

DIMENSION



Holley Central School District | December 2016

Library Hosts CHARACTER-INSPIRED PUMPKIN CONTEST

In October, a variety of pumpkins disguised as characters from children's books could be found on top of the shelving units in the Holley Elementary School Library. Julie Bader, elementary library media specialist, challenged students to decorate pumpkins to look like their favorite book characters. Entries varied from Goldilocks and the Three Bears to Legos.

The winners were:

Pre-K-kindergarten:

- First place – Clifford the Big Red Dog by Jack Breuilley
- Second place – Pete the Cat by Calista Maggard
- Third place – Pinkalicious by Averie Johnson

First-second grade:

- First place – Minion by Tessa Hazzard
- Second place – Cinderella by Addison Probst
- Third place tie – Guinea Pig by Cayden Cook and Skippyjon Jones by Parker Tower

Third-fourth grade:

- First place – Charlotte's Web by Maizy Ehrhardt
- Second place tie – Creature Teacher by Jada Shampine and Harry Potter by Kohle and Hunter Pachla
- Third place – Dork Diaries Nikki by Lea Brightly

Fifth-sixth grade:

- First place – Max the Military Dog by Emma Brady
- Second place – Mercy Watson by Teanna Church
- Third place – Griever from Maze Runner by Kayla Neale

Classroom Winner:

- Stellaluna by Mrs. Christian's class



Superintendent's Message:

RUDE vs. MEAN vs. BULLYING: WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Dear Holley Community,

In the recent past, I have met with both parents and students about situations that they have described as bullying. In some instances, what they have described would lead one to believe that indeed bullying has occurred. In other instances, what may have been thought of as bullying may very well be a matter of rudeness or being mean. So what's the difference?

Rudeness - inadvertently saying or doing something that hurts someone else. As far as kids are concerned, rudeness may look more like jumping ahead in line or bragging about achieving the highest grade. Any of these actions could be looked upon as bullying, but when looked at in greater context, incidents of rudeness are spontaneous, unplanned and inconsiderate; based more on poor manners; and not meant to hurt someone.

Mean - purposefully saying or doing something to hurt someone once or maybe twice. The main distinction between "rude" and "mean" behavior has much to do with intention. While rudeness is often unintentional, mean

behavior very much aims to hurt someone. Examples include criticizing clothing, appearance or intelligence. Mean behavior is often motivated by angry feelings and may wound someone deeply. Yet, meanness is different from bullying.

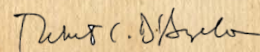
Bullying - intentionally aggressive behavior, repeated over time, that involves an imbalance of power. Three key elements - intent to harm, power imbalance, and repeated acts or threats of aggressive behavior - are present in the case of bullying.

First of all, it is important to distinguish between rude, mean and bullying acts so that everyone involved knows what to pay attention to and when/how to intervene.

Whether it is rudeness, meanness or bullying, there is no place for any of that in our schools. The solution to all of this, in part, lies in the fact that all stakeholders - school personnel, students and parents - must work in collaboration to put an end to unjust treatment of any individual in our schools. Without the assistance of students and parents, the Principal and Assistant Principal will never be able to prevent or restrict the number

of rude, mean or bullying incidents in the schools. We must create a culture in both of our buildings that is arrived at collaboratively, one that has as its core value that we will not tolerate any form of mistreatment of another person. Building on that, schools can then create programs, messages in the buildings, and activities that promote mutual respect and cooperation among all stakeholders. Then, and only then, will we be able to minimize the rude, mean and bullying behaviors. And lastly, in the event that there are those individuals who choose not to adhere to our core value, regardless of how hard we try, there must be immediate and appropriate consequences to ensure that our buildings remain places of learning that are safe and positive.

We have a great school district, and we all need to work together to make it better and better each day. I know we can do it with everyone's help. Thank you.



Robert C. D'Angelo
Superintendent of Schools

HTA Helps Families Celebrate Holidays

For almost 20 years, the Holley Teachers' Association (HTA) has organized the collection of food for Thanksgiving dinners for local families. The faculty and staff in both the ES and MS/HS participate in the effort, pulling together donations for complete turkey dinners. In the last six years, there's been an increase in need for this service, so HTA has coordinated the fixings for 20 dinners each year. The HTA receives the names of recipients from the district's mental health team.

