

# DIMENSION



*Holley Central School District | May 2017*

## DrumFIT Program has Students Marching to the Beat of Their Own Drums

Holley Elementary students recently participated in DrumFIT sessions during physical education classes. The sessions were led by Alanna Schieck, who combined physical fitness, upbeat music, exercise balls and drumsticks to guide students through a new experience of combining exercise with music skills. Students were taught to use the drumsticks to hit the exercise balls in time to the music. Once they learned different drumming methods, they added cardio exercise moves into their music routines. For instance, they drummed on the ball as they moved in circles around it, paused and performed a few jumping jacks, or sat on the ball to maintain their balance while they lifted their arms and legs in the air.

Schieck also led free DrumFIT classes during the evening of March 31, where students came back to school with their families and participated in the fun fitness routines together. The DrumFIT sessions were made possible by the Carol M. White Physical Education Program grant that Holley received in 2014.



### 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.

Holley Central School District

# 2017-18 BUDGET VOTE

**TUESDAY, MAY 16**

**6 a.m. to 9 p.m.**

**Holley Middle School/High School (MS/HS) Foyer**

**PLEASE  
VOTE**

### Budget Highlights

- 1.35 percent tax levy increase

**While you're in the district on May 16, please enjoy:**

### Holley Music Department Annual Chicken BBQ, 3-7 p.m.

MS/HS Dining Hall – eat in or take-out; tickets are \$10 and may be purchased in advance from any music student or the Elementary or MS/HS Main Offices. A limited number of dinners will be available to walk-ins that day. The meal includes chicken, roll and butter, macaroni salad, salt potatoes and a bottle of water. Food is provided by Krolick's BBQ.

### PTSA Free Ice Cream Social

4-6 p.m. in the MS/HS Foyer

### Elementary School Spring Concert

7 p.m. in the MS/HS Auditorium – Enjoy performances from our talented music students.



# Superintendent's Message

## Why Family and Community Involvement is Important in Schools

Dear Holley Community,

We recently had a great evening program entitled **HOLLEY STRONG**, which focused on the importance of every component of the district celebrating the outstanding schools we have in Holley. The stronger the district and all of its components are, the stronger the community at large will be. This event was very well attended by parents and students alike.

I would like to expand on this theme by asking: **Why should I care about family and community involvement in schools?** It is important that schools, parents and the community work together to promote health, well-being and learning for all students. When schools actively involve parents and engage community resources, they are

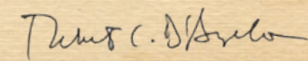
able to better respond more effectively to the health and academic needs of students.

Family and community involvement fosters partnerships among schools, family, community groups and individuals. These partnerships result in sharing and maximizing resources, and they help children develop healthy behaviors and promote healthy families. Research shows that students whose parents are involved in their education are more likely to:

- Adapt to school
- Attend school more regularly
- Complete homework more consistently
- Earn higher grades and test scores
- Graduate and adapt to their goals and aspirations
- Have better social skills
- Show improved behavior

- Have better relationships with their parents
- Have greater self-esteem

I encourage you to continue to participate in the various activities that take place at your child's school, as they are also your schools. Please contact your child's teacher if you should have any questions related to your child or the various class activities. It is only in working together that we will be able to maximize and capitalize on your children's potential so that they can become all that they are capable of becoming. Let's remain **HOLLEY STRONG**.



Robert C. D'Angelo  
Superintendent of Schools

## Scholarships

### Paradigm Challenge Scholarship

Ten, \$10,000 awards are given to eligible students who are age 4 to 18 years old on May 1, 2017; have their parents/legal guardians' permission to participate in The Challenge; and are **not** residents of Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan, Syria, the Crimea Region, or any other United States sanctioned country. Applications are found at [www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship/12702/the\\_paradigm\\_challenge\\_scholarship.php](http://www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship/12702/the_paradigm_challenge_scholarship.php). Deadline is **May 1, 2017**.

### Past National Commander Michael J. Kogutek American Legion Scholarship Trust

This scholarship is intended to assist New York State Veterans, their families and patriotic students who share the ideals of the American Legion. Please contact Kristina Tese for an application. Deadline is **May 5, 2017**.

