

HAWK'S REPORT



First Day of School

The first day of school is Wednesday, September 4th! We cannot wait to welcome our students back! All students must be in first period by 7:25AM. The doors to the school open at 7:10AM. Students in grades 9-12 enter through the main entrance. Students in grades 7&8 enter through the cafeteria entrance until 7:17AM. After 7:17 all students enter through the main entrance. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out.



Construction

We are currently under construction. The crews have been working tirelessly over the summer to ensure we have a renovated health office and music suites. Continuing into the fall, the new main office will be under construction. When visitors enter the building, they need to report directly to Ms. Barrus who will be stationed in the main foyer. The new main office is slated to be completed by January. Students who are signing in or out will need to report directly to Ms. Barrus in the foyer.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Back-to-School Night is Tuesday, September 3rd, 2024, from 4:30-6:00. We ask families to come explore all Holley Middle/High School has to offer. Based on feedback from last year, teachers will be in their classrooms so families can walk through the schedule and meet each child's teacher. Please note we have the following options for families:

- To purchase laptop insurance and turn in forms, please report to the auditorium.
- To explore and sign up for extracurricular activities, please report to the cafeteria.
- To sign up for Parent Portal, our data system where parents can check student grades and attendance, please report to the library.
- To get help with schedules, please report to the library.
- To get help with a locker, ask any teacher near your child's locker. The number and combination are on the student schedule.

We have noted in the past there is a long line that forms when families turn in paperwork and purchase laptop insurance. This year we are assigning more staff to assist with processing forms in the auditorium and providing more stations for families to visit.



CELLPHONES

Earlier this summer, I sent an email to families regarding cellphone use for students in the 2024-2025 school-year.

Students in grades 7 and 8 must have their cellphones off and away all day.

Students in grades 9-12 must turn their cellphones off and put them away during class time. Students in grades 9-12 may use their cellphones during lunch, study hall, and during passing time. Teachers will have an area in the classroom where students can store their cellphones if need be. There is growing concern regarding feelings of depression and anxiety in many of our youth and the correlation with cellphone/social media usage.

If there are any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to Mr. Feldman at 585-815-5459.

STUDENT SCHEDULES

Student schedules were mailed home on Monday, August 19th. The counselors have tried their best to ensure they meet each individual student's needs. However, there may be a need for a schedule change. Schedule changes may be requested by meeting with a counselor and filling out a *drop/add slip*. To meet with a counselor, students need to fill out the counseling request form found in *Classlink* or email their counselor directly. All schedule changes must be complete by Friday, September 13.

Schedules for students who attended Summer School have written on the schedule *schedule pending per summer school results*. The schedule written is a draft and is based on the idea the student has successfully completed summer school. If a student does not successfully complete summer school, the schedule will be modified.

It is required all students carry a minimum of 6.5 credits. Students enrolled at WEMOCO, participating in 3-1-3, or seniors interning or working in a field related to their after-graduation plan may receive special permission from the building principal to take less than 6.5 credits. To receive permission, students need to fill out a form they can get through their counselor.

If you have any questions regarding schedules, please do not hesitate to reach out the counseling office at 585-638-6335 extension 5510.



SOARING SPORTS

Any student wishing to play a fall sport must register through *Family ID*, found on the district website via the [athletics page](#). Varsity football began on August 19th. All other varsity and JV sports begin on August 26th. Mod A football begins on August 26th. All other modified sports begin on September 4th.

Students who are interested in playing a fall sport should reach out to our athletic director, Mr. Courtney, if they have any questions. He can be reached at dcourtney@holleycsd.org.

IMPORTANT DATES

August 22

SOAR Orientation 8:00AM-12:00PM

September 3

Back-to-School Night 4:30PM-6:00PM

September 4

First Day of School

September 23-28

Spirit Week

September 24

GLOW with your Hands Field Trip

October 1

Picture Day



SENIOR INFORMATION

Seniors will be able to paint parking spots on Friday, August 30th from 9:00AM-11:00AM. Please remember to only use spots around the perimeter of the parking lot. All designs must be approved by Mr. Courtney or Mr. Feldman. Students must provide their own paint, brushes, and cleaning supplies.

If you cannot attend on August 30th and still wish to paint a spot. Please let Mr. Feldman or Mr. Courtney know.

More information regarding senior activities will become available throughout the year.