musical, HS Aud, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 15, 2018 – District Choral Concert, HS Aud, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 – District Band Concert, HS Aud, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 1, 2018 – Annual Board of Education Meeting, District Office Board Room, 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 3, 2018 – Senior Citizen Breakfast, ES Café, 9 a.m.

Tuesday, May 15, 2018 – Budget Vote & Board Member Election, MS/HS Foyer, 6 a.m.-9 p.m.

Tuesday, May 15, 2018 – ES Spring Concert, HS Aud, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 24, 2018 – MS/HS Spring Concert, HS Aud, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 25, 2018 – Memorial Day Assembly, ES Intermediate Gym, 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 14, 2018 – Flag Day Parade, Village Depot, 9:30 a.m.

For athletic events, please visit www.holleycsd.org/athletics.cfm?subpage=45131 for a full schedule, as these dates and times may change.

Girls on the Run Program for Fall 2017

Online registration (www.gotrbuffalo.org/Register-Now) opened in August for the fall session of Girls on the Run (GOTR) at Holley Elementary. This is the seventh season the district has hosted this program.

GOTR is a national organization that is curriculum based to build self-esteem and confidence in girls while encouraging physical activity. The 10-week program is in a team-like setting with 15 girls and two coaches. Holley's team will be coached by Lynn Vendetti and Hannah Bock. At the end of the 10-week program, the girls will have completed their training to run a 5k race in November. The race will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. in Delaware Park in Buffalo.

Female students in grades 3-6 are eligible to join this program. The group fills once there are 15 registrants. Practices will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-5 p.m. on the days school is in session. This year's season begins on Sept. 11 and ends on Nov. 10.

Girls will receive a healthy snack at each session, running shoes from Payless and an official GOTR of Buffalo T-shirt. Their 5k race registration is also included with their enrollment in the program. There is no cost to Holley students to enroll in the GOTR program this year.

Visit the GOTR official site for more information on this program (www.gotrbuffalo.org/Our-Programs).

Plan Your Family Vacations Around These Important Dates



Make sure your child doesn't miss out on critical instructional time when planning your next family vacation. Here are some important dates to keep in mind.

Monday, Sept. 4, 2017 – Labor Day, No School

Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017 – Staff Development Day, No School

Friday, Oct. 6, 2017 – Staff Development Day (MSHS dismissed at 10:33 a.m., Elem dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

Monday, Oct. 9, 2017 – Columbus Day, No School

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2017 – Staff Development Day, No School

Friday, Nov. 10, 2017 – Veterans Day, No School

Wednesday - Friday, Nov. 22-24, 2017 – Thanksgiving Recess

Friday, Dec. 1, 2017 – Staff Development Day (MSHS dismissed at 10:33 a.m., Elem dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

Monday, Dec. 25, 2017 - Monday, Jan. 1, 2018 – Holiday Recess

Monday, Jan. 15, 2018 – MLK Day, No School

Monday - Friday, Jan. 22-26, 2018 – Midterm & Regents Exams – MS/HS students report only if they have exams

Friday, Jan. 26, 2018 – Staff Development Day (Elem dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

Monday - Friday, Feb. 19-23, 2018 – Mid-Winter Recess

Friday, March 16, 2018 – Staff Development Day, (MSHS dismissed at 10:33 a.m., Elem dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

Friday - Friday, March 30-April 6, 2018 – Spring Recess

Wednesday - Friday, April 11-13, 2018 – Grades 3-8 English Language Arts Testing

Friday, April 27, 2018 – Staff Development Day, No School

Tuesday - Thursday, May 1-3, 2018 – Grades 3-8 Mathematics Testing

Wednesday, May 23, 2018 – Grade 8 Science Performance Testing

Wednesday, May 23, 2018 – Half-day for Elementary Students (dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

Thursday, May 24, 2018 – Grade 4 Science Performance Testing

Monday, May 28, 2018 – Memorial Day, No School

Friday, June 1, 2018 – Half-day for Elementary Students (dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

Monday, June 4, 2018 – Grades 4 & 8 Science Written Testing

Tuesday, June 5, 2018 – Regents Exams - MS/HS students report only if they have exams

Friday, June 8, 2018 - Half-day for Elementary Students (dismissed at 11:30 a.m.)

