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Superintendent's Message

I hope you have been able to stay safe and warm as we faced a historical winter weather pattern. I'm hoping for an early spring! We have many exciting things happening in the district. I want to take this opportunity to inform you of some important information in regards to making up snow days, strategic planning development, and bond projects.

This winter weather has been crazy and caused us to close 14 days and one two-hour delay so far! The district has applied for and received the waiver from the state granting us a total of nine forgiven days. We will need to make up 4.5 Days. The legislature continues to work through potential additional forgiveness days. Should this legislative action pass, we will communicate with our families a new plan that meets the requirements of the law. For now, here is our plan for making up these days:



DATE	NEW SCHEDULE	DATE	NEW SCHEDULE	DATE	NEW SCHEDULE
Fri. April 19	½ Day	Wed. June 12	Full Day	Mon. June 17	½ Day
Mon. June 10	Full Day	Thurs. June 13	Full Day	Tues. June 18	½ Day
Tues. June 11	Full Day	Fri. June 14	½ Day	TOTAL	Added 4.5 Days

We are beginning our strategic planning process as our current strategic plan concludes in June. To help inform the direction of the district we are asking parents and community members to please fill out this survey: <https://goo.gl/forms/v8748UjA6oDevfaj1>

Survey responses are due Friday, April 19.

In addition to this, there will be two strategic planning sessions open to the community. The Community Strategic Planning Sessions will be held on **Tuesday, April 9 and Tuesday, April 16 at 6PM in the District Services Building.** Thank you for your partnership to provide the best education possible for our children!

Our bond projects will begin immediately at the conclusion of the school year (some behind the scenes preparations are already underway). Bond projects that were approved in May 2018 will be completed over the course of the next two summers. Here is a list of the projects to be completed this summer:

Phase 1: Summer 2019

Elementary Parking Lot	Elementary Boilers	District Services Building Roof
Elementary Playground	MS/HS Office	District Services Building East Wing Demolition
Elementary Roof	MS/HS Gym Bleachers	District Services Building Boiler
Elementary Office	MS/HS Classroom Doors	Transportation Building Upgrades

This will make for a very busy summer at Holton Public Schools! These projects will impact building access and force our summer programs to relocate. All of this will be communicated this spring. Thank you in advance for your patience and flexibility as we work with our sub-contractors, construction management, and architecture teams to complete these projects efficiently for an on schedule start to next school year! To kick off our bond projects, a ground breaking ceremony is scheduled on Monday, June 10, 2019 at 6PM. We hope you are able to join us!

There are many exciting things happening at Holton Public Schools! If you are interested in volunteering, look into serving on one of our district support organizations including the Holton Boosters Club, Holton Youth Sports, or the Holton Elementary Parent Teacher Association. These are great opportunities to support our students! To learn more contact the District Services Building at (231) 821-1700. On Holton!

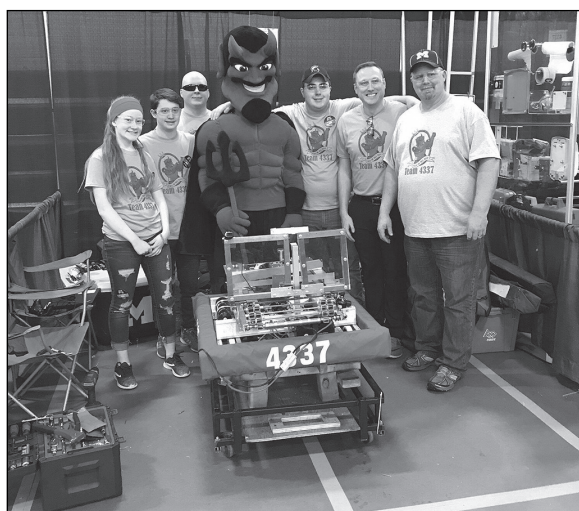
*With Great Respect,
Adam Bayne*

ROBOTICS

The Holton High School Robotics team participated in the Destination: Deep Space robotics competition on March 15th and 16th at Orchard View High School. The competition was organized by FIRST Robotics Competition, which aims to create sustainable robotics programs at every high school in Michigan.

