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Holley Central School District | June 2015

Holley's Top 10 Graduating Seniors

Congratulations to the 2015 Top 10 Graduating Seniors.

Emily Radford

Weighted Average – 99.60, Valedictorian

Future Plans – Daemen College to pursue a Doctorate degree of Physical Therapy

Awards & Recognition – Elk Lodge Essay Contest State Competitor, DAR Good Citizen Award, Clarkson University Leadership Scholarship, Orleans County Youth Board Award and the Rochester Section of the American Chemical Society Chemistry Achievement Award

High School Activities – Captain of the cross country and track teams, Vice President of National Honor Society, member of Masterminds, and participated in indoor track

Parents – Gary & Krista Radford

Nicole Boyle

Weighted Average – 97.39, Salutatorian

Future Plans – University of Tampa to pursue a degree in Entrepreneurship

Awards & Recognition – Clarkson University Achievement Award; University of Tampa Dean's Scholarship; Highest Scholar Athlete for Winter 2012; Varsity Cheerleading Sportsmanship Award for three seasons; Varsity Cheerleading Scholar Athlete Award for five seasons; two-time Hawk Athlete of the Week; Genesee Region Cheerleading Champion 2010, 2011, 2012 & 2014; Ronald McDonald All-Star Cheerleader 2015; and first place in the American Legion Oratorical Competition

High School Activities – President of the Freshman class, President of National Junior Honor Society, President of National Honor Society, Junior and Senior editor of the yearbook, fall and winter Varsity Cheerleader since seventh grade, scorekeeper for the Varsity Baseball team and member of Concert Choir. Nicole has also been a dancer at Lisa's Dance Boutique for the past 15 years.

Parents – Mike & Michele Yargeau

Jessica Skehan

Weighted Average – 97.04

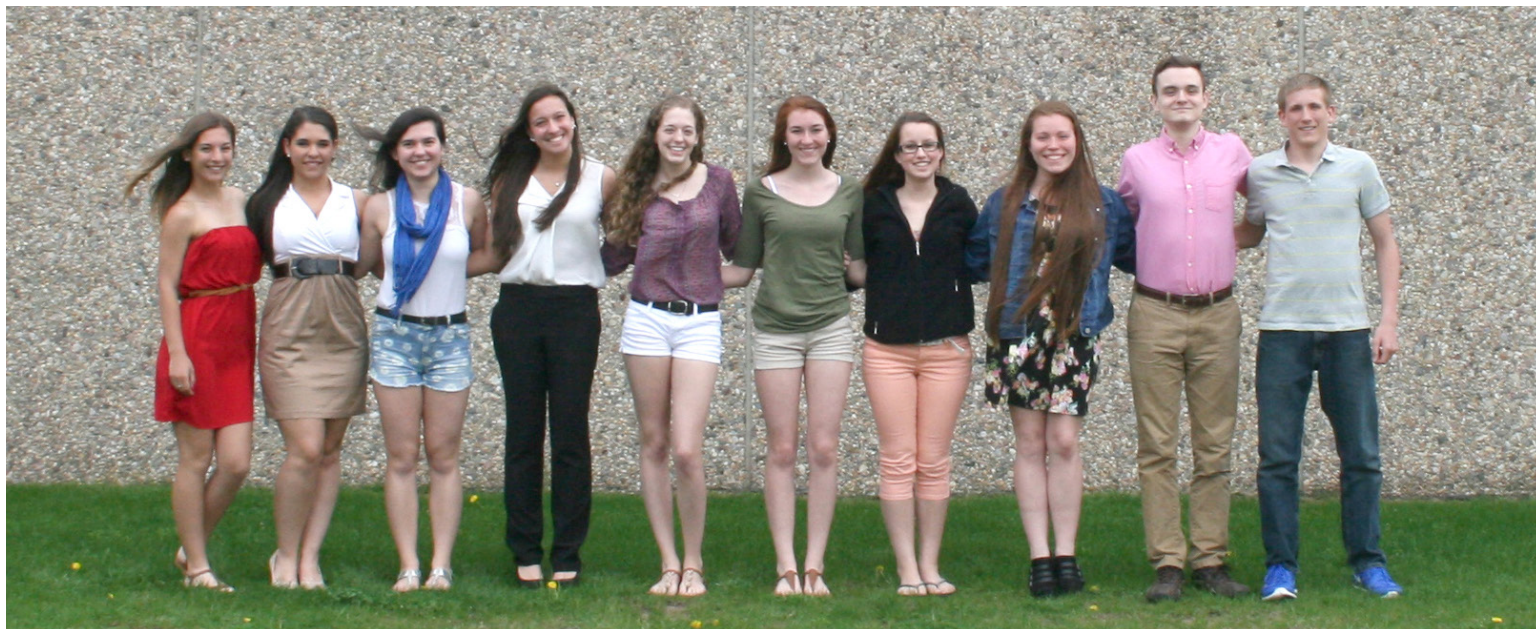
Future Plans – Genesee Community College, an internship at Walt Disney World and transfer to a four-year school to finish her degree in Studio Art

Awards & Recognition – Scholar Athlete, Overall Scholar Athlete for winter sports, Sportsmanship Award, Rochester Chemical Society Award and Genesee Community College Presidential Scholarship

High School Activities – Varsity Volleyball, Varsity Basketball Cheerleading, Secretary of National Honor Society, musical, Chorus President, Concert Choir, Woman's Choir and Masterminds

Parents – Rod & Beth Skehan

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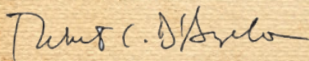


From left, Emily Radford, Nicole Boyle, Jessica Skehan, Taylor DeSimone, Leah Baker, Tessa McArthur, Mikayla Hargreaves, Jade Underwood, Cole Quiter and Andrew Rowley.

Superintendent's Message - Thank You Holley Voters

Dear Members of the Holley Central School District,

On behalf of the Board of Education, staff and students of our school district, I wish to thank you for your support of the 2015-16 school district budget. The school bus and community library propositions were also approved. In addition, Anne Winkley and Mark Porter were elected to three-year terms on the Board effective July 1 and Melissa Ierlan was elected to a three-year term as a write-in candidate. We congratulate each of them and look forward to working with them. In these challenging times, the Holley School District is very fortunate that district voters responded with their support of the school budget. At no other time in the district's history have we been in better shape. Now that our physical plant and grounds are in very good condition, we can continue our commitment to provide our students with the best classroom instruction so that each of them can excel academically. Once again, we thank you and look forward to working with you so that our district can achieve even greater success.