The HTA's PR Committee plans and organizes the Thanksgiving dinners. The committee consists of Chairperson Karin Richards and members Tricia Draper, Cathy Mason, Chris Grasta, Sue Thornton, Meg Schubert, Tanya Pittinaro, Shannon Meyer, Chris Langelotti, Julie Bader, Sue Beach, Alexa Downey and Tammy Menzie. The PR Committee also coordinates "The Giving Tree" in December to provide gifts for the Eastern Orleans Community Center to distribute. The HTA has carried on this long-standing tradition to ensure that Holley district families are able to enjoy the holidays.

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.

COUNSELING News

CTE Field Trip

On Dec. 9, 10th graders will be able to explore a field of interest at the Career and Technical Education Center (CTE) in Spencerport. Students can select two courses from two different clusters. These sessions are available on a first come, first served basis. Interested students should sign up in the Counseling Office with Penny Cole. Students will have the opportunity to gain specific hands-on vocational experience and obtain general CTE information. The tour will take place in the morning and transportation will be provided. **There will be a stop for lunch, so please have students bring money with them.**

Scholarship Opportunities

New scholarship opportunities are posted on the Holley website at: www.holleycsd.org/scholarships/. Check the website regularly and contact Kristina Tese to obtain paper applications. Please pay particular attention to the deadlines and apply early. More scholarship information is located simply by searching online (for example, www.fastweb.com). **Tip:** Also check college websites for additional scholarship opportunities. Based upon GPA and SAT/ACT scores, many colleges submit students automatically for certain scholarships.

Save the Date: Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Night

Holley MS/HS will be hosting a Financial Aid Night on Dec. 5 from 5-7 p.m. in the MS/HS Auditorium. Joe Bailey and Jim Simon from Genesee Community College will be presenting information regarding FAFSA. Parents and senior students are strongly encouraged to attend! Hope to see you there!

Attention High School Seniors

Seniors should be applying to colleges at this time and taking the SAT (www.collegeboard.com) and/or ACT (www.actstudent.org). Pay attention to deadlines and make sure application information is sent on time. In addition, seniors should provide their counselors with a list of colleges to which they have applied and been accepted.

The Counseling Mental Health Staff would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!



Veterans Day Assembly at Holley Elementary

The annual Veterans Day assembly at Holley Elementary School on Nov. 10 featured patriotic music. Students led the assembly, guiding the audience through a history of American music through their presentations and performances. The Elementary Chorus sang while the Band played the "The Star-Spangled Banner." The Chorus also sang "God Bless the USA" and "Thank You, Soldiers." Following an introduction by senior Claudia Drechsel, the Band played "This is My Country," along with "America the Beautiful." Sixth grader Chris Lyndaker played "Bugle Call" and "Taps" on his trumpet. A group of local veterans from the American Legion and VFW posted and retired the colors to begin and end the assembly. Fifty local veterans were in attendance, representing all four branches of the military.



Scholarships

Barbara Lotze Scholarships for Future Teachers

Five, \$2,000 awards are available. To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be a high school senior planning to pursue a career in teaching physics in high school and be a citizen of the USA. Applications are found online at www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9561/barbara_lotze_scholarships_for_future_teachers_scholarship.php. **Deadline is Dec. 1, 2016.**

National Space Club Scholarship

One, \$10,000 award is available. To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be a senior in high school; have the intention of pursuing a career in the STEM fields and plan to attend an accredited U.S. college or university to follow a course of study to pursue a career in the STEM field, with a preference for those with space related interests; and the applicant can only use the scholarship towards tuition for the 2017-18 academic year. Applications are found online at www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship/12191/national_space_club_scholarship_scholarship.php. **Deadline is Dec. 2, 2016.**

St. John Fisher Service/First Generation Scholarship

The Service Scholars Program recognizes and rewards high school seniors who demonstrate an ongoing interest in serving the needs of others through their commitment to community service. This scholarship is designed to provide financial and academic assistance to high school students who exhibit a high degree of motivation and academic potential, and whose parents did not attend a post-secondary institution. Interested students must submit a completed online scholarship application (www.sjfc.edu/freshman/scholarships) and apply for admission to the college. Application submission primary deadline is **Dec. 15, 2016**, with the final deadline on Jan. 15, 2017.