Tuesday - Thursday, June 12-21, 2018 – Regents & Final Exams – MS/HS students report only if they have exams

Thursday, June 21, 2018 – Last Day of School for Students

Saturday, June 23, 2018 – Commencement

School Tax Payments

The Holley Central School District is using M&T Bank - Brockport branch as the designated bank for tax collection for the 2017-18 school year. You may visit the Brockport branch or mail your tax payment to the address at right. Due to new government regulations, cash payments will only be accepted from customers of M&T Bank. All other payments must be in the form of a check or money order. Debit or credit cards will not be accepted. Make checks payable to Holley Central School District. Please attach the payment coupon to your payment.

Payment addresses:

In Person:

M&T Bank,
6560 Fourth Section Road,
Brockport, NY 14420

By Mail:

Holley Central School District,
P.O. Box 824,
Buffalo, NY 14240

How We Communicate with Parents and Residents

The Holley Central School district has a variety of communications tools we use to communicate with parents and residents on a regular basis. Here's an overview of the tools we rely on to share important information.

- **Connect-Ed** – this electronic messaging system is how we tell you about breaking news that is urgent in nature and may require your immediate attention. For this reason, it is important that we have your current phone number and/or email address. If your number or address has changed or if you haven't provided this information previously, please be sure to do so now. Simply call your child's school and tell us your current number and address.
- **SchoolTool** – this is our student management system which allows parents to see student information online, including student schedules, attendance, interim and report card grades, discipline information, and more. If you have not already registered with SchoolTool, do so today at www.holleycsd.org/SchoolTool. You will find a sign-up form on the website that you will need to complete and return to your child's school. You only need to register once to have access to this secure online system. If you have registered in the past and your email address remains the same, no further action is required; you still have access to this site.
- **Website** – the district website (www.holleycsd.org) is a comprehensive and continually updated resource for parents and residents alike. Refer to it often for everything from Board of Education meeting minutes to school lunch menus, athletic schedules, homework assignments, news and more. We also employ social media on our website, so be sure to "like" us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/Holley-Central-School-District-332907976725723/) and follow us on Twitter. There are three Twitter handles to follow:
 - District: [@HolleyCSD](https://twitter.com/HolleyCSD)
 - Elementary School: [@HolleyElem](https://twitter.com/HolleyElem)
 - Middle School/High School: [@Holley_MS_HS](https://twitter.com/Holley_MS_HS)
- **Electronic Bulletin Board** – our electronic bulletin board in front of the Elementary School enables us to share timely news with you in a more immediate way. Messages on this board will change regularly, so become accustomed to reading the board as you pass the school to know what's going on inside our district.
- **District Newsletter** – throughout the school year, we publish a district-wide newsletter on a monthly basis so you can see what has happened and what's ahead. As a cost saving measure, we post this newsletter online at www.holleycsd.org (see "Quick Links" on the left for "Dimension Newsletters"). A limited quantity of newsletters are printed and available at shops and businesses around town.
- **District Calendar** – The 2017-18 Holley Central School District calendar is now complete and posted online. To view or download the calendar, visit our website at www.holleycsd.org and click on the "Calendars" tab at the top, then select "District Calendar." This calendar will be updated throughout the year to include new events or changes in locations, times and dates. Please check the calendar regularly and use our sorting feature to customize your calendar view.
- **Local News Media** – we regularly share our news with local news publications including the Suburban News, Batavia Daily News and Orleans Hub.
- **Parent Handbook** – parent handbooks have been updated and are available online at www.holleycsd.org.