Forty teams from around the state came together to compete. The Red Devil team, coached by Dirk Burkett and Kevin Veldman, performed very well, eventually reaching the semi-finals where they lost a tie-breaker. The Holton coaches received many compliments from other teams, including, "You guys have high energy, it's contagious and we like it!" The team received support from peers, parents, staff and Trident, the Holton mascot! The coaches and students represented Holton with great pride and professionalism!

From left to right: Mackenzie Furman, Joseph Eberly, Dirk Burkett, Hunter Hoofman, Mr. Bayne and Kevin Veldman



2018 - 2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Spring Break	March 29th – April 5th (return on April 8th)
Preschool Round Up	April 16th & 17th
Half day for students	April 19th
School Board Mtg	April 22nd
Athletic Sports Physicals	May 1st
School Board Mtg	May 13th
Half day for students-Teacher In-Service	May 15th
Senior Class Award Night	May 15th
HS & MS "All A's" Breakfast	May 17th
Prom	May 18th
MS/HS Spring Pops Concert	May 19th
Senior's last day of class	May 22nd
Kdg & 1st gr Music Program	May 23rd
NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day	May 27th
School Board Mtg	May 28th (Tues)
Senior Breakfast	May 28th
HS Awards Assembly	May 28th
High School Graduation	May 29th
School Board Mtg	June 10th
Half day for students	June 14th & 17th
Half day for students-Last day of school	June 18th
School Board Mtg	June 24th
Holton Community Days	July 25th – July 27th
Start time: MS/HS.....	7:43 a.m. End time.....2:34 p.m.
Start time: Elem.....	8:48 a.m. End time.....3:44 p.m.
Half day end time:	MS/HS.....10:56 a.m. Elem.....12:03 p.m.

SHOWCASE 2019

Join us on April 11th, at 7:00 pm, at the Frauenthal Center in Downtown Muskegon for Showcase 2019. Come out and support our 2019 nominees. Our athletic nominees are Aaron Herron and Morgan Murat. Our academic nominee is Breezie Woirol. Representing the visual arts category is Cassidy Armstrong. Representing literary arts is Abby Wisniewski. Our group performance nominees are Jalee Tice, Madison Bloom, Kelly Campfield, Samarra German and Sam Tardani. Kaite Purdy will be representing Holton in the solo performance category. Tickets can be purchased in advance or on the night of the show by visiting the Frauenthal Box Office or at Star Tickets.



SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD



Holton Education Foundation

The Holton Education Foundation Board is seeking nominations for a Holton Alumnus who has made significant contributions to their career, community, state, or nation (including military or political service).

Nominees must have graduated from Holton High School in Holton, Michigan. All nominations will be reviewed by the Holton Education Foundation Board and one nominee will be selected for special recognition as a Distinguished Alumni at the Red

Devil Legacy Fundraiser this spring. The intention is for this to be an annual process to honor our amazing Holton Alumni! Learn more about the Holton Education Foundation at <http://www.holtonschools.com/ourdistrict/holton-public-schools-education-endowment-fund/>.

Submit nominations at: <https://goo.gl/forms/35usBiFD0qEsLVBx1> or visit the District Services Building.

All nominations are due Friday, April 12, 2019.

Contact the District office with any questions at 821-1700 or abayne@holton.k12.mi.us.



Principal's Letter

Greetings from Holton High/Middle School. Come on spring! We are desperately awaiting your arrival! With an unprecedented winter complete with snow, ice, and record low temperatures, we are really looking forward to the warmth of spring. It is a busy time of the year for the secondary building with field trips, 6th grade camp, spring sports, awards assemblies, and graduation. State mandated testing will be upon us when we come back from spring break in early April. Students in grades 6, 7, 8, 10, and 11 will be testing at various times throughout April and May.

In addition to their academic report cards, seniors and families received a "College Report Card" to show their progress in completing our senior curriculum and graduation expectations. This includes completing one college application and filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) even if they are planning to pursue other opportunities such as an apprenticeship, military service, or going directly to the workforce. Please contact Ms. Igl for assistance if you have any questions regarding this.