### Dana Fry Scholarship

Two scholarships are being offered to students who show diligent study and work ethics. Students who demonstrate extra effort required to achieve their lifetime goals are prime candidates. An essay about the Vietnam Era is required. Please see Kristina Tese in the Counseling Office for an application. The deadline is **May 5, 2017**.

### Chopin Foundation Scholarship Program

Ten, \$4,000 awards are given to eligible students who are qualified American pianists (as U.S. citizens or legal residents) between ages 14 and 17 as of May 15 of their first year of application. Applications can be found at [www.chopin.org/scholarship-requirements.html](http://www.chopin.org/scholarship-requirements.html). Deadline is **May 15, 2017**.

### B. Davis Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is available to all high school juniors and seniors, as well as all students currently registered in any post-secondary institution. To apply for this scholarship, you need to submit an essay discussing in less than 1,000 words your response to the topic posted at <http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm>. Submissions must be sent to [awards@studentawardsearch.com](mailto:awards@studentawardsearch.com). The deadline is **May 22, 2017**.

### Got a Spine Scholarship

One, \$500 award is given to the eligible student attending a college or university full-time no later than October 2017 and has achieved a GPA of 2.5 or greater during their last academic year. Applications are found at: [www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10634/got\\_a\\_spine\\_scholarship\\_scholarship.php](http://www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10634/got_a_spine_scholarship_scholarship.php). Deadline is **June 2, 2017**.



## COUNSELING News

### Take FREE college classes with Genesee Promise Plus

Genesee Promise Plus is a special program designed specifically for seniors graduating in June 2017 from a high school located in Genesee, Livingston, Orleans and Wyoming (GLOW) counties in New York State. Under Genesee Promise Plus, **every** GLOW area 2017 graduate will receive a scholarship covering the cost of tuition for one or two summer 2017 courses offered by Genesee Community College (GCC) at any of its campuses located in Albion, Arcade, Batavia, Dansville, Lima, Medina and Warsaw. For more information, visit [www.genesee.edu/gcc/promise/](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. Fee waivers are available, please see your counselor if you need one.

- ACT website: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- SAT website: [www.collegeboard.org](http://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 **immediately** so you don't miss out on funding from loans, grants or other financial aid that is available to you. Please visit the website, [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov), to complete the form online. Contact the online financial aid office for further assistance with completing the application. Worksheets are also available on the site to assist you with completing the form. **Do not** mail the worksheets to the Financial Aid Center.

### Scholarships

Seniors are encouraged to visit the Counseling Office for scholarship opportunities. Many of the scholarships are located on the district website at: [www.holleycsd.org/scholarships](http://www.holleycsd.org/scholarships). In addition, hard copies are printed of the scholarships, and they are located at the Attendance Desk. Information can also be found on the scholarship board in the Counseling Office. You can visit the following websites for further scholarship information: [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) and [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com). Please see Kristina Tese for details.

## PTSA News

The Sixth Grade Semi-Formal will be on May 12 from 6:30-8 p.m. Admission is \$3. Food will be available for sale at this event.

There will be an Ice Cream Social on May 16 from 4-6 p.m. in the MS/HS Foyer during the Budget Vote.

The Buy One, Get One Book Fair will be May 30-June 2 in the Elementary Library. Pick up some books for summer reading!

## Holley-Kendall Wrestlers End Season with Banquet



The Holley-Kendall Wrestling Team ended their season with a banquet in the Holley MS/HS Dining Hall on March 22. The banquet was attended by more than 110 people and food was supplied by Personal Touch, the Holley Central School District food service vendor. Awards were handed out and the team received the Scholar-Athlete Team Award from NYSPHSAA. Well done, team!

## College Acceptances

We are pleased to announce that Anna Adams was accepted to Genesee Community College, William Harrington was accepted to Elmira College and Andrew Cary was accepted to the Rochester Institute of Technology to study criminal justice.