Scholarships

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc. Scholarship

Scholarship value is \$6,000-25,000. Students must have significant financial need and have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity. Applicants must be a high school graduate in spring/summer, demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income), and be a U.S. citizen. Applications are found online at scholars.horatioalger.org. The deadline is **Oct. 25, 2017**.

Hexter & Baines Scholarship

Hexter & Baines is offering a \$1,250 scholarship to high school juniors and seniors, and students registered for post-secondary institutions. To apply, write a 500-1,000 word essay about your academic and career goals, plans for achieving them and why you need financial assistance. For more information, visit www.hexterandbaines.com/scholarship. Deadline is **December 15, 2017**.



Free and reduced price meal applications accepted throughout the school year

Parents/guardians needing assistance paying for their child's meals are encouraged to complete an application for free and reduced price meals. The application can be found online at www.holleycsd.org (select "Food Service" from the "Departments" tab). The applications were included in the summer mailings sent home. Extra copies are also available in the District Office.

Parents/guardians can file an application with the District Office at any time during the school year. Approved benefits are effective for the entire school year. This information remains **confidential** and children are not identified as receiving free or reduced lunches as they progress through the cafeteria line to checkout.

Administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the New Yorks State Education Department, the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program provide

meals in schools that meet federal nutritional guidelines. Schools receive reimbursement for meal-related costs for each meal served through the programs.

For the 2017-18 school year, Holley student lunches will be \$1.90 at the Elementary School and \$2.05 at the Middle School/High School, and breakfast will be \$1.20 at both schools.

Parents can easily keep track of their children's food purchases and add money to their accounts by signing up for mySchoolBucks, a secure online prepayment service. Visit <http://www.holleycsd.org/mySchoolBucks> for more information. Remember that students are not able to charge any portion of their meal selections. Students without payment will be given a sandwich, fruit and milk.



5-Hour Pre-Licensing Course Dates

Holley offers the 5-hour pre-licensing course through the HLSJ Driving Academy, Ltd. Students who register to take the course must already have their driver's permit. The cost of the class is \$35 and checks may be made payable to HLSJ Driving Academy. Students must register with the Guidance Office or online at hlsjdriving.com/signup.php. The course is taught in the Holley HS/MS Dining Hall from 3:30-8:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- Sept. 12, 2017
- Oct. 17, 2017
- Nov. 14, 2017
- Dec. 5, 2017
- Jan. 16, 2018
- Feb. 13, 2018
- March 13, 2018
- April 10, 2018
- May 8, 2018
- June 5, 2018

Students must bring a writing utensil to class

School Bus Safety Reminders

Did you know that an estimated 50,000 motor vehicles illegally pass New York State school buses every day? Don't become one of them! In New York State, it is illegal to pass a bus when its red lights are flashing. When drivers see the red lights flashing, they must come to a complete stop at least 20 feet away from the bus so that the bus driver can pick up or discharge students. This rule applies even when a bus has its red lights flashing in a parking lot, on school grounds, on a multi-lane highway or on the opposite side of a divided highway. Drivers must stop, whether they are approaching the bus from the front or the rear. When the red lights stop flashing or when the bus driver signals, drivers may resume driving. Drivers must yield to flashing yellow lights on a bus, slow down and be prepared to stop.

Penalties for passing a school bus involve fines, points added to your license and possible jail time. Refer to the table below.

By Conviction	Minimum Fine	Maximum Fine	Possible Imprisonment
First conviction	\$250	\$400	Up to 30 days
Second conviction (within 3 years)	\$600	\$750	Up to 180 days
Third or subsequent conviction (within 3 years)	\$750	\$1,000	Up to 180 days

For more information, visit www.safeny.ny.gov/opsafstp.htm.

Holley Sports Boosters

Holley Sports Boosters welcomes parents/guardians, grandparents, teachers, coaches, students and anyone interested in seeing what we're about to join us, get involved, and help improve our sports programs and community. We realize everyone's time is valuable. Any amount of time you're able to give is a big help and greatly appreciated. If you're not interested in becoming a member just yet, there are still ways to help. Come and see what we're all about!