Respectively,
Erik Carlson
Holton's Secondary Principal

C.S.A.A. WRITING TEAM

The C.S.A.A. Writing Team had a successful year in 2018. The team placed 3rd overall in the conference with 9 total teams competing. The team was narrowly edged out of 2nd place by Fremont, while 1st place went to Big Rapids. Given that these are much larger schools than Holton, we are extremely proud of the talented writers and the English/Language Arts Department at Holton Public Schools.

The competition consisted of 3 rounds. Round 1 was character sketch, round 2 was persuasive letter writing and round 3 was poetry. This year's team was coached by Mrs. Felt and was led by seniors Caroline Pitre-Oaks and Kaitie Purdy. Juniors on the team were Drew Trygstad, Kaleb Kitchka, Emma Wisniewski, Paige Byrnes, and Sydney Byrnes. The sophomore class was represented by Madison Bosset, Kennedy Greene, Kendall Greene, Abby Wisniewski, and Kylie Gould. Several freshmen participated in round one of the competition, and they were Austin Fowler, Ashley Fialek, and Gracie Sullivan.

First Team All-Conference was awarded to Kaitie Purdy and Honorable Mention went to Caroline Pitre-Oaks and Paige Byrnes. The poem written by Kaitie Purdy entitled, "What Can I Tell You," earned special recognition in the poetry division.



The 2018
Red Devil
Writing
Team

Forensics Team Celebrates an Award Winning Season!

On February 28th the High School Forensics Team (Public Speaking Competitive team) participated in the CSAA Conference Finals Meet hosted in Kent City.

Students competed in 3 rounds each and were ranked and scored against the other schools' teams.

Earning her third consecutive All-Conference Championship was team captain, Emma Wisniewski in the category of Dramatic Interpretation! Other Interpretation categories included Conference Champions: Breezie Woirol & Matthew Deering (Duo), Kaitie Purdy (Poetry), James Eberly (Prose), and Madison Bloom (Storytelling)! These students received medals and scored many points for their team!

All Conference Honorable Mentions in Interpretation were awarded to Kayla Chartrand, Kelly Campfield, & Sebastian Enders for their Multiple Interpretation piece!

Placing third while it being their very first time competing, were Public Address competitors Eric German (Broadcasting), Ashley Fialek (Oratory), and Hunter Hoofman (Impromptu)!

The team swept the board earning enough points to dominate over Lakeview, Central Montcalm, and Kent City! Holton earned 2nd place in the Conference close behind Chippewa Hills.

Holton's team boasts FIVE Conference Champion points to Chippewa Hills' FOUR, and ONE Honorable Mention to Chip Hills' FIVE.

The team hopes to grow even larger next year to include more competitors in all categories, especially the ones that weren't yet represented. (SALES, EXTEMPORANEOUS, and INFORMATIVE.) Holton Hosts next year's Annual Forensics Tournament! Look out CSAA, there's an aggressive group of Red Devils on the Forensics Team and they're on FIRE!

From left to right: Madison Bloom,
Kaitie Purdy, James Eberly, Emma
Wisniewski, Hunter Hoofman,
Breezie Woirol, Eric German,
Matt Deering, Kelly Campfield,
Ashley Fialek, Kayla Chartrand,
Sebastian Enders



"RISE UP" ASSEMBLY

Holton Middle and High School students were treated to an assembly on February 20th featuring music by Quese and Billy Ballenger and a speech by former Ohio State and NFL player Jimmie Bell. The theme of the event was "rise up" and make positive choices. Quese and Billy Ballenger each performed a song for the students. This was followed by an inspirational speech from Jimmie Bell of Sports World. Sports World sends former professional athletes all over the country to encourage students to make positive choices and live drug and alcohol free. In addition to the assembly, all students were given free tickets to attend a concert featuring Quese and Ballenger at North Muskegon High School's Flex Center on February 21st. Thank you to Sports World and all of our guests! The students had a great time!



MS/HS SPRING POPS CONCERT

Sunday, May 19th
3:00 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium

This will include the MS & HS Band and HS Choir

The Senior Class of 2019
invites the public to their graduation on...

Wednesday, May 29th at 7:00 pm
Red Devil Stadium

This will be held in the High School Gymnasium
if inclement weather.