Robert C. D'Angelo
Superintendent of Schools

Holley Budget Passes and Three Board Members Elected

On May 19, district residents approved the 2015-16 budget by a vote of 372 in favor and 105 opposed. Both propositions passed - one for the purchase of buses with 333 votes in favor and 140 votes opposed and the other to support the Community Free Library with 378 votes in favor and 99 votes opposed.

Three members were elected to the Board of Education for three year terms: Anne Winkley (381 votes), Mark Porter (358 votes) and Melissa Ierlan (121 votes).

The District congratulates the members of the board on their election and thanks the voters for supporting our budget and propositions.

Sixth Graders Shadow Students in the MS/HS
In May, the sixth graders had a taste of what school will be like for them next fall at the MS/HS when they shadowed a seventh grader for the day. The seventh graders selected as shadows were chosen by their teachers based on their ability to model good behavior and complete class assignments. In addition to attending classes, the sixth grade students also experienced the newer features of the school, including its modern library, dining hall and school store. At the end of their shadow day, Sherry Bensley from GACASA gave the students a presentation about the dangers of drugs and alcohol and the effects of peer pressure. The students were given packets of information to take with them to review. This shadowing opportunity helps the sixth grade students transition more easily to the MS/HS in the fall. The shadow experience was coordinated by Kristina Tese, Melanie Montague, Wanda Farrell, Ashley Grillo, Karri Schiavone and Sue Cory. It was a wonderful experience for all involved and a successful program for the second year!

Take FREE College Classes with Genesee Promise Plus

Genesee Community College (GCC) Genesee Promise Plus is a special program for high school students graduating this June from a high school in Genesee, Livingston, Orleans and Wyoming counties. Under Genesee Promise Plus, students can receive a scholarship to cover the cost of tuition for one or two 2015 summer courses offered by GCC at any of its seven campus locations in Albion, Arcade, Batavia, Dansville, Lakeville, Medina or Warsaw. The application deadline is June 15. For more information, visit <http://www.genesee.edu/gcc/promise/>.

SAT/ACT for Juniors

If you haven't taken the SAT/ACT or would like to retake the exams, you are encouraged to sign up online or by mail. Registration forms are located in the Counseling Office. Many scholarships require scores as part of the selection process. The ACT website is www.actstudent.org. The SAT website is www.collegeboard.org.

Financial Aid for Seniors

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is still available to any family who has yet to apply. If you haven't applied, please do so soon to avoid missing out on funding from loans, grants or any other financial aid that is available to you. Please visit the website, www.fafsa.ed.gov, to file. Contact the financial aid office online for further assistance in completing the application. Worksheets are also available online to assist you in completing the online form. Do not mail the worksheets to the Financial Aid Center.

The Guidance Counselors at the MS/HS would like to extend our warmest congratulations to the Class of 2015 for a job well done! Best of luck to you and your future endeavors!

Kristina Tese and Andrew Ruff

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Holley's Top 10 Graduating Seniors

Taylor DeSimone

Weighted Average – 96.54

Future Plans – University of Buffalo for Biomedical Engineering

Awards & Recognition – Scholar Athlete for Soccer

High School Activities – National Honor Society, soccer, cheerleading, musical, dance, Concert Choir and Woman's Choir

Parents – Scott & Tina DeSimone

Leah Baker

Weighted Average – 95.29

Future Plans – Monroe Community College and transfer to Syracuse University for Nursing degree

Awards & Recognition – Chemistry Achievement Award, Certificate of Excellence in various subjects, High Honor Roll, Most Improved Cheerleader and Most Improved Softball Player

High School Activities – National Junior Honor Society, National Honor Society, Spanish Club, cheerleading, musical, soccer and chorus. She also participated in dance. Volunteered for blood drive, Field Days and Senior Citizen breakfast, and filled food baskets at the Community Center.

Parents – James Baker & Shari Pelusio

Tessa McArthur

Weighted Average – 94.47

Future Plans – St. John Fisher College to major in Biology with a path of Pre-Med, and continue on to medical school with the hopes of becoming a radiologist

Awards & Recognition – Most Improved Cheerleader and Most Valuable Player for Volleyball

High School Activities – National Junior Honor Society, National Honor Society, Varsity Basketball Cheerleading, Varsity Volleyball, Concert Choir and Woman's Choir

Parents – Scott & Dr. Susan McArthur

Mikayla Hargreaves

Weighted Average – 94.05, graduating a year early

Future Plans – Rochester Institute of Technology to pursue a bachelor's degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography and a minor in American Sign Language

Awards & Recognition – High Honor Roll

High School Activities – Coaching youth cheerleaders, National Junior Honor Society and National Honor Society

Parents – Melissa & Craig Hargreaves

Jade Underwood

Weighted Average – 93.60

Future Plans – Roberts Wesleyan College to pursue a medical degree

Awards & Recognition – Roberts Wesleyan Dean's Scholarship, Varsity Basketball Sportsmanship Award 2013 & 2015, Most Improved 2014, Varsity Track and Field Sportsmanship Award 2014, Most Promising 2013 and Kendall Basketball Tournament All-Star 2015

High School Activities – National Honor Society and a three-letter Varsity athlete in soccer, basketball, and track and field

Parents – Joel & Margie Underwood

Cole Quiter

Weighted Average – 93.25

Future Plans – Genesee Community College, majoring in Communications and Media Arts, and pursue a Bachelor's degree at Ithaca College

High School Activities – Band, Marching Band, Concert Choir, lead roles in musicals, National Honor Society, Masterminds and announcer for daily announcements and sporting events

Parents – Chris & Heidi Quiter

Andrew Rowley

Weighted Average – 92.05

Future Plans – Genesee Community College

Awards & Recognition – High Honor Roll, University of Rochester Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, and voted "Most Likely to Succeed" by his class

High School Activities – National Honor Society, Captain of Football and Track and Field teams, wrestling, Band, Marching Band and Concert Choir

Parents – John & Donna Rowley

College Acceptances

We are pleased to announce that Taylor DeSimone and Lucas Silvis were accepted to Syracuse University. Jackie Feliciano was accepted to Hudson Valley Community College and Bailey Papaj was accepted to Genesee Community College. Samantha Barniak has been chosen by Roberts Wesleyan College as one of five students to play soccer in Italy.



Congratulations!