AXA Achievement Scholarship

Scholarships range from \$2,500-\$25,000 and are awarded to a student in every state. Only the first 10,000 applications will be accepted, so apply early. Every winner's high school will also receive a \$1,000 grant for professional development. Eligible students are seniors in high school who are active in their communities, have led projects that benefit others and have overcome personal challenges. Visit www.axa.com/achievers to learn more and apply online. The deadline is **Dec. 15, 2016.**

NYS PTA Jenkins Memorial Scholarship for Teacher Education

Three thousand dollar scholarships to students from the graduating class who exhibit the potential to be outstanding classroom teachers. Students who are pursuing a degree in education can access the following website at: nyspta.org/YourPTA/AwardsRecog_TwinProjectsJenkins.cfm. **The deadline is Dec. 15, 2016.**

Points Scholarships

Ten, \$10,000 awards are given to eligible students who are at least 13 years old, are enrolled or will enroll in a college or university in the U.S., and are legal residents of the U.S. or Puerto Rico. Applications are found at: www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13776/points_scholarships_scholarship.php. **Deadline is Dec. 15, 2016.**

Monroe Professional Engineers Society Scholarship

The Monroe Professional Engineers Society provides scholar awards to high school seniors from high schools within the counties that comprise the Chapter's region. Students must plan to attend college to pursue a degree in an ABET accredited engineering program. The Scholar Award is based on academic achievement, participation in scholastic and out of school activities, work experience, and volunteer/community service activities. Scholar awards are sponsored by local companies and organizations. For more information, visit <http://monroepes.org/scholarship/>. **Deadline is Dec. 23, 2016.**

Sons of the American Revolution: George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest

Students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to apply. To be eligible, submit an essay of 800 to 1,200 words based on an event, person, philosophy or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. If interested, please see Kristina Tese for an application. The deadline is **December 31, 2016.**

Genesee Community College (GCC) Scholarships

GCC offers institution-based scholarships. Students are encouraged to apply for as many scholarships as they qualify for. Students must submit their scholarship applications by **Jan. 1, 2017** for preference for the upcoming academic year. Scholarships offered are President's, Foundation, Citizenship, Challenge, Honors, Genesee Promise Plus, Fast Web and Finger Lakes Hired Employment Program. For more information on these scholarships, visit www.genesee.edu/home/offices/finaid/scholarships/.

College Acceptances

We are pleased to announce that Christopher Balys was accepted to Roberts Wesleyan College and Niagara University.

Congratulations, Chris!



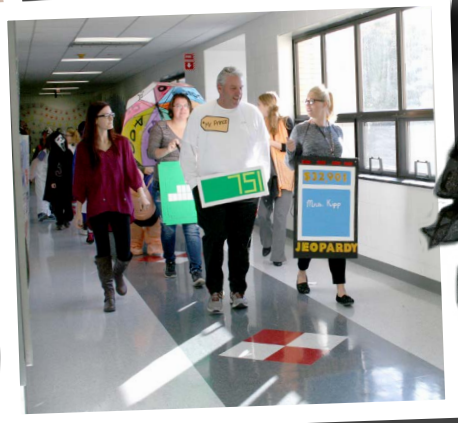
Student Council Blood Drive a Success

The Holley Senior High Student Council would like to thank everyone who supported the American Red Cross Blood Drive on Oct. 31. Thirty-five units were collected, which will help more than 100 people. Just another example of "Holley Hawks Soaring to Success"!

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Parades Through Holley Elementary

Holley Elementary students had a chance to parade through school in their Halloween costumes on Oct. 31. There were two parades throughout the Elementary School, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, and both were led by the Student Council. They proudly carried the banner they made in a Student Council meeting. Zombies, princesses, superheroes and scary characters were seen walking through the halls, along with costumed teachers and staff.