Third Session Program at MACTC

Holton Middle School is excited to have eight students participating in the Third Session program at the Muskegon Area Career Tech Center. The program is designed to let sixth graders through sophomores get an experience in careers in welding and engineering. Students learn welding processes, plasma cutting, welder's math, and many other skills in addition to employability skills like interviewing and resume writing. The eighth grade students in the program leave the Middle School on Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. and head to the Tech Center. They attend classes until 4:00 p.m. and are bused home or back to the Middle School. Students who are successful in the program can earn up to four years of career training if they attend the Welding Technology program during their junior and senior years of high school. The program is a great opportunity for our kids!



From left to right: Ethan Legard, Gabrian Reed, Trace Pider,
Skylar McFarland, Ryan Rickle, Jacob Zielinski,
and Jeff Kroeze

OPTIMIST CLUB

YOUTH APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

The 2019 Mona Shores Optimist Club held its annual Youth Appreciation Luncheon on March 6, 2019 at Muskegon Community College. Each school in the county was asked to select two high school seniors that excel in and out of the classroom



From left to right:
Seniors Breezie Woirol and
Madison Wackernagel

and make a positive impact in their community. Holton's honorees this year were Valedictorian Breezie Woirol and Salutatorian Madison Wackernagel. Each student stood and shared their achievements and future plans with other attendees. Breezie will be taking advantage of the Muskegon Area Promise Scholarship and attending Baker College's Surgical Tech Program. Madison will also be utilizing the Muskegon Area Promise Scholarship to attend Muskegon Community College in the Nursing Program. Both girls did a phenomenal job representing Holton and will do great things in the future!

Introducing Mr. Joey Mason



Mr. Mason has joined the Holton Middle School staff as a math and special education teacher. Mr. Mason was born in Big Rapids, Michigan and recently moved back to the area from South Dakota. He received his bachelor's degree in secondary math education from Eastern Kentucky University in 2010, and a special education endorsement from Central Michigan University. He currently lives in Montague with his girlfriend and two boys who are six and two. Mr. Mason owns a retired greyhound who was the 4th fastest dog in the world in 2012. He is very excited to start his new career at Holton.

Principal's Letter

Spring is showing that it wants to arrive. After many snow days at home and many inside recesses, the weather seems to be finally showing signs of Spring. This time of year brings many exciting opportunities. Students are able to spend more time outside without all of their Winter gear, many field trips are planned between now and the end of the school year, students are involved in many classroom projects, and our third, fourth, and fifth graders can show us their best work on the Michigan's standardized test, the M-STEP.

The M-STEP includes assessments for our third, fourth, and fifth grade students. These students will begin testing when they return from Spring Break. All three grades will be given the math and English Language Arts assessments. The fifth graders will also take the science and social studies portions of the test. Teachers have been building students' confidence with different tools available with this online assessment. We ask parents to help students get a good night's sleep, eat healthy, and encourage them to do their personal best as they work through these assessments.

As we look forward to the last few months of school, we are excited to see the growth of our students and the excitement of the end of the school year. If you have questions please feel free to contact me at ebyrnes@holton.k12.mi.us or (231) 821-1828.

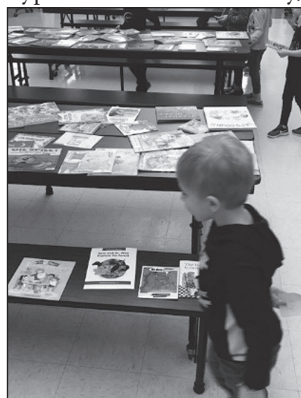


*Educationally yours,
Erin Byrnes
Holton Elementary Principal*

MARCH IS READING MONTH

March is dedicated to reading. Holton Elementary celebrated reading with a different theme for every day. There were dress up days, bring certain types of books to school day, book swap, goals, and prizes. Fun for all staff and students.

Book Swap allowed students to bring in their books from home and choose a different book that a classmate was done reading. Students had a great time swapping out their books and left excited to read something new.



Searching for a book during the Book Swap.



2nd Grade Help Kids Food Basket

The second grade classrooms participated in a community service project in conjunction with Kids Food Basket. This is an organization that provides bagged meals for students to take home with them, if they won't have a meal at home. Holton Elementary students donated the supplies to make and bag over 1000 bags of trail mix to be added to these bagged lunches. So proud of these students and their teachers' willingness to help others in their community.