Call for more information: President - Sal DeLuca at 585-259-7358 or Vice President - Mike Sander at 585-301-3853.

Meetings are monthly on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the MS/HS Library, unless otherwise indicated in the list below, for 2017-18:

- Sunday, Sept. 10 at 6 p.m. at the Woodlands
- Tuesday, Oct. 3
- Nov. 6
- Dec. 4
- Tuesday, Jan. 2
- Feb. 5
- March 5
- April 9
- May 7
- June 4

Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/HolleySportsBoosters.

Join the Holley PTSA

The Holley PTSA is focused on giving students a voice, supporting learning and celebrating success. This organization and its volunteers coordinate a number of programs and special events annually, ranging from the Pick A Reading Partner (PARP) program to the popular Santa's Shop at holiday time. Volunteer opportunities are plentiful, so attend a PTSA meeting and learn more. Meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. in the Elementary School Room 49. All are welcome.

PTSA Officers and members currently include:

- Alexa Downey and Jennifer Morgan, Co-Presidents
- Donna Moore, Treasurer
- Carm Miller, Secretary
- Amy Bennage, Membership
- Karen Quaranto, Fundraising
- Jennifer Morgan, Publicity
- Vickie Scroger, Hospitality
- Lisa Hendry, PARP
- Jennifer Morgan & Alexa Downey, Liaisons to High School
- Karri Schiavone, Elementary School Principal (kschiavone@holleycsd.org)
- Sue Cory, Middle School/High School Principal (scory@holleycsd.org)

There will be a PTSA membership drive in October. Membership is \$9 per family to join. Membership fees help support events like field trips, Homecoming float prizes, Elementary Theatre Guild productions, PARP, senior scholarships, senior breakfast/picnic, Flag Day popsicles, Arts in Education activities, end of year celebrations and many more. Membership forms can be found on the website at www.holleycsd.org/files/filesystem/holley_ptsa_membership_form.doc.

Homecoming Events

After working with the Middle School and High School Student Councils and class advisors, we are changing the format of Homecoming events this year. Be on the lookout for more information on events as the dates grow closer. Some events already planned are:

- Thursday, Sept. 21 – Parade
- Friday, Sept. 22 – Pep Assembly at 12:50 p.m. in the MS/HS Gym
- Friday, Sept. 22 and Saturday, Sept. 23 – Homecoming Games – visit www.holleycsd.org/athletics.cfm?subpage=45131 to see the full schedule



Come out and show your Holley spirit as we remain Holley Strong for another year!

College Preparation News from the MS/HS Counseling Office

There are some important college events happening this month and next. College-bound high school juniors and seniors are encouraged to attend the events below. Save these dates as well as the following PSAT, SAT and ACT exam and registration dates.

Upcoming College Fairs:		
Rochester College Night at the Marketplace Mall	Sept. 27	6:30-8 p.m.
Rochester College Night at the Greece Ridge Mall	Sept. 28	6:30-8 p.m.
Holley MS/HS College Expo	Oct. 2	6th Period

PSAT:

What:	Practice SAT (college entrance exam)
Why:	The PSAT is the National Merit Scholarship qualifier and practice for the SAT
Who:	All juniors who think they might want to go to college
When:	Oct. 14, 7:45 a.m.-noon
Where:	Holley MS/HS
Fee:	\$16 cash or check made payable to Holley Central School
To register:	Contact Andrew Ruff in the Counseling Office

SAT:

Exam Dates	Regular Deadline	Late Registration Deadline - Paper	Late Registration Deadline - Online/Phone
Oct. 7, 2017	Sept. 8, 2017	Sept. 19, 2017	Sept. 27, 2017
Nov. 4, 2017	Oct. 5, 2017	Oct. 17, 2017	Oct. 25, 2017
Dec. 2, 2017	Nov. 2, 2017	Nov. 14, 2017	Nov. 21, 2017
March 10, 2018	Feb. 9, 2018	Feb. 20, 2018	Feb. 28, 2018
May 5, 2018	April 6, 2018	April 17, 2018	April 25, 2018
June 2, 2018	May 3, 2018	May 15, 2018	May 23, 2018

Fees: with essay \$60, without essay \$46 • Late registration - additional fee \$29

Registration packets are available in the Counseling Office or students can register online at www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/reg.html. Holley CEEB CODE: 332-415.