Spanish Students Visit New York City

by Tammy Menzie, Spanish Teacher

A group of 46 participants left bright and early Friday, April 10 for a three-day New York City cultural tour. Highlights of the trip included: shopping, watching a performance of "Jersey Boys" on Broadway, learning to salsa dance, touring Radio City Music Hall and visiting Times Square, Rockefeller Center, Central Park, the Empire State Building, the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, and the Museum of Natural History. It was a very busy few days, but we were happy to provide this experience to our students and their families. Our tour guide, Michael, told us that he found our students to be fun and refreshing to be around. He said their inquisitive nature kept him sharp and that their positive energy was infectious. He thought our students were fantastic ambassadors for Holley High School, and Sue Cory, Kathy Monks and I could not agree more. We would also like to thank the parents that joined us and helped out. Looking forward to another trip in the future!



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Lindsey Allen, Kendra Quill and Lexi Milazzo at Liberty Island

PARP Assembly a Hit with Students

This year's Parents As Reading Partners (PARP) assembly to celebrate the end of the three-week reading program at Holley Elementary was full of energy. To support a Super Bowl theme, the MS/HS Cheerleading squad kicked off the celebration with some cheers and the Holley Football team was there to award high fives to the readers who were selected to take a limo ride to McDonald's for lunch in Brockport on May 13. The winners were: Shashona MacPhee, Allison Trowbridge, Kalen Brady, Broek Ostrom, Jesse Crawford, Elise Quincey, Isabella Thom, Jasmine Apicella, Julia Robinson, Madilyn Beachner, Carissa Klossner, Chloe Onofreychuk, Mallory Davis and Addison Probst.



Hawk News Network newscasters, from left, Nathan Nothnagle, Andrew Drechsel, Evan Valentine, Allyson Skehan and Alexa Downey

The winners of the scavenger hunt were also announced, with each receiving a gift certificate to Lift Bridge Book Shop in Brockport. They were Leila Stonewell (Pre-K-first grade), Juliana Thomas (second-third grade) and Caleb Schultz (fourth-sixth grade). Students at each grade level participated in a scavenger hunt for words by donating at least \$0.25 for a clue sheet and searching around the Elementary School for words to complete a quote about reading. Each student who completed the quote received a free ice cream from the cafeteria. The scavenger hunt raised over \$65 for the Community Free Library "Raise the Roof" fund that the Elementary Student Council has been sponsoring all year. To date, \$1,424.21 has been donated to this fund from elementary school students and their supporters.

The Hawk News Network newscasters, Allyson Skehan, Evan Valentine, Andrew Drechsel and Nathan Nothnagle were there, too, broadcasting from the assembly. With the assistance of their advisor, Alexa Downey, they conducted interviews with Varsity Cheerleading Captain Nicole Boyle and Football Coach Wil Prince.

The assembly ended with the Flash Mob Dance group's performance of "Uptown Funk."

The PARP program is sponsored by the Holley PTSA. They are looking for new members and new ideas. They can be contacted at holleycsdptsa@gmail.com.

Elementary Students of the Month for *March*

Congratulations to the following students who were recognized as students of the month for March.



Pictured in front row, from left, Anthony Brown, Keira Warren, Alondra Mendez, Chase Kempa, Alivia Wolf, Camden Mosier and Loretta Sorochty. Second row, from left, Annalee Ham, Braden Read, Alex Diaz, Emmanuel Floyd and Shawn McAllister. Third row, from left, Brooke Cairns, Cavan Bennage, Brooke Boyko, Erin Kelly, Tia Hoffarth, Ilona Yaroshchuk and Zachary Warney. Back row, from left, Jordan Gates, Leah Rheinwald, Julia Buck, Sabrina Blosenhauer and Grace McKeon. Missing from photo: William Kruger, Lon Odle and Brenden Sargent.

Summer Access to Holley Elementary School



The majority of the Elementary School (ES) will not be accessible this summer while the Capital Project Phase III construction work is being done. This includes the Family Fitness Center. However, the ES Main Office will be open for most of the summer from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily.

Elementary summer school classes will be held at the MS/HS, along with a free breakfast and lunch program for students. More details to follow on this free meal program.

The athletic fields and playground will not be impacted by the construction and will be open for use. If you have any questions, please contact the ES Main Office at 638-6318, extension 2400.

Elementary Broadcast Students Visit WROC-TV

by Lisa Hendry, Hawk News Network Advisor

On Thursday, April 30, the students who participate in the Hawk News Network program went to WROC-TV News 8 in Rochester. They took part in a full station tour and they were able to look inside the newsroom, editing and production rooms. They were able to experience the "green screen" technology in the studio and watched the filming of the noon segment of the live, local news. They also were able to meet and talk to news anchor Mark Gruba and meteorologist Stacey Pensgen. This was an exciting day for our news crew and they were able to learn a lot about what it takes to produce a news broadcast.

Fourth grade newscasters, from left, Elizabeth Clark, Emma Downey, Sara Kingdollar, Elise Quincey, Ava Quincey, Andrew Thomas, Cameron Bates, Christopher Lyndaker and Joseph Silpoch



Flash Mob Dance at Holley Elementary

Under the leadership of Teacher Assistant Lori Passarell, Holley elementary students spent six weeks learning their flash mob dance moves to the song "Uptown Funk." This was one of the classes offered during the spring session of FIT4U!, which also incorporated lessons on nutrition. The students performed their flash mob dance for their families and friends at the Community Big Hoedown on May 1.

When asked if the students enjoyed learning the dance moves, Evan Press replied, "It's fun dancing and I like the music." Cameron Bates said, "It doesn't matter that we're the only boys (dancing)."



Front row, from left, Evan Press, Chris Lyndaker, Emma Downey, Samantha Bates, Emma Kingston, Cameron Bates and Dillon Penders. Back row, from left, Lori Passarell, Rachael Howard, Allyson Skehan, Erin DeFrank, Sara Kingdollar, Allison Lyndaker, Halee Passarell and Sophia Figura.



The students practice their flash mob dance routine with Lori Passarell



Eighth Graders Read to Kindergarteners

On Friday, April 24, the eighth graders invaded the kindergarten classrooms to read stories to the younger students. For half an hour, the floors and chairs of each room were covered with reading buddies enjoying books together. The kindergarteners wrote and colored pictures about what they had read with their buddies. It was hard to tell who enjoyed it more – the older kids or the younger ones!