2nd grade students mixing the trail mix.

LUMBERJACK REWARDS

The Muskegon Lumberjacks hockey team sponsor a reading reward program for elementary students. This program is offered to all Muskegon County schools. Any school that participates has the opportunity to set reading goals for their students and earn prizes from the Lumberjacks for meeting their goals. Holton Elementary has multiple classrooms that participate in this program. There are three reading goal sessions throughout the school year and students are just finishing their last goal session, which will last until the end of March. Our students who have accomplished their goals have earned Lumberjack tickets, new books, bookmarks, and will be getting t-shirts for their final reward. We are thankful for the opportunity given to us by the Lumberjack Organization.

Transitional Kindergarteners Feed the Birds

Holton Elementary Transitional Kindergarten students have themed units built into their curriculum all year long. During this Winter, one of their projects involved making bird feeders and hanging them outside of their window for their animal friends to eat during this snow filled Winter. Although a messy project, students did a great job making the bird feeders and hanging them outside.



Hanging the bird feeders outside their classroom window.

Holton Preschool Round Up!

Round Up will be held at
Holton Administration Building
6500 Fourth St.

Head Start, GSRP and ECSE

Child must be 3 or 4 years old by December 1, 2019

Tuesday, April 16th 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Wednesday, April 17th 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

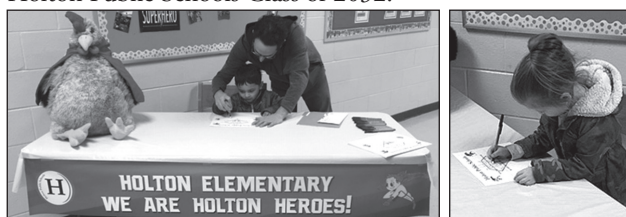
Please call (231) 893-1091 to make your appointment!

Please bring to Round Up to make copies: birth certificate, current shot record, proof of residency, Medicaid or insurance card, and income verification (2018 W2's, 2018 Federal return, DHS grant statement)

If you are unable to join us on this date, please call (231) 893-1091 for enrollment information.

Kindergarten Round Up - A Big Success

On March 19th we welcomed our newest students to Holton Elementary for Kindergarten Round Up. Families were able to tour the building to check out what the elementary looks like, as well as what our Kindergarten classrooms look like. Many students found the gymnasium to be a fun place to play as well. A short presentation explained the difference between our Transitional and Traditional Kindergarten classrooms and parents could begin the enrollment process. Students received a Holton Elementary T-shirt and a bag filled with books and other goodies. The best part of the night was watching all of our new Kindergarten students sign their certificate, welcoming them as our newest students and seeing such big smiles from them. So proud to welcome the Holton Public Schools Class of 2032!



Book Fair Success

Thank you to all of the families who visited the book fair at the Elementary Library during conferences. With the purchases that were made that night, Holton Elementary earned \$2,619.73 that can be used to purchase new books for our library through Scholastic Books. The book fair is how we are able to continually get new books for the students that they will enjoy reading. A huge thank you to all of the community members who made a purchase.

Lighthouse Learning Center Childcare

Lighthouse Learning Center Childcare is now taking Summer 2019 registration forms which will be held at Twin Lake Elementary: Monday – Friday from 6:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Registration for Before & After School Childcare held at Holton Public Schools for the 2019-2020 school year is now open. 3 – 12 year olds (school days only) from 6:30 am – 6:00 pm

Call Susan at (231) 766-3443 for more details on either of these programs.

Please note: DHS is accepted

Elementary Kindergarten & 1st grade Music Concert "Trolls"

Thursday, May 23rd
6:30 p.m. in the Elementary Gymnasium

Pool School

Holton Elementary third graders, once again, have the opportunity to attend pool school once a week for five weeks. Each Friday, third graders spend their mornings in the classroom at school and their afternoons at the Lakeshore Fitness Center in Muskegon in the pool. Students learn water safety as well as work on their swimming skills at their level. Living in this area, students are within a few miles of water anywhere they turn, this type of education helps teach valuable skills to our students and allows them to enjoy numerous water activities safely.