Girls on the Run Team Completes 5k

Eleven students participated in the fall session of Girls on the Run (GOTR) at Holley Elementary. GOTR is a national organization that is curriculum-based to build self-esteem and confidence in girls while encouraging physical activity. Leigha Walker, Layne Walker, Sara Kingdoller, Emma Downey, Katie Dobri, Jailyn Bishop, Lena Hayes, Madi Beachner, Jasmine Apicella, Alexis Salamone and Julia Robinson formed the Holley GOTR team. This is the sixth season the district has hosted the 10-week program, which began Sept. 12 and ended with a 5k race on Nov. 6 in Delaware Park in Buffalo. The program was implemented by Lynn Vendetti and Paula Sanford, with this year's team coached by Vendetti, Sanford and Hannah Bock.



Up to 15 female students in grades 3-6 were eligible to join the program. The team practiced twice each week after school to prepare to run a 5k race at the end of the season. They received a healthy snack and an official GOTR of Buffalo T-shirt. Each student had a running buddy to motivate and support her throughout the race. Visit the GOTR official site for more information on this program (<http://www.gotrbuffalo.org/who-we-are>).

As a community outreach project, the team is running a book donation drive this year. For more information, contact Hannah Bock at hbock@holleycsd.org or Lynn Vendetti at lvendetti@holleycsd.org.

Elementary Student Council Embarks on Next Project

by Sally Martin, Elementary Student Council Advisor

The Elementary Student Council is busy with their latest fundraising project. They have decided to raise money for the After School Friends program. After School Friends began several years ago as an outreach program at the Holley Presbyterian Church. Two years ago, it became part of the FIT4U! program, but the grant for the FIT4U! program ends this year. There are more than 30 students who attend this program on a regular basis, and they would like it to continue. The Elementary Student Council is raising money to extend this program so they created collection boxes at a recent meeting. Retired art teacher Larry Dabney made the red boxes and students worked on the labels. Please support this program when you see the containers around the village. Watch for exciting fundraising projects this coming school year. I wonder if any projects will include M&M, the goat, or Gamma, the dog?



SPANISH CLASS ENJOYS TASTE OF COLLEGE AND CULTURE

by Tammy Menzie, Spanish Teacher

On Nov. 7, juniors and seniors from both Holley MS/HS and Byron-Bergen Jr./Sr. High School traveled to Genesee Community College (GCC). While on campus, students received an orientation to the library, discussed courses and degree transfer, toured the campus and the College Village (housing), and asked a lot of questions. Following the campus visit, students went to Rancho Viejo Mexican Restaurant in Batavia for lunch and enjoyed a variety of dishes, drank jarritos (a traditional Mexican fruit-flavored drink) and devoured desserts. The fried cheesecake, fried ice cream and flan were enjoyed by many.

We would like to thank the staff at GCC for making this trip possible and for the money they donated towards our lunch. It was also great to share this experience with students from another high school. Thank you Byron-Bergen; we enjoyed our time with you.



Students of the Month for October

Holley Central Schools recognizes Students of the Month in grades K-12. Elementary students are nominated from each classroom, and middle and high school students are nominated in each subject area, all on a monthly basis. Each student receives a certificate with their photo on it and the nomination from their teacher written on it. The certificates are also displayed in the glass display case outside the MS/HS Library and then filed in a binder in the MS/HS Main Office. Pictures of the elementary students are displayed in the hallway near the Elementary Library and archived in a binder in the library.

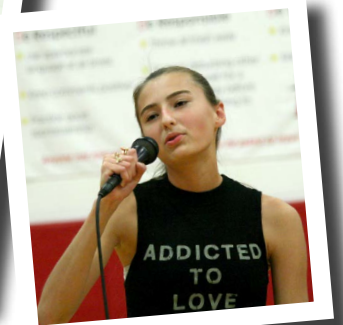
Once each month, students of the month from grades K-12 have breakfast together with the principals in the Elementary Café or MS/HS Dining Hall (location rotates monthly). Breakfast is supplied by Food Service Director Vickie Scroger and her cafeteria staff.