John Mounts, on left, reads to Jaydon Efling



MacKenzie Tower, on left, reads to her sister, Parker Tower



Jake Peters, on left, reads while Ayden Rivas-Solis points out part of the story



Riley-Ann Moore, on left, listens to Lexianne Seewagen read her a story

Holley ES Announces Third Quarter Honor Rolls

The Elementary School has announced the honor roll and high honor roll for the third marking period for sixth grade. High honors are for all students who maintain a grade average of 89.5 percent or higher. Honors are for students who maintain a grade average of 84.5 to 89.4 percent. The following students received these honors.

HIGH HONOR ROLL

Karl Biedlingmaier, Sabrina Blosenhauer, Abigail Bubb, Anthony Cardenas, Kasey DeFrank, Andrew Drechsel, Rachael Howard, Erin Kelly, Allison Lyndaker, Kayleigh Neale, Nathan Nothnagle, Halee Passarell, Allyson Skehan, Hayley Skidmore, Madelyn St. John, Annalise Tinkous, Charles Turpyn, Callie Updike and Parker Walker.

HONOR ROLL

Austin Berns, Julia Buck, Zacharie Dann, Makayla Famoly, David Farruggia, Jayden Gibaud-Mastowski, Kiana Haughton, Ava Hayes, Brandi Heffernan, Brianna Heffernan, Elizabeth Kruger, Madison Lorenzo, Shashona MacPhee, Zachary McAllister, Alexandra Mendoza, Skyla Milazzo, Jazmin Mounts, Dawson Moy, Austin Ruggles, Michael Samons Jr., Estrella Sanchez, Michael Snell, Michael Stoll, Cody Thorne, Allison Trowbridge, Evan Valentine and Zachary Warney.

Our District's Mission

We, the students, parents, staff and community of the Holley Central School District, will work together to provide the opportunity and means for all students to acquire the skills, knowledge and attitudes to become responsible and productive citizens in a diverse and changing society. The ideal is to instill a passion for lifelong learning.

Student to Spend Junior Year in Austria Through Rotary Club Exchange Program

Claudia Drechsel, a sophomore at Holley MS/HS, will be spending her junior year in Retz, Austria beginning in August 2015. Drechsel learned about this program through the Holley Rotary Club and conversations with Holley Board of Education and Rotary Club member John Heise. She hopes to gain travel experience, along with a better understanding of another culture and herself from this year abroad.

Drechsel is ahead in her studies at Holley MS/HS, so she thought this would be a great opportunity to take time away to immerse herself in another culture. She was inspired by her aunt's time studying abroad when she was in high school. She said that many people who have studied abroad have found the experience helpful in deciding their career path. Drechsel is thinking of pursuing a career in agriculture business and putting her enjoyment of public speaking to good use.

Drechsel hopes to experience many things during her time in Austria. She would like to experience sports that are not offered in the U.S., travel by train, ski the Austrian Alps and visit Vienna and Salisbury. She will spend two weeks in a German language camp to learn the language before she starts school. Drechsel said that school operates differently in Austria. The students don't move from classroom to classroom; instead, they stay in one room while the teachers rotate in and out for each subject. She also said that sports are not part of the school system so she will have to register to participate in a community team.

Drechsel will also attend Rotary Club meetings in Austria and learn about how they function so she can bring that information back to the Holley Rotary Club. The Holley Rotary Club sponsors her trip and she will receive a monthly stipend to live on from her host club in Austria while she is overseas. The Rotary Club will also host an international student in Holley as part of the exchange.

Drechsel is scheduled to return to Holley in June 2016.

To prepare Drechsel for the international experience, the Holley Rotary Club sent her to Algonquin Park in Canada over February break to participate in a teambuilding program with international students. She said she learned a lot about teamwork through this experience. She was tasked with navigating the team through several miles of snowy woods to find a specific destination. "I had to trust other people," she said. "I learned I can't do it alone."

"It's not a year of your life, it's your life in one year" is a quote from a friend that sticks in Drechsel's mind when she thinks about her upcoming trip. She can't wait to begin her year in Austria and advises anyone who is thinking about participating in an exchange program to "just do it." She is happy to answer any questions about the process and can't wait to share her experiences when she returns to Holley. To be eligible for the program, a student must be 14-19 years old, complete a Rotary Club application, and participate in several interviews, including one with their family. The country they will visit is determined after their acceptance into the program.



Holley Announces Third Quarter Honor Roll for MS/HS

The Middle School/High School has announced the honor roll and high honor roll for the second marking period. High honors are for all students who maintain a grade average of 89.5 percent or higher. Honors are for students who maintain a grade average of 84.5 to 89.4 percent. The following students received these honors.

High Honor Roll

Seventh Grade: Sierra Apicella, Mikaela Auch, Megan Barrett, Ally Benson, Kamryn Berner, Autumn Bieber, Morgan Cary, Laura Ellsmore, Haleigh Falls, Damian Gamble, Megan Harrington, Sarah Harrington, Regan Hodge, Jade Hoffarth, Tyler Jones, Rachel Killian, Bradley Kingdollar, Carson Major, Janelle Miles, Kohl Morgan, Autumn Moy, Donald Prince, Olivia Radford, Victoria Rich, Gina Sauro, Halle Shepherd, Tyra Shepherd, Emilie Strayer, Cody Tanis, Rachael Vanelli, Emily Weezorak and Kristina Yaroshchuk.

Eighth Grade: Sebastian Bartholomew, Emily Bibby, Ethan Bibby, Grace Carey, Jocelyn Cervone, Jeremy Crandall, Megan Donohue, McKenzie Hill, Abrianna Kruger, William Lavender, Shawna Lusk, Madison Marsh, Hunter McLean, Ericka Mendoza, Gregory Morrill, Nicole Mrzywka, Cheyan Palmer, Lexianne Seewagen, Matthew Skehan, Julia Smith, Aaron Strathearn, Abigail Williams and Anastasiya Yaroshchuk.

Ninth Grade: Hannah Bailey, Jesse Beach, Patrick Bower, Briana Colucci, Matthew DeSimone, Nina DiLella, Brandon Dillenbeck, Allison Howard, Emma Kennedy, Alexander Lane, Hunter McMillion, Alexis Milazzo, Andrew Moseman, Madison Papaj, Michael Passarell, Andrea Payne, Kamryn Penna, Melody Purtell, Kendra Quill, Jessica Sedore, Dakota Thompson, Dalton Thurley, Nathan Towne, Anthony VanLogten and Hanna Waterman.