100TH DAY OF SCHOOL

Holton Elementary was finally able to celebrate 100 days of school for the 2018-2019 school year. It took much longer to get there than normal, since the snow days kept adding up. February 27th marked the 100th day. Students were asked to dress like they were 100 years



old or add 100 items to part of their clothing. We saw many of our students grow old for the day and many others show their creativity.



Kick Start to Career Muskegon County

Savings Accounts for All Kindergarteners

Muskegon Community Foundation has started a children's savings account program designed to give students an early boost toward a great career. Starting with the 2018-19 school year, Kick Start to Career will open a \$50 savings account for every kindergartener in Muskegon County! Our traditional Kindergarten students have all been given these savings accounts this school year. Parents can deposit into their savings accounts throughout their K-12 school years. Thank you to the Muskegon Community Foundation for this opportunity for our youngest students.



BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL

3/27	@ Fremont DH	4:00 pm
4/9	Reed City DH	4:00 pm
4/12	@ Hesperia DH	4:00 pm
4/16	Morley-Stanwood DH	4:00 pm
4/18	White Cloud DH	4:00 pm
4/20	@ Belding Invite	10:00 am
4/22	Montague DH	4:00 pm
4/23	Lakeview DH	4:00 pm
4/25	@ Ravenna DH	4:00 pm
4/26	@ Kent City DH	4:00 pm
4/30	Hesperia DH	4:00 pm
5/3	@ Morley-Stanwood DH	4:00 pm
5/4	GMAA @ Ravenna or N. Muskegon	9:00 am
5/7	@ White Cloud DH	4:00 pm
5/10	@ Lakeview DH	4:00 pm
5/14	Kent City DH	4:00 pm
5/17	@ Fremont -Cam Night-	6:00 pm
5/22	Newaygo DH	4:00 pm
5/28- 6/1	District @ Holton	TBA

BOYS JV BASEBALL

3/27	Fremont DH	4:00 pm
4/9	@ Reed City DH	4:00 pm
4/18	@ Oakridge DH	4:00 pm
4/20	JV Red Devil Invite	9:00 am
4/22	@ Montague DH	4:00 pm
4/23	@Lakeview DH	4:00 pm
4/25	Ravenna DH	4:00 pm
4/26	@ North Muskegon DH	4:00 pm
5/2	Whitehall DH	4:00 pm
5/3	Oakridge DH	4:00 pm
5/6	@ Shelby DH	4:00 pm
5/8	@ Cedar Springs DH	4:15 pm
5/10	Lakeview DH	4:00 pm
5/15	Shelby DH	4:00 pm
5/20	@ MCC	4:30 pm
5/22	@ Newaygo DH	4:00 pm

GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL

3/27	@ Fremont DH	4:00 pm
4/12	@ Hesperia DH	4:00 pm
4/16	Morley-Stanwood DH	4:00 pm
4/18	White Cloud DH	4:00 pm
4/20	@ Red Devil Invite	9:00 am
4/23	Lakeview DH	4:00 pm
4/26	@ Kent City DH	4:00 pm
4/30	Hesperia DH	4:00 pm
5/3	@Morley-Stanwood DH	4:00 pm
5/4	GMAA @Holton	9:00 am
5/7	@ White Cloud DH	4:00 pm
5/10	@ Lakeview DH	4:00 pm
5/14	Kent City DH	4:00 pm
5/16	Sparta DH	4:00 pm
	-Game @ Cornerstone University-	
5/22	Newaygo DH	4:00 pm
5/25	Bay City John Glenn invite	9:00 am
5/28- 6/2	District @ BR-Crossroads	TBA

GIRLS JV SOFTBALL

3/27	Fremont DH	4:00 pm
4/12	Hesperia DH	4:00 pm
4/13	JV Red Devil Invite	9:00 am
4/18	@ White Cloud DH	4:00 pm
4/23	Whitehall DH	4:00 pm
4/26	Kent City DH	4:00 pm
4/27	@ Tri-County Invite	10:00 am
4/30	@ Hesperia DH	4:00 pm
5/2	Whitehall DH	4:00 pm
5/3	Oakridge DH	4:00 pm
5/6	@ Shelby DH	4:00 pm
5/7	White Cloud DH	4:00 pm
5/14	@Kent City DH	4:00 pm
5/22	@ Newaygo DH	4:00 pm