Congratulations to the following students who were recognized as students of the month for October: Brayden Appoloney, Savanna Antram, Christopher Andrews, Charles Jewell IV, Atlas Kruger, Jayden Miller, Mason Merle, Dante Wilder, London Bull, Aidan Kelley, Kamrin Say, Mya Brown, Ella Turpyn, Alexis VanAmeron, Brooke Waldron, Mariska VanLogten, Kaden Rheinwald, Maggie Skehan, Gisella Garcia, Lorenzo Zaragoza, Cavan Bennage, Julia Scroope, Michael Wolfe, Alyssa Faro, Emma Downey, Andrew Thomas, Harleigh Andrews, Zachary Warney, Ava Franklin, Allyson Skehan, Caleb Gogal, Charity Ambeau, Robert Torres, Ally Benson, Salvador Solis, Liam Anderson, Jeffrey VanOrden, Anna Brasted, Melea Towsley and Isaiah Flow.



Annual Dessert Concert is a Sweet Success

Holley High School students hosted a Dessert Concert on Nov. 2 as a fundraiser for their music department. Twenty-eight songs were performed as solos, duets or trios and many were accompanied by Music Teacher Kelly Marzano on piano or by students Isaiah Flow and Alexis Penna on guitar. All students selected their own pieces to perform, with songs ranging from a Frank Sinatra classic to four tunes from Adele. Senior Makenzie Ferranti sang an aria in Italian, which earned her a 99 percent at Solo Fest this past spring and a spot performing in Zone 2's Area All-State Festival this fall. The Concert Choir ended the concert with an a capella song by Pentatonix. Desserts were served in the MS/HS Foyer while the concert was performed in the gym. Donations received at the event help support the high school's bi-annual competition trip.



Holley Students Stage Presidential Debates

The Holley Current Events class held a series of three mock presidential debates this fall. Students were assigned the roles of presidential candidates, presidential advisors or moderators. Students Kayla Thrower (as Democrat Hillary Clinton), Glenn Thrower (as Republican Donald Trump) and Alex Mounts (as Libertarian Gary Johnson) worked with their advisors to prepare for each debate. The students prepared for five weeks to impersonate the candidates, adopting much of their personas and mannerisms. They debated issues such as immigration, terrorism, war, gun laws, health care, free trade, jobs and taxes.

MS/HS students, staff and faculty were invited to attend the debates at the end of the day on Oct. 25 and 26 in the MS/HS Auditorium. The audience completed ballots to determine the winner of each debate. A panel of six teachers and three moderators also completed ballots after each debate. On Nov. 1, the public was invited to attend the final debate. Twenty-five people made up the panel that evening and 378 votes were cast. The entire Current Events class conducted a Q&A session with the audience at the end of the final debate.

Debate moderators were senior McKenzie Hendrickson and juniors Jessica Sedore and Hanna Waterman; these students kept the candidates on task while Current Events Teacher Nick D'Amuro kept track of time. Because students were instructed to vote for the candidate who had the best argument at each debate, the results varied. After the first debate, Alex was the winner of the popular vote with 75 votes, while Kayla was the winner of the panel vote with seven votes. After the second debate, Glenn was the winner of the popular vote with 61 votes and Alex was the winner of the panel vote with four votes. After the final debate, Glenn was the winner of the popular vote with 156 votes and Alex and Kayla tied for the panel vote with 11 votes each.

D'Amuro was pleased with the support from the audience. "I am so happy to hear from teachers and students that they are excited about these debates and the election," he said. "I am so excited that our students are going above and beyond to discuss the current political climate." District Superintendent



Students Alex Mounts, Kayla Thrower and Glenn Thrower at the end of a debate.

Robert D'Angelo agreed. "Nick and his students did an outstanding job with each and every debate," said D'Angelo. "I was very proud to attend them and was impressed with the number of students and staff in the audience each time. This activity was a perfect example of authentic instruction and learning. I am confident that our students' knowledge of both the political issues surrounding this presidential election as well as our political process have been greatly enhanced by these debates."

The Current Events class discussed the results from all three debates and decided that Kayla's team consistently had the best performances and deserved to win. "The students in our district tend to lean towards the ideals of Trump on several subjects," said D'Amuro. "However, the other candidates did such an excellent job with their arguments that I think students, along with teachers, really kept an open mind. In our political system, many voters make up their minds before November rolls around, based on their own opinions, so to see teachers and students really thinking about their choices was excellent."