ACT:

Exam Dates	Regular Deadline	Late Registration
Oct. 28, 2017	Sept. 22, 2017	Sept. 23-Oct 6th, 2017
Dec. 9, 2017	Nov. 3, 2017	Nov. 4-17, 2017
April 14, 2018	March 9, 2018	March 10-23, 2018
June 9, 2018	May 4, 2018	May 5-18, 2018

Fees: with writing \$62.50, without writing \$46 • Late registration - additional fee \$29.50

Registration packets are available in the Counseling Office or students can register online at www.actstudent.org/regist/. Holley CEEB CODE: 332415.

If students need a fee waiver for either exam, they should contact their guidance counselor.

NCAA Division I and II Sports

If you are interested in playing college sports at Division I or II schools, you must register for the NCAA Clearinghouse at www.ncaa.org/student-athletes.

Save the Date: Financial Aid Night

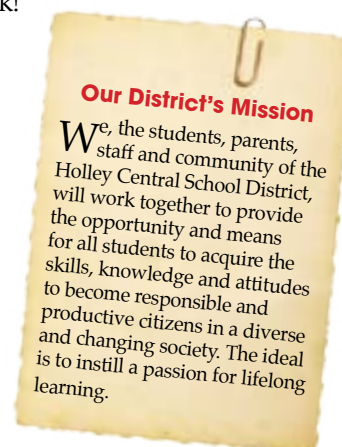
Joe Bailey, Director of Financial Aid from Genesee Community College, will be conducting a presentation about the FAFSA on Oct. 23 from 5-6 p.m. at the MS/HS. **Please make every effort to attend and bring your parents/guardians!**

Financial Aid

The FAFSA is now open to submit your financial information online. Please register for an account at www.fafsa.ed.gov and complete the FAFSA online. Any questions, please contact FAFSA directly by calling 1-800-433-3243. The TDD phone number for hearing-impaired individuals is 1-800-730-8913. To apply for any need-based aid or federal loan programs, your parents will need to file a FAFSA form between Oct. 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018.

Scholarships

Visit the Scholarships page on the Holley website: www.holleycsd.org/scholarships/ Listen for scholarship announcements and drop by the Counseling Office for information starting in mid-December. Also, consider visiting www.fastweb.com for national scholarship searches. Don't wait until March or April – you might be out of luck!



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SEPTEMBER 2017

- 4 **Labor Day - No School**
- 5 Staff Development - No School for Students
Back to School Night ES & MS/HS 5:30-7 p.m.
PTSA Membership Drive
- 6 First Day of School - Grades 1-12
Kindergarten Orientation
 - A.M. Session: 9-11 a.m.
 - P.M. Session: 1-3 p.m.Pre-K Orientation
 - A.M. Session: 9:30-10:30 a.m.
 - P.M. Session: 1:30-2:30 p.m.
- 6-23 PTSA Fundraiser - Entertainment Books
- 7 First full day Pre-K & Kindergarten
PTSA Boo Hoo/Yahoo Breakfast for parents of Pre-K/kindergarteners, ES Café, 8:30 a.m.
- 13 PTSA Meeting, ES Rm. 49, 5 p.m.
- 18 Board of Education, District Office, 6 p.m.
- 21 Homecoming Parade
- 22-23 Homecoming Weekend
- 26 MS/HS Picture Day
- 27 College Night at Marketplace Mall, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 28 College Night at Greece Ridge Mall, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 29 Pre-K Grandparents' Tea, ES Café, 9:30 a.m.

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