*Congratulations!*



At the Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES Annual Meeting on April 5, Holley students enrolled in the Career and Technical Education (CTE) food programs helped create and serve the meal to district superintendents and board members. Pictured are, from left, Superintendent Robert D'Angelo, student Brian Gates, Board of Education President Brenda Swanger, student Jennah McMillion, and Board Member Mark Porter. Brian is enrolled in the Culinary Arts and Jennah is in the Baking program at the CTE Center in Spencerport.



# March Was Full of Music at Holley

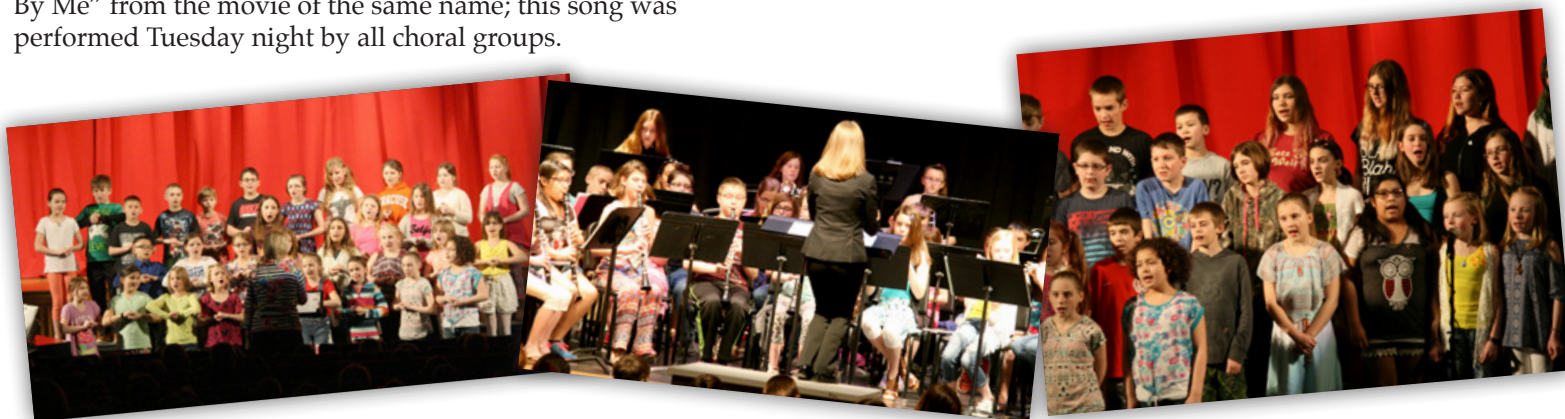


Students in grades 4-12 performed in two concerts to highlight March as Music in Our Schools Month. The District Choral Groups performed the evening of March 21, while the District Concert Bands performed the evening of March 23 in the Holley MS/HS Auditorium. The Elementary Concert Band and Chorus staged a repeat performance on Friday, March 24 for the elementary students.

Under the direction of Sally Martin, the Fourth Grade Chorus performed "Papaya Song," followed by "This Old Man," which was a medley of nursery rhymes. The Fifth and Sixth Grade Chorus performed "Old King Cole," "Castle on a Cloud," and "Tell Me Mom." Both choruses combined to sing "Stand By Me" from the movie of the same name; this song was performed Tuesday night by all choral groups.

Under the direction of Hannah Bock, the Fifth and Sixth Grade Band performed "Triton Fanfare" and "Ritmico." These students also performed "Celtic Air and Dance" with the MS/HS bands on Thursday night. With MS/HS Band Director Zach Busch's guidance, these students also performed "Shadows Unleashed" with the MS/HS bands on March 23.

All performances in March gave students a chance to show off the skills they've learned through many hours of practice. The concerts also demonstrated the musical progression these students can make throughout the years as they advance through the music program at Holley.



## Patt Performs with GSO

by Zach Busch, Holley MS/HS Band Director

On April 1, seventh grade student John Patt attended the Genesee Symphony Orchestra (GSO) String Workshop at GO ART! in Batavia. The GSO String Workshop invites students from surrounding school districts, many of whom have not had the opportunity to play in a larger orchestra. John has attended the GSO String Workshop for three years. As a fifth and sixth grader, John played the Violin II parts, but he has since been promoted to Violin I, which has been much more of a challenge. This position also allows him to take on a leadership role.