Students to Sing with RPO in December

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to participate in this year's Annual Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra (RPO) Gala Holiday Pops concerts: seniors Makenzie Ferranti, Alexander Mounts and Nicholas Smith, and junior Alexis Penna. They will be traveling to the Eastman Theatre to be part of an ensemble of 200 local high school singers from the Rochester area. Students are selected, based on experience and talent, to perform several holiday concerts with the RPO in December. For concert and ticket information, visit www.rpo.org/s_1/s_228/p_2139/Gala_Holiday_Pops/.



Holley Joins Forces With Kendall for Wrestling Team This Year



Wrestlers from the Holley and Kendall Central School Districts will combine to form the joint Holley-Kendall Wrestling Team this year. The number of Kendall students interested in wrestling has declined recently, so both school boards approved a joint team to keep the sport alive for those who have a passion for it. No one is more passionate about the sport than Holley-Kendall Varsity Wrestling Coach John Grillo. "Personally, I'm very excited about it," said Grillo. "We're saving opportunities for student athletes by combining the teams." Grillo is also Genesee Region League Wrestling Chairman and said Attica has joined forces with Batavia for the same reasons.

Grillo has the most wins of any coach in New York State, with his record currently standing at over 700. He explained that Kendall athletes will be bussed to Holley for practices and meets, with one match scheduled at Kendall. Students in grades 7-12 will be eligible to join the Varsity team. Rich Williams, a Kendall Youth Coach, will assist in coaching the Varsity team alongside Grillo. Grillo's son, Andrew, will also assist in coaching the Varsity team, and Andrew will coach the modified team, too. The youth programs

will be left intact at both schools.

Grillo and Holley Athletic Director Dan Courtney met with Kendall Athletic Director Kevin Watson and Kendall Modified Wrestling Coach Tige Noni and they said that 10 athletes are interested in participating from Kendall and 20 from Holley. Their goal is to eventually have a team of 40-45 athletes who qualify to cover all the weight classes. Weight classes range from 99-285 pounds. "Wrestling is a hard sport to coach," said Grillo. "You have to have 15 athletes, in all different weight classes, ready to go at every match. Nationwide, there are fewer weight classes than there used to be. No other sport is like this, so it's a struggle to fill the weight classes. We have been fortunate to be able to fill all the weight classes throughout the years."

Grillo plans to work on modifying the wrestling uniform since there is a need to have new uniforms created to reflect the joint team name. Holley will supply the practice gear. Kendall has offered to share wrestling supplies. Senior Night, Staff Night, Alumni Night and Parent Night will be combined for both schools at Holley home meets. Staff Night would be a new event for Holley, with athletes asking a faculty or staff member from

their school to represent them at the match and cheer them on from their corner.

"The students will be treated equally," said Grillo. "Students from both schools will each have a chance to earn a starting spot. If you win your wrestle-off, you are the top wrestler in that class for the time being. I'm telling the athletes to throw away their pride and turn their rivalry into a force to be reckoned with as a joint team." Grillo and Courtney both agreed that the news of a joint team has been received positively by Holley students. "The students will adapt quickly," said Courtney. "We have the potential to be a better team this year," said Grillo. "If all the pieces of the puzzle fit right, we'll be a strong team. There will be more competition during practice, which is exciting."

On Dec. 23, there will be a Holley-Kendall Alumni Wrestling Match. Grillo looks forward to that since he coached all three of his sons during their years at Holley. With Holley Hawks and Kendall Eagles competing together, they will be a living example of the idiom "birds of a feather flock together."

FIT4U! Fall Session Full of Activities

Students were very busy attending various FIT4U! sessions this fall. The Games, Games and More Games class taught by Amie Callen was large enough to be split into two sessions, so first graders attended on Mondays and kindergarteners attended on Thursdays. The African Dance class taught by Sally Martin had one of the highest attendance records this session. The After School Friends Club led by Jean Smith proved to be popular again this year. The next session of FIT4U! began on Nov. 28 and will end Jan. 27 so students have a chance to participate in new sessions. The FIT4U! program is made possible by the Carol M. White Physical Education Program grant that Holley received two years ago.



