



THE HAWK'S REPORT

ONE HOLLEY

MAY 2023



Message from the Principal

As we move into the end of the year, we hope you are enjoying the springtime as much as we are here at Holley Middle/High School. We look forward to several end-of-year events ranging from the Color Run to graduation.

I have spent much of this year learning about the traditions that make Holley great. I have also looked at ways we can improve. I would like to ensure we effectively communicate with families. We are currently utilizing the Hawk's Report, SchoolTool Parent Portal, emails, Facebook, and Twitter to communicate information. Next year we will be utilizing Remind 101, especially in regard to extracurricular information.

If you have not been receiving emails from me this year, most likely the email address we have on file in SchoolTool is not accurate. In that case, please reach out to Mrs. Cole in the counseling office at 585-638-6335 ext 5510.

Many of you in the community have reached out to me directly with questions and concerns. I cannot thank you enough. I appreciate the conversations. In the age of social media, it is easy to vent frustrations. Please know you can always reach out to me directly at 585-815-5459. We may not always agree on the means, but I think we can agree we want what is best for our young people.

Thank you,
Mr. Feldman

IMPORTANT EVENTS

May 2 - Annual Board of Education Meeting at 6pm. Meet the candidates night

May 3-4 - 7th and 8th Grade Math State Testing

May 11 - Senior Citizen Breakfast at 9am Elem Cafe

May 15 - Board of Education 6pm

May 16 - Chicken BBQ 3-6:30pm District Budget Vote

May 23 - Science 8 Performance Assessment

May 29 - No School, Memorial Day

May 31 - MS/HS Spring Concert



Mental Health Minute

Seniors planning on attending college next Fall should have applied to college and completed the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) by now. It is not too late if you have not. Please remember to save your passwords/login information when filling out college applications or the FAFSA on-line. Also, be sure to tell your counselor where you applied so they can send out your transcript and/or complete any part of you application if needed.

The Excelsior Scholarship in combination with other student financial aid programs, allows students to attend a SUNY college tuition-free. The program covers tuition for eligible SUNY students. The application for the 2023-24 application (attendance in the Fall 2023 semester) will be available 5/23. If you are attending a SUNY college next Fall, please go to the website for more information and to see if you are eligible - <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/nys-grants-scholarships-awards/the-excelsior-scholarship.html>

If you are in 11th grade and are planning on going to college after high school, it is recommended to visit the college campuses you are interested in. You can visit in person or virtually. You can take a campus tour, attend an open house, informational session or make an individual appointment. It is best to do this during the Spring of this year to help narrow down the list of colleges you will be applying to next Fall during your senior year.

The Genesee Promise Plus program allows any 11th grade or graduating 12th grade student to take up to two college classes during the summer for free (not including books). The application deadline is June 16, 2023. If you have not applied yet and would like more information, please visit the link - <https://www.genesee.edu/pay-for-college/financial-aid/genesee-promise-plus/>



Save the Dates

- **May 18th: Fostering Resilient Learners: Parenting and the Brain - 6-7pm, virtual via Zoom**
 - In this engaging, relevant, and practical session, learn from Kristin Souers (lead author of the best-selling and award-winning *Fostering Resilient Learners: Strategies for creating a trauma-sensitive classroom* - ASCD, 2016 and *Relationship, Regulation, and Responsibility: Trauma Informed Practices for Fostering Resilient Learners*- ASCD, 2019) about the importance of taking care of ourselves and our children.
 - The goal of this parent night is to enhance the adult-child relationship. In this class, parents and other adult caregivers (grandparents, aunts, uncles, coaches, child care providers, teachers, foster parents, etc.) will learn practical skills for how to engage children and teens, use effective communication, and gain an understanding of how stress can impact brain development and learning.
- **May 23rd: Community Equity Forum - 5:30-7pm, MSHS Dining Hall.**
 - This forum is designed for families to learn about the district's priority with creating a welcoming and affirming environment for all students. We recognize that when students see themselves in their curriculum; are engaged in relevant instruction to their lives, experiences, and interests; and feel welcomed and a part of their school, they will be successful academically, socially and emotionally.
 - Come check out artifacts and engage in conversations with different stakeholders to learn what equity work actually looks like in our district.
 - Food and childcare will be provided!
- **More information about both presentations will be forthcoming in a future email!**

Library

It is crazy to think it is already May; the end of the school year will be here before we know it! PLEASE be sure to bring in library books and any other overdue materials you may have. Although we are nearing the end of school, the library is still busy as ever, and there are still many exciting times still ahead for this year!