10th Grade: Lisa Alemu, Christopher Balys, Brooklynn Bartholomew, Hannah Biedlingmaier, Anna Brasted, Andie Carpenter, Andrew Cary, Brandon Cowan, Claudia Drechsel, Makenzie Ferranti, Megan Fribance, William Harrington, Megan Hatfield, Brianna Hecht, Emily Herzog, Derrick Hildreth II, Dylan Hillabush, Ashlyn Hotchkiss, Corinne Johnson, Rebecca Kinsey, Dillon Kuyal, Braxton Leary-Hart, Alice McAllister, Derek McArthur, Veronica Mendoza, Collin Nothnagle, Collin Papaj, Gaje Papponetti, Madeline Rowley, James Skehan, Nicholas Smith, Kayla Thrower, Melea Towsley, Spencer Tupis, Mika Vazquez-Pulcino, Diana Yaroshchuk and Jordan Zumbo.

11th Grade: Xander Apicella, Cameron Bennage, Vitalii Boichuk, Brittani Diaz, Flint DiLella, Trevor Farrow, Gillian Gallets, Rebecca Gay, Anne Jewell, Thomas Kelly, Melanie Klossner, Natalie Mrzywka, Kristen Nenni, Jared Scherer, Brittney Shattuck, Nicholas Shenck, Ricci Shenck, Nikki Siplo, Brady Smith, Mikala Smith, Sienna Steier, Richard Tamblin, Camron Thorn, Zachary Trask, Kailey Waterman and Ganna Yaroshchuk.

12th Grade: Leah Baker, Samantha Barniak, Cheyenne Bartlett, Jonathan Bower, Nicole Boyle, Joseph DeFelice, Taylor DeSimone, Hayley Diep, Ariel Frazer, Kayla Guck, Mikayla Hargreaves, Gunter Hotchkiss, Ethan Jutrowski, Tessa McArthur, Bailey Papaj, Zachary Peashey, Ian Penders, Nicholas Pifer, Joshua Porter, Cole Quiter, Emily Radford, Cassandra Rivera, Benjamin Ross, Andrew Rowley, Benjamin Scott, Adrianna Shepherd, Lucas Silvis, Jessica Skehan, Andrew Spsychalski, Dallas Starkweather, Jade Underwood, Brianna VanAmeron, Brian Wass and Thad Whittier Jr.

HONOR ROLL

Seventh Grade: Cheyenne Bell, Ashleigh Boyce, Tia Brien, Nicole Bull, Joshua Calus, Roberto Castillo, Alexis Clemons, Viktoria Emery, Brian Gay, Matthew Gemerek, Gianna Grathouse, Christa Jacobs, Melissa Kuhn, Nathaniel

Lonthair, David Mandigo, Ruth Miller, Ella Mohney, Callise Monk, Travis Mounts, Grant Moy, Jacob Norman, Ava Parr, Lidia Price, David Roe and Malachi Rowcliffe.

Eighth Grade: Garrett Farrow, Braden Ferranti, Sarah Klatt, Michael Klimchuk, John Mounts, Kory Puente, Peyton Sargent, MacKenzie Tower, Amanda Valerio, Zachery VanAmeron and David Wilson.

Ninth Grade: Paige Brimacomb, Diana Castillo, Jacob Downey, Alassia GianCursio, Delilah Grathouse, Kelsie Johnstone, Ava Kohut, Sierra Kuhn, Rachel Miconi, Alexis Penna, Jacob Vania, Sierra Verhagen, Angela Weaver, Kayla Wilson and Alexis Younes.

10th Grade: Bryce Baxter, Jaiya Blackwell, Kelsey Daniels, Julianna Drewry, Hannah Ellsmore, McKenna Hargreaves, McKenzie Hendrickson, Anthony Jones, Jason Kimmel, Jessica Mandigo, Dylan McKay, Helana McLean, Jennah McMillion, Katie Morgan, Alexander Mounts, Garrett Moy, Ryley O'Mara, Antonio Puente, Hayley Rowley, Bailey Schubmehl and Ethan Tupis.

11th Grade: Helen Alemu, Joshua Baker, Meghan Clark, Juliana Cuccaro, Brandon Donovan, Randi Gergely, John Heinlein, Brittany Kunker, Colton Major, Leonard Marszalkowski, Connor McGrath, Cassandra Mohney, Ryan Moseman, Nicholas Passarell, Ross Pinson, Patrick Purtell, Alaina Roniger, Riley Sanger, Shayna Swisher, Zachary Vaccarelli, Sarah Westcott and Courtney Winkley.

12th Grade: Faith Battaglia, Martin Beadle, Zachary Breyette, Katherine Couch, Breanna Hagberg, Jeffrey Hale, Matthew Harder, Alexis Hinkley-Maier, Alicia Lutes, Stephen Mallett, Brandon Morrell, Inna Odeychuk, Niracha Pramchuen, Madison Pritchard, Glenn Robb and Ema Stevic.

MS/HS Students Complete Library Puzzle

For over three months, MS/HS students and staff worked to complete a 1,000 piece puzzle of a tiger. Over the past two years, the puzzle had been out on the puzzle table in the library five or six times without being fully completed. This year, Library Aide Jodi Foster was determined to set an example to persevere and finish the puzzle so the students were given an added incentive. If they could finish the puzzle, there would be a pizza party!

Since December, about 18 students worked consistently on the puzzle. The puzzle was finally completed in April and the students celebrated with a pizza party. The moment the tiger puzzle was finished, it was sealed with art glue and framed. It hangs behind the circulation desk in the library. The students and library staff decided that if they ever accomplished the puzzle, they would never do it again!

Students who participated in completing the puzzle were Sierra Apicella, Sam Barniak, Taylor DeSimone, Dalton Major, Callise Monks, Kohl Morgan, Travis Mounts, Grant Moy, Cheyenne Palmer, Zach Peashey, Donovan Ross, Tiffany Rowley-Vega, Andy Sychalski, Cory Sychalski, Amanda Valerio and Emily Wiczerak.



Students celebrating the puzzle completion are, on left side of table, Kohl Morgan, Travis Mounts and Grant Moy; on right side, Amanda Valerio, Tiffany Rowley-Vega and Dalton Major.

MS/HS Library Becomes Art Gallery to Showcase Student Works

Students in Nicole Rowley's Drawing & Painting classes have their work displayed on the shelves of the MS/HS Library near the main entrance.

Students in Brandi Zavitz' Studio Art Ninth Grade class made 3D artwork reflecting popular brands of products. These pieces are displayed in the MS/HS Library on top of the shelves past the circulation desk.