This year's GSO String Workshop is conducted by the GSO's new conductor, S. Shade Zajac. John and the GSO String Workshop students will be performing music from the movie "Apollo 13." There will be several other selections performed by the GSO as well. The performance will take place on Sunday, May 7 at 4 p.m. at Elba Central School. Tickets are available for \$15 at Roxy's Music Store or GO ART! in Batavia.



## Holley-Kendall Marching Band

by Zach Busch, Holley MS/HS Band Director

On March 20, the Holley Central School District Board of Education approved music teachers Zachary Busch and Hannah Bock as co-directors of the Holley-Kendall Marching Band. The marching band is open to music students in grades 7-12 from both Holley and Kendall schools. The colorguard is open to any students in grades 7-12 from both schools, too. Look for a sneak preview of the Holley-Kendall Marching Band's music from "The Magnificent Seven" at the Holley MS/HS Spring Concert on May 25. The marching band will also perform at the Holley Memorial Day Parade on May 29, Holley June Fest on June 3 and the Albion Strawberry Festival on June 10. The students are very excited, and we look forward to seeing you at the parades!



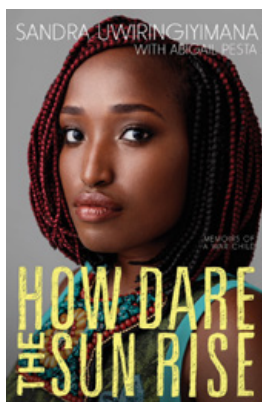
## Author Visit Scheduled for May 18

On May 18, author Sandra Uwiringiyimana will visit Holley MS/HS and talk about her book, "How Dare the Sun Rise." She is a refugee from the Republic of Congo, who arrived in Rochester as a young girl, without a family. She wrote the story of her horrific experience in the Congo, losing her family, and how she regained hope with the opportunities given to her in America for a new start.

Uwiringiyimana's visit is funded by the Holley Community Free Library. The event will be open to the public on May 18, with the author's presentation beginning at 1 p.m., and her book signing beginning at 2 p.m. The book is currently due to be published on May 16, so Holley MS/HS Librarian Lisa Osur hopes to be able to provide pre-sales of the book. Books will be for sale at the event.

Osur invited Uwiringiyimana to Holley so students and the community could become better educated on the plight of others around the world. She hopes that listening to the author's story gives everyone a better understanding of the real-life impact American opportunities can have on immigrants and refugees.

Uwiringiyimana will be in Rochester as a guest author at the Greater Rochester Teen Book Festival on May 20 at Nazareth College. For more information, visit [www.teenbookfest.org](http://www.teenbookfest.org).



## PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you'd like to register your child for Holley Pre-K or Kindergarten, please contact Karen Bower at 638-6391, extension 2580 or [kbower@holleycsd.org](mailto:kbower@holleycsd.org). To be eligible to register for Pre-K, children must be 4 years old by December 1, 2017. To be eligible to register for Kindergarten, children must be 5 years old by December 1, 2017.

You will need the following documents to register your child: birth certificate, immunization record and proof of residency (for example, utility bill).

Pre-K and Kindergarten health physicals are required to be completed by September 1, 2017.

## Career Explorations Day for Eighth Graders

by Lisa Tubinis, Science Teacher

In the past, Holley's Eighth Grade Team has participated in a career day, but this year, they added to the experience by taking a fieldtrip to the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Center in Spencerport. Before visiting the site, students selected trade and professional programs that interested them. On March 31, they visited two different classrooms at CTE to learn about the curriculum, experiences and opportunities offered by those programs.

After returning to school for the afternoon, students rotated through six presentations including Health Care, Information Technologies, Skilled Trades, Culinary, Advanced Manufacturing, and Public Service. Each presentation was led by a professional in that industry. The professionals shared the experiences that led them to their career paths and explained the daily responsibilities and routines associated with their positions.