Sports Boosters News

The Sports Boosters Meeting for December has been changed to Monday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in the MS/HS Library. Please join us.

Topics in Science Students Attend U of R Session

Dan Burke's Topics in Science students spent a day at the University of Rochester Medical School in the Life Sciences Learning Center (LSLC). Burke's class is a science elective for juniors and seniors. The LSLC provides hands-on learning to increase science literacy and enthusiasm for life sciences. Students worked in the teaching laboratories using the latest science equipment and supplies, while learning a variety of laboratory techniques.

Students also participated in an over-the-counter (OTC) drug research and development class titled "Medicines and Me III." They learned how basic science is used to develop OTC drugs and determine the most effective doses. They were taught how clinical research on OTC drugs helps identify effectiveness and side effects. Students studied how drugs are marketed to consumers. They used different laboratory methods to detect a substance by adding antibodies that reacted to it, which helped determine the safety of a potential OTC drug.

There are additional photos of Holley students participating in the U of R fieldtrip on the Facebook page for the LSLC. To see more, visit www.facebook.com/LifeSciencesLearningCenter.



Students Take Fieldtrip to BOCES

by Anna LaForce, Speech Language Pathologist

A group of MS/HS students joined Speech Language Pathologist Anna LaForce, Teacher Jason Maihofer, Psychologist Holly Curtis and Instructional Aide Holly Moore on a fieldtrip to Orleans/Niagara BOCES on Oct. 26. Students attended a job/college/vocational fair and explored various colleges, employment/internship opportunities and vocational paths. They also participated in a session where an employer discussed what he is looking for when hiring employees. Our students were given information on understanding their strengths and weaknesses, coping skills, and how school prepares them for future endeavors.



Holley Students Looking Forward to Overseas Trips

by Tammy Menzie, Spanish Teacher

With less than 100 days until their departure in February, the 20 trip participants are getting excited about their Experience Spain 11-day trip. Thanks to all those that purchased Spaghetti for Spain dinner tickets to help us pay for tips and excursions. We appreciate the support from the community.

Students have begun to sign up for the Costa Rican Expedition in February 2019. The price has not increased yet and you can still sign up. Contact Tammy Menzie (tmenzie@holleycsd.org) for more information.



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MS/HS Holiday Concert, HS Aud. 7 p.m.
- 2 Holley Days of Shopping, ES Primary Gym 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
- 2-9 PTSA Santa's Gift Gallery, ES
- 3 SAT
- 5-Jan. 6 PARP
- 5 FAFSA Night, HS Aud. 5-7 p.m.
- 6 ES Winter Concert, HS Aud. 7 p.m.
Biggest Winner Meeting, ES Café 6:30-8 p.m.
- 10 ACT
- 12 Sports Boosters, HS Library 7 p.m.
- 14 PTSA meeting, ES Rm. 49 5 p.m.
Family Literacy Night, ES Library 6:30-8 p.m.
- 19 Board of Education meeting 6 p.m.
- 23 ES Winter Sing-a-Long, ES Intermed. Gym 2 p.m.

26-Jan.2 No School, Holiday Recess

Check the district calendar online for additional detail.



PTSA News



The Pick A Reading Partner (PARP) program will begin on Dec. 5 and run until Jan. 6. Students will be asked to read for 15 minutes each night with a partner. Each night that students read, their names will be entered into a drawing for a limo ride to McDonald's for lunch. This event is sponsored by PTSA. The PARP program shows students that reading can be fun.



Santa's Gift Gallery runs from Dec. 2-9 in ES Room 46. PTSA is looking for volunteers to help run the gift shop. This is a great opportunity for grandparents to volunteer at school! Contact Jenn Morgan at jmorgan@holleyscd.org to volunteer.

REMINDER

Holley Days of Shopping event will be held on Dec. 1 from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Dec. 2 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. in the ES Primary Gym. Report to the ES Foyer first. For questions, contact Erica Bailey at 638-6391, extension 2558.