Students in Rowley's Eighth Grade Art class created images on ceramic tiles. They are found on top of the shelves closest to the Atrium in the MS/HS Library.

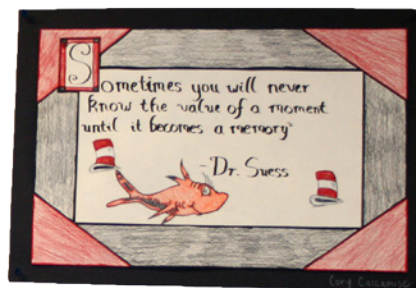
Students in Rowley's Studio Art Ninth Grade class illustrated quotes that hang above the study rooms in the MS/HS Library.



Two birds on a wire by Mika Vasquez-Pulcino (left) and Antonio Puente



Minute Maid juice box by Sierra Verhagen



Quote from Dr. Seuss by Corrine Sychalski



Wolf on ceramic tile by Jade Simmons

May and June are Full of Fieldtrips for Elementary Students



Christopher Mosier shows off his new library card

The calendar for May and June is packed full of field trips for the students at Holley Elementary. Many of them are walking trips to the village to explore what is in their own backyard.

Students in Deb Koehler and Gina Cliff's second grade class recently explored the Community Free Library and Murray-Holley Historical Society. Both places are full of information that the students can use for research as they learn more about the world outside of school walls. Library Director Sandra Shaw led the students on a tour of the library and explained the summer reading program to them.

The theme for this year is superheroes with the motto of "Every Hero has a Story." The students peppered her with questions. They had an opportunity to obtain a library card and check out a book.

Shaw challenged the students to read out loud to a sibling, stuffed animal or pet. The Community Free Library houses over 110,000 books, so there will be lots of books for the students to choose from.

The students listened to Murray-Holley Historian Marsha DeFillipps talk about all the different sections of the Historical Society. Housed in an old train depot, the Historical Society is filled with over 3,000 artifacts from the early days of Holley through the present day. They keep newspaper clippings on Holley events and people, videos of every musical performed at Holley MS/HS and yearbooks from the MS/HS, too. They even have old band uniforms and instruments from the district. The students asked questions based on what they wanted to learn during their visit. They were fascinated by the replica of the depot created by Dan Mawn, president of the Historical Society. They enjoyed receiving a train ticket and listening to a recording of a train whistle as they left the Historical Society and began the walk back to school.

These trips reinforce the second grade social studies standards of focusing on communities, whether they are urban, rural or suburban. The students focus on their own community and learn how it changes over time.



Peyton Wright, on right, checks out a book from Amanda Anderson at the Community Free Library



Historian Marsha DeFillipps talks to students about the items on display in the Murray-Holley Historical Society



Tara Bannister's First Grade Class Visits the Gazebo by the Salt Port Pond for a Science Lesson

Eighth Graders Create Videos About Middle School Experience at Holley

Eighth grade students participated in a digital storytelling project that involved creating videos of their middle school experience at Holley. Their goal was to show the videos to incoming seventh grade



A team of eighth graders works on their video

students, in hopes of giving them advice and suggestions on how to succeed and have fun. The eighth graders worked in small groups to create a story board, theme and setting for their videos. Students filmed video, edited photos, added music, and recorded their voices narrating the stories. Some photos were taken with pinhole cameras designed and created by students in their art and technology classes. They viewed each other's videos and voted on the top three to be shown at Moving Up Day for the sixth graders, which will take place in June. While the sixth graders will benefit from this project by gaining insight into what middle school will be like for them, the eighth graders practiced acquiring 21st Century skills, such as critical thinking, problem solving, technology usage and collaboration. This project supported the STEAM initiative of increasing student exposure to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) opportunities in education.



Holley Pre-K Students Visit the National Museum of Play

Orleans County Mental Health Gives Presentation to Holley Students

Orleans County Mental Health visited Holley Elementary physical education classes for two days to give a presentation on childhood obesity and the link to mental health. The topics discussed were:

- the causes of childhood and adolescent obesity
- what BMI stands for
- the importance of fitness and nutrition on mental and physical health
- diabetes, high cholesterol and high blood pressure issues among children and adolescents
- the connection between obesity and mental health

Orleans County Mental Health is a Carol M. White Physical Education Program grant partner with Holley Central School District.



From left, Danielle Figura, Dawn Wandell and Diana Fox from Orleans County Mental Health in Albion

BIG COMMUNITY HOEDOWN

Over 135 people attended the Big Community Hoedown on Friday, May 1. Professional square dance caller Mike Callahan returned to lead the event. The FIT4U! African Dancers and Flash Mob Dancers also performed at the event. Food Service Director Vickie Scroger provided healthy snacks of popcorn, yogurt cups and bottles of water at the event. This event was made possible by the Carol M. White Physical Education Program grant.



Pre-K student Jack Newman enjoys a healthy snack and a break from the Hoedown

Technology Class Builds Structures to Benefit School and Community



Kyle Ierlan, on right, nails a truss to the shed while teacher Tim Rogers supervises



From left, Connor McGrath and Ricci Shenck work on building a truss in the dugout

Since the first week in April, Tim Rogers' Technology classes have been busy building two storage sheds and two dugouts. The storage sheds are for a Holley staff member and a member of the community. The dugouts are for the Holley modified soccer field. They hope to distribute the finished products in June.

The 16' x 6' dugouts were requested by the Sports Boosters, who paid for the materials while the Technology students provided the labor. The 10' x 12' shed for a staff member and the 12' x 12' shed for a community member also had materials paid for by the requestors. Students can be found working on these projects outside the technology classrooms Monday through Friday during first and second periods.

"They love doing these large projects," said Holly Moore, instructional aide for Technology. "They feel good about building the dugouts because they're for the school." "I wish I could have nine periods of this class," said ninth grader Kyle Ierlan. He hopes to attend a trade school after graduation and pursue a machine shop or welding career. "Some kids might pursue carpentry after high school, but it's just good to know these skills," said 11th grader Ricci Shenck. Ninth grader Melanie Norman agrees. "I wanted to learn how to do some stuff around the house and I didn't know how, so I decided to take this class," she said. "It's better than algebra, even though there's a lot of math involved in building."