## Students of the Month for March

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 March: Lilyanna Lorback, Jack Breuilly, Marielly Lopez, Cayden Van Gelder, Bentley Harner, Lilly O'Brien, Russel Samons, Jack Newman, Dakota Arnold, Karlee Sanders, Madison Lowell, Ryker Knight, Grant Smith, Laura Moak, Jordan Gamble, Olivia Mayes, Isabella Emery, Alyssa Armstrong, Isabella Samons, Madison Schicker, Cecelia Farruggia, Emma Kingston, Ava Quincey, Tia Hoffarth, Akiyah Zadorecky, Laura Kretschmer, Breeonna Vargas, Andrew Light, Sabrina Blosenhauer, Kiana Haughton, Nathan Sietmann, Anthony Wallace, Hunter McMillion, Madison Papaj, Jacob Greenman and Nicholas Pifer.



## Humanities Class Journeys to Albany

The Humanities class from Holley Middle School/High School visited the state capitol on March 26-27, at the invitation of Eileen Banker, Chief of Staff for Assemblyman Stephen Hawley. Banker told students that a visit to Albany would help them advocate and talk to legislators about the ideas and concerns they shared with her during a recent visit to their class. This trip was an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and it became an eye-opener for many students.

They began their trip by visiting the New York State Museum, where they were astonished by many exhibits there. The 9/11 Memorial exhibit included a video from a firefighter that survived that day. There was even a fire truck on display that made everyone emotional. Another impressive exhibit was the skull reconstructions. Students were in awe of the fact that scientists could figure out what someone's face looked like hundreds of years ago, using archeologists and computer technology.

The next day, students toured the Capitol Building. They watched how the state government worked by attending Senate and Assembly sessions. Students learned the similarities and difference between the two groups, such as how they vote and pass bills. Students also met with Assemblyman Hawley. One interesting fact about the Senate chamber is that one wall is made of 23 karat gold. The Senators also use two old fireplaces in the back of the room to have private conversations while the Senate is in session. Students found the legend of the Capitol Building "demon," allegedly created by an architect who was fired and came back to "curse" the building, both interesting and

humorous. Students viewed the Million Dollar Staircase and the 77 famous faces that were put on it, such as Washington, Lincoln, Grant and Susan B. Anthony. The staircase also contains smaller faces of the carvers' families and friends.

Holley Humanities students were thankful to experience Albany. By attending the trip, seniors gained credits for their Participation in Government class, which helped them meet graduation requirements. Students will present everything they learned to the rest of the Participation in Government classes and the Holley Board of Education. This trip was one they'll never forget.



*Holley Humanities students pictured on the floor of the Senate.*



# National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony

The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Induction Ceremony occurred on March 28. Twenty-six students in seventh through ninth grade were inducted based on their application to the faculty selection committee and maintenance of a 90 percent or higher academic average. To be inducted, students must demonstrate the five qualities of NJHS membership: character, citizenship, leadership, scholarship and service.



The ceremony began with the current NJHS members leading a candlelight procession down the main aisles of the High School Auditorium. Current members tapped the shoulders of new inductees sitting in the audience, who then exited the auditorium to receive boutonnieres. The new inductees then joined the 54 current NJHS members on the stage. The current NJHS officers lit the ceremonial candles and described each of the qualities of membership. The new members were sworn in as a group. When each inductee's name was announced, the student received their certificate from Principal Susan Cory and signed their name in the book that maintains a record of every NJHS inductee since 1989.

The guest speaker at the Induction Ceremony was Holley Social Studies Teacher Sheena Hamiter, who was a member of the Holley graduating Class of 2000. She talked about the professions of many of her classmates and told NJHS members that many of them were successful because of the "encouragers" in their lives. She told students to be an encourager. "I want you to gain knowledge because knowledge is strength, and you will need to be strong enough to lift others up," said Hamiter. "Many of you are here because you are already encouragers, so keep up the good work."

Cory ended the induction ceremony with a brief message to students and their parents. "I am always happy to see so many of you join this society every year," she said. "This is just another example of being Holley Strong."

New NJHS inductees are: Kirsstin Althoff, Harleigh Andrews, Cora Bennage, Adriana Botello, Thomas Dobri, David Farruggia III, Gianna Grathouse, Hanna Guck, Rachel Kinsey, Ryan Lang, Shashona MacPhee, Grace McKeon, Broek Ostrom, John Patt, Libbie Pecora, Malachi Rowcliffe, Deanna Schubmehl, Madelyn St. John, Michael Stoll, Alexis Taylor, Antonio Torres, Kylie Towne, Aliyah Weaver, Riley Weaver, Emily Webster and Brodie Wright.