Students have been in the library working together on school projects, club activities, studying, Makers, and more! Recently, TeacherGeek kindly gifted us with some awesome STEM/STEAM projects for students! Come see us to check these kits out and join in on the fun!





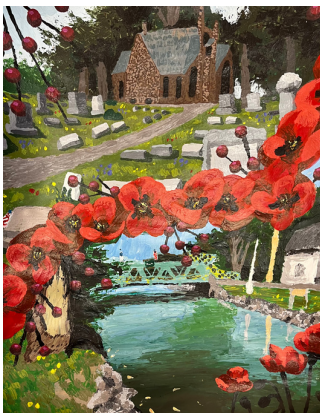
Art

Welcome to May! This is a wonderful time in the Visual Arts Department. We have quite a few projects that are based outside, weather permitting! We do a representational nature game, nature journaling, chalk portraits and en plain air landscapes. En plain air is just a fancy way of saying painting a landscape outside! The painting class will also be dabbling in hydro dipping.

The Art Club did a wonderful job raising funds this year and will be going on a field trip on May 16th to the Memorial Art Gallery to see the sculptures on the grounds then around the corner to the George Eastman House and Museum to learn about art and history around us.

The students in grades K-12 Art were invited by the Holley Festival Committee to design a June Fest poster. The winner will earn \$100.

Below are some examples: The one with the red poppies is a palette knife painting created by Kayla Neale. The one with trees is a mixed media work created by Audrey Haag.



Looking for a way to connect with the community, support the arts and have a good time? Look no further and mark your calendar; The Holley Hawk Chalk Walk is the event for you! This event will be held on Wednesday, June 14th from 5:30-7 at the MS/HS. Rain date is Saturday, June 17th

Members from the community are welcome, come design a sidewalk square with the theme of "#OneHolley" in mind. When our community comes together, amazing things happen, and that is what #OneHolley is all about! We will have buckets of chalk available, or feel free to bring your own! Let your creativity soar with Hawk Pride!

Sidewalk squares are available to purchase at <https://holleycspta.memberhub.com/store/items/8492>





Music

The funds will go to a Visual Arts College Fund for the 2022-2023 school year.

The PTSA and Visual Arts Department will be judging each sidewalk square based on a few different criteria

- Most School Spirit
- Most Creative
- Most Original

Winners will be chosen on June 15th and prizes will be awarded!

There will be food trucks from: Macarollin', ROC City Sammies, Blue Groove Coffee Don't forget to enjoy music by our own Holley-Kendall Marching Band during their show-case starting at 6:30pm!

The event is generously sponsored and organized by the Visual Arts Department & PTSA.

Come Chalk, Chat and Chow down!

The Holley Music Boosters are hosting their annual chicken BBQ on Tuesday, May 16th from 3:00-6:30pm in the MSHS Dining Hall. Tickets are \$14 and the dinner includes 1/2 chicken, cole slaw, salt potatoes, and a roll. Drinks and desserts will also be available for purchase. Food is being prepared by the Holley Fire Department, Sam's Diner, and Vicky Scroger. See a member of the Holley Music Boosters or stop in to the MS/HS Office to purchase a ticket. Please support your Holley Music Program!

The MSHS Spring concert date has been changed from Thursday 6/1 to Wednesday 5/31 at 7pm in the Auditorium. Please change this date in your calendars.

PTSA

Budget Vote Free Ice Cream provided by Holley PTSA! Stop and see us outside the MS/HS for your ice cream and see about all the exciting end of year activities!

End-of-Year Laptop Collection

Please be on the lookout for communication at the end of May, detailing the new laptop collection schedule and procedures. All students will be turning in their laptops **during a scheduled class time, the week of June 5th-9th**. Any students needing their laptops for summer school will be able to sign them out from the MS/HS at the beginning of July, prior to the first day.

Hawk Talk (Athletics)

Friday, May 19: Softball Sectionals Pre Quarterfinals
 Saturday, May 20: Baseball Sectionals Pre-Quarters
 May 22-27: Golf Team Sectionals First Round
 Saturday, May 27: Track Sectionals @ Attica
 Thursday, June 8: JV/Varsity Spring Sports Awards