Tenth Annual Senior Citizen Breakfast a Success

Over 121 people attended the Tenth Annual Senior Citizen Appreciation Breakfast on May 7 in the Elementary Café. The buffet breakfast was provided by Personal Touch, who supplies the food to both the Elementary and MS/HS cafeterias. Elementary students created placemats for each table setting. Art teacher Brandi Zavitz and some of her students created ceramic centerpieces for each table. The senior citizens were served by student volunteers from the MS/HS. Kindergarten, elementary and senior high singers provided the entertainment during the breakfast. They sang everything from the Beatles "Love Me Do" to a song in Swahili. The Elementary Chorus also sang "America Medley" to honor the military servicemen and women. After the breakfast, senior citizens were invited to have their blood pressure checked by a school nurse, visit a booth sponsored by the Orleans County Office of the Aging and tour the Family Fitness Center. They also had a chance to sign up for a Gold Card membership, which offers any senior citizen age 60 or older free attendance at any District sponsored event. Next year's Senior Citizen Appreciation Breakfast will be held on May 5, 2016.



High school student Zach Trask serves coffee



Eighth grader Aaron Strathearn hands out a rose

Two Holley MS/HS Students Enjoy Playing Non-Traditional Sports

This year, junior Emma Grathouse was a member of the Boys' Wrestling team and senior Dallas Starkweather was a member of the Varsity Cheerleading squad. While this was Grathouse's first year wrestling on the Holley team, Starkweather has been a cheerleader for Holley since ninth grade.

Grathouse started wrestling when she was in third grade, alongside her three sisters. Her brother was a wrestler, too. She used to cheerlead for Holley, but she wanted to do something different, so she started attending Open Mats sessions that were offered in the wrestling off-season. Grathouse also participated in an off-season tournament and performed well, so she asked wrestling coach John Grillo for approval to join the Holley team. Since joining the team, she has beaten all the females she has scrapped with, and even some of the males. She is in the mid-weight category and has wrestled opponents who have weighed anywhere from 145 to 160 pounds. When she attended a Senior Night tournament at Byron-Bergen, a Byron-Bergen cheerleader approached her and shook her hand. The cheerleader told Grathouse that she felt like she was "meeting a famous wrestler."

No one has ever refused to wrestle Grathouse, but she thinks that some wrestlers have underestimated her and assumed she'd be easy to take down. "I thought that some guys weren't working as hard against me as they could," she said. "I admire the guys for giving me a chance. The Holley team treated me as one of them and we're like a family. I feel like I can go to Coach Grillo for anything now and I really look up to him." Grillo even gave Grathouse the nickname of "Giggles" because she would start to giggle when on the mat, except when she was in a serious match.

In addition to wrestling and cheerleading, Grathouse plays softball and used to take dance classes. She also confesses to wanting to play football, but has yet to have her parents permit her participation. Grathouse hopes to obtain a women's

wrestling scholarship to attend college. She is currently in her first year of the Welding and Machining program at BOCES 2 Career and Technical Education. She hopes to become an underwater welder.

While Starkweather has been the only male on the Holley Cheerleading squad during his high school years, he has also participated in the Core Athletix cheerleading team with other young men. He was on their All*Stars team for a year and a half. Starkweather got interested in cheerleading by watching videos on YouTube. He wanted to learn to tumble, so he started tumbling classes, worked on stretching, and learned jumps. He talked to cheerleading coach Penny Cole to gain approval to try out for the team. After making the team, he was welcomed by the girls, who were excited to have him join them.

Starkweather felt that cheerleading was taken more seriously as a sport and having a male on the team added strength to the team. "I loved participating in cheerleading and I want to go back to it," he said. Starkweather said he had his picture taken a lot because people noticed he was the only male on the team. "If you're the only male cheerleader, you have to own it," he said. He has cheered for the Holley football, soccer and basketball teams. He finds Holley fans to be supportive. "I notice that the cheering gets louder when I'm performing for the crowd," he said. His favorite move is a standing tuck.

Although Starkweather plans on attending Monroe Community College after graduation to pursue a liberal arts degree, he

would consider cheerleading at a four-year college if it was offered. He might also try out again for Core Athletix.

Both Grathouse and Starkweather agree that if a student is considering participating in a non-traditional sport, he or she should just "go for it." Grathouse advises talking to the coach first. Starkweather advises researching the sport to find out what's involved, even if it means learning through YouTube videos. They both agree that determination and perseverance are the winning attitudes to have. "Be dedicated," Grathouse said. "Go through the whole season and don't quit. It's not as hard as everyone thinks it is. You're only spending nine minutes of working really hard in a match." Grathouse has not found it hard to maintain her weight through proper diet and exercise. Starkweather was willing to dedicate time to practice time every day for two to three hours and additional practice time when competitions were looming. When he was on the All*Stars team at Core Athletix, he attended a choreography class for six hours every week. Starkweather said, "If you're scared to do it, you won't do it, so you need to get over the fear of it. It's a mind-set." He was motivated to join the team, so that helped him overcome his fears.



From left, Emma Grathouse and Dallas Starkweather

S & S Fitness Owners Lead Elementary Students in Fitness Activities



Sandy and Scott Haug, owners of S & S Fitness and Martial Arts Center in Hamlin, visited Holley Elementary recently to lead fitness activities. They led fun relay races for students in Pre-K through sixth grade. They incorporated jump ropes, medicine balls and free weights into the activities. The Haugs spoke about the importance of fitness, nutrition and staying active and suggested the students look for opportunities to play sports.



Scott and Sandy Haug from S & S Fitness and Martial Arts Center

S & S Fitness and Martial Arts Center is a Carol M. White Physical Education Program grant partner with Holley Central School District.

Holley Student Receives \$3,000 Scholarship

Dan Haley, a Holley student who attends the Communication and Social Skills (CaSS) class at Greece Arcadia, recently received a second place award for the New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal (NYSIR) Paul Jensen Scholarship. The \$3,000 scholarship must be used towards Haley's college expenses. He intends to attend Monroe Community College and focus on the culinary field. Haley received the scholarship for demonstrating an inspired imagination and creative aesthetic in his high school career and looking for an opportunity to attend college.



Holley Elementary Chorus and Band Perform at Lilac Festival

by Hannah Bock, Elementary Band Director

Despite the blustery weather, the Holley Elementary Chorus and Concert Band put on an outstanding performance at the Lilac Festival in Rochester on May 12. The chorus and band performed on the Main Stage at the festival for families, community members and other schools.

The chorus performed a variety of selections including the popular Beatles tunes "Blackbird" and "Yellow Submarine," a patriotic number called "Our America," and some well-known songs such as "Over the Rainbow," "Swinging on a Star" and "Don't Stop Believin'." The Concert Band performed a fast-paced piece called "Moto Continuo," a patriotic medley called "American Bits and Pieces" and some popular movie themes including "Mission: Impossible" and "Star Wars."