Current NJHS members are: President Bradley Kingdollar, Vice President Kristina Yaroshchuk, Secretaries Morgan Cary and Megan Harrington, Treasurer Allyson Skehan, and members Sierra Apicella, Mikaela Auch, Megan Barrett, Ally Benson, Kamryn Berner, Autumn Bieber, Karl Biedlingmaier, Abigail Bubb, Amya Cancino, Kasey DeFrank, Andrew Drechsel, Laura Ellsmore, Viktoria Emery, Haleigh Falls, Damian Gamble, Brian Gay, Sarah Harrington, Brandi Heffernan, Brianna Heffernan, Regan Hodge, Jade Hoffarth, Rachael Howard, Tyler Jones, Erin Kelly, Rachel Killian, Allison Lyndaker, Janelle Miles, Ruth Miller, Callise Monk, Kohl Morgan, Autumn Moy, Grant Moy, Kayleigh Neale, Jacob Norman, Ava Parr, Halee Passarell, Olivia Radford, Victoria Rich, Tyra Shepherd, Jakob Silpoch, Hayley Skidmore, Emilie Strayer, Cody Tanis, Annalise Tinkous, Charlie Turpyn, Callie Updike, Evan Valentine, Rachael Vanelli and Parker Walker.



## Photography Students Participate in Photography Show



On Sunday, April 2, Holley photography students once again competed in the Kenan Center All High Photo Show. Katharina Reisenbauer won the merit award for her photograph "In the Shadows." Anna Brasted, Alex Edwards, Rosa Bender, Katie Morgan, Hannah Day and Anna Adams also exhibited work in the show.



At left, Katharina Reisenbauer with her award-winning photograph (at top, in left corner, with ribbon next to it).

## Superintendent of Schools

Robert C. D'Angelo

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## MAY 2017

- 1 Sports Boosters Meeting, MS/HS Library 7 p.m.
- 1-5 Grades 3-8 NYS Math Testing
- 2 PTSA Meet the BOE Candidates Night, ES Café 6 p.m.  
Annual Board Meeting 6 p.m.  
Biggest Winner Meeting, ES Café 6:30-8 p.m.
- 4 Senior Citizen Breakfast, ES Café 9-10:30 a.m.
- 6 SAT Exam
- 10 Family Literacy Night, ES Library 6:30-8 p.m.
- 12 PTSA 6th Grade Semi-Formal, ES Café 6:30-8 p.m.
- 16 Budget Vote & Board Member Election, MS/HS Foyer 6 a.m.-9 p.m.  
PTSA Ice Cream Social, MS/HS Foyer 4-6 p.m.  
Annual Chicken BBQ, MS/HS Dining Hall 3-7 p.m.  
Board of Education Meeting 6 p.m.  
ES Spring Concert, MS/HS Aud. 7 p.m.
- 24 Grade 8 NYS Science Practical Assessment
- 25 MS/HS End of Year Concert, MS/HS Aud. 7 p.m.
- 26 Memorial Day Assembly, ES Intermed. Gym 9:30 a.m.
- 29 No School, Memorial Day**
- 31 Grades 4 & 8 NYS Science Performance Assessments

*Check the district calendar online for additional detail.*

## PJs, Popcorn and Pages Family Literacy Night



Elementary School Library  
Wednesday, May 10 • 6:30-8 p.m.



***Come see your teachers in their PJs and hear them read bedtime stories!***

- Wear your PJs to school and to the event!
- Read books with your family in the library
- Visit classrooms for special read-aloud demonstrations done by teachers, beginning at 6:45 p.m.
- Participate in a STEM activity: Computer Fun or Building Center
- Share popcorn and drinks!
- Collect informational handouts on ways to read aloud to your child

The Holley Teachers Association (HTA) is sponsoring the June Fest 5k on June 3. Keep an eye out for more details on this event soon.

**Save  
the  
Date!**