Performing under a high wind warning was no easy feat, but the ensemble music students from Holley Elementary were able to perform to their fullest potential. One student commented, "The music stands got knocked over and the music was flying everywhere, but we still played and had fun. We definitely won't forget it!"

Holley PEP Grant Renewed for Second Year

Holley Central School District has received notification that the Carol M. White Physical Education Program (PEP) grant has been approved for a second year in the amount of \$214,601. Holley received this continuance of the grant because they have demonstrated “good performance of the grant’s goals and objectives and have improved on all three Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) measures.” The three GPRA measures Holley must meet are:

1. Students completing 60 minutes of daily physical activity, measured with pedometers and activity logs.
2. Students meeting the standard of a healthy fitness zone in at least five of the six fitness areas of the Presidential Youth Fitness Program (PYFP).
3. Students consuming two fruits and three vegetables per day, measured with surveys.

Holley students wore movable bands to record their physical activity, participated in fitness and nutrition activities through physical education classes and FIT4U! sessions throughout the year, and were provided with fruits and vegetables during and after school through the cafeteria services program.

“Our physical education staff has worked diligently to ensure that we not only met, but exceeded, the standards of the grant requirements.”

Holley received \$438,430 in the first year of the PEP grant, which made the creation of the Family Fitness Center in the Elementary School possible, along with the programs mentioned

above. Physical Education teacher Lisa Campbell has been the administrator of the grant. “I wish to commend Lisa Campbell on her efforts to help secure the grant,” said District Superintendent Robert D’Angelo. “I also commend her for her hard work with the Family Fitness Center and all of the activities associated with educating students, staff, parents and the community about the importance of good nutrition and physical activity. I look forward to the second year of this grant and the good things to come from it.”

If Holley shows further improvement in the GPRA measures in its second year, they can receive a continuance award of \$128,612. “Our physical education staff has worked diligently to ensure that we not only met, but exceeded, the standards of the grant requirements,” said Campbell. “Their support, dedication, hard work and fine efforts are sincerely appreciated.”

Final Exam and Regents Exam Schedule - June 2015 (revised 5/14/15)

Uniform Admission Deadlines: Morning Exams 10 a.m., Afternoon Exams 2 p.m.

Tuesday June 2	Tuesday June 16	Wednesday June 17	Thursday June 18	Friday June 19	Monday June 22	Tuesday June 23	Wednesday June 24
7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
RE in English Language Arts (Common Core)	RE in US History and Government (College US students too) English 7, 8	RE in Global History Social Studies 7, 8 College US History	Integrated Algebra Math 7, 8, 7/8 Algebra 1A	Algebra 2/Trig Physical Setting/Earth Science Science 7, 8 Economics	RCT Global Studies Spanish Proficiency* Spanish 1	Physical Setting/Chemistry RCT Science	RCT Reading
11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
RE in Geometry (Common Core) College Spanish	Living Environment English 9, 12, College English Spanish 8	Physical Setting/Physics/ College Physics RE in Algebra 1 CC Spanish 2	Comprehensive English Int. A2/Trig Global 1 English 10	Geometry (2005 standards) College Pre-Calc College Calc	RCT Writing Comprehensive Spanish* Practical Math Int. Geometry	RCT US History & Government	RCT Math

These times are specified by the State Education Department. If a student misses an exam, the next possible make up time is August 2015, January 2016 or June 2016, depending on the exam.

*Regional exams

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Soaring Award

Fifth grader John Patt received the "Soaring to New Heights" award at the Holley Board of Education meeting on April 21. This award is given monthly to deserving students and adults who go above and beyond expectations and who lend their skills and abilities to help others. John received this award from Elementary Principal Karri Schiavone for his talent, dedication and ambition for playing the violin. John is the only string player in the Holley Elementary Concert Band and music teacher Hannah Bock prepares music for him so he can participate with his fellow band mates. Schiavone credits both John and Bock for expanding the band program beyond what is currently offered at Holley Elementary. John was the only Orleans County participant selected to play in the Genesee Symphony Orchestra that performed in concert on April 12. John has been playing the violin for four years and takes private lessons.



From left, Hannah Bock, John Patt and Karri Schiavone

Calendar Change

On June 2, **only MS/HS students** taking a Regents Exam that day need to report to school. If a MS/HS student does not have an exam scheduled for that day, they do not have school. Elementary students must report to school on June 2 for a full day of school.

JUNE 2015

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| 1 | Grades 4 & 8 Science Tests - Written | 15 | MS/HS Early Dismissal at 10:30 a.m. |
| 2 | Regents Exams | 16-17 | Pre-K End of Year Program |
| 2 | Biggest Winner Meeting, ES Fitness Center 6:30 p.m. | 16-24 | Regents Exams |
| 3 | ES Band Recruitment, Elementary Cafe 6 p.m. | 19 | Grades K-3 Awards Assembly 9:30 a.m. |
| 4 | Senior Picnic, Hamlin Beach 9:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m. | 19-24 | ES Early Dismissal at 11:30 a.m. (Staff Development in afternoons) |
| 4 | MS/HS Band & Chorus Spring Concert, MS/HS Aud. 7 p.m. | 22 | Kindergarten End of Year Program |
| 5 | Grades Kindergarten -1 Field Day | 23 | Sixth Grade Moving Up Day |
| 5 | Fourth Grade Pioneer Days | 24 | Grades 4-5 Awards Assembly 9 a.m. |
| 5 | Senior Prom, Plantation Party House 7 p.m. | 24 | Fourth Marking Period Ends |
| 6 | SAT Exam | 24 | ES Report Cards Sent Home |
| 8 | Grades 2-3 Field Day | 24 | Last Day of School for Students |
| 9 | Grades 4-6 Field Day | 25 | Senior Breakfast, MS/HS Dining Hall 8 a.m. |
| 9 | MS/HS Awards Ceremony, MS/HS Aud. 7 p.m. | 25 | Graduation Rehearsal, Auditorium 9:30 a.m. |
| 12 | Flag Day - ES Band & Chorus, Holley Depot 9:30 a.m. | 25 | Rating Day |
| 13 | ACT Exam | 25 | Last Day of School for Staff |
| 15 | MS/HS Academic Field Days 7:30-10:30 a.m. | 27 | Graduation, Woodlands 10 a.m. |
| 15 | Board of Education, District Office 6 p.m. | | |