RED DEVIL TRACK AND FIELD

4/9	Hesperia	4:00 pm
4/12	@ Newaygo	2:30 pm
4/16	@ Morley-Stanwood	4:00 pm
4/23	@ White Cloud	4:00 pm
4/26	@Kent City Invite	2:00 pm
4/30	@ Lakeview	4:00 pm
5/2	Kent City	4:00 pm
5/3	GMAA @Fruitport	9:00 am
5/9	CMAA @ Morley-Stanwood	4:00 pm
5/17	REGIONALS @	TBD TBA

MS TRACK AND FIELD

4/17	Home vs. Newaygo, Reed City	4:00 pm
4/24	Home vs. Hesperia	4:00 pm
4/26	GMAA @ R-P	3:00 pm
5/1	@ Big Rapids	4:00 pm
5/3	@ White Cloud Invitational	4:00 pm
5/8	@ Grant	4:00 pm
5/15	@ Morley-Stanwood	4:00 pm

Schedule subject to change. Check out our website at holtonathletics.weebly.com for most up to date information.

Winter All CSAA Athletes

Congratulations to the following athletes for earning all-conference this winter.

Nathan Slowik (Boys Basketball)
Aaron Herron (Boys Basketball)
Kaylie Piper (Girls Basketball)
Kylie Gould (Girls Bowling)
Emily Prell (Girls Bowling)
Taeli Masters (Competitive Cheer)

Volunteers Needed

This spring will bring many opportunities to get out and support your Red Devils. In order to host great events many volunteers are needed, especially during a track and field home event. If you are interested in volunteering to help in hosting track and field (no experience necessary) please contact the athletic director Jared Hudson at 231-821-1930 or judson@holton.k12.mi.us

Home track events this spring are scheduled for 3/27, 4/9, 4/17, 4/24, and 5/2.

ATTENTION ALL ATHLETES!!

WHAT: Athletic Sports Physicals

WHO NEEDS THIS: Any student that will be in 7th – 12th grade and would like to participate in a school sponsored sport during the 2019 - 2020 school year **must** have a physical to practice or play in a game.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 1st

WHERE: High School Locker Rooms

TIME: 8:00 a.m. (each grade will be called down to the locker rooms)

COST: FREE

Physical cards are available in the HS/MS office or you can print one off our website at www.holtonschools.com under "High School" then "Athletics" then "Forms and Resources". You **must** have this form ahead of time so the parent/guardian can fill it out and sign it. If you do not have a signed physical card with you at the time of the physicals the physical will **NOT** be done for free this day. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

If you do not get a physical at this time you must get one from your own physician's office.

HOLTON BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS 2018-2019

April		22nd
May	13th	28th (Tuesday)
June	10th	24th

*Meetings will be at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month. Meetings are held in the Administrative Office Building. (Unless otherwise posted.)

Board of Education Members:

Amy Brookhouse – President Suzanne English – Trustee
Jack Vanderboegh – Vice President Ranae Erickson – Trustee
Amber Cartwright – Treasurer Jayson Robins – Trustee
Brian Byrnes – Secretary

Start the Day with School Breakfast!

Did you know that your school offers a healthy **FREE** breakfast every day? Help make sure students are ready to learn by starting the day with school breakfast!

Why eat school breakfast? **Increased Productivity:**

Students who eat school breakfast have better attendance rates, improved behavior, decreased tardiness, and are more likely to have better comprehension and memory in class.

Better Health:

School breakfast can help protect students against obesity and other negative long-term health outcomes. It can also stop hunger-related tummy aches and headaches, decreasing visits to the school nurse.

Easier Mornings:

Eating school breakfast helps save money and gives families one less thing in the morning to worry about! Students can reliably eat a healthy, balanced meal every day.

School breakfast is available to all students, FREE, every day!

School breakfast includes fruit, whole grains, and protein, making a nutritious start to the day.

Breakfast location: Holton Elementary & Middle in the classroom;
Holton High in the Holton High School Cafeteria line.
Virtual Academy, GSRP, and Head Start in the classroom

Breakfast time: 8:50-9:00 am at Elementary;
7:20-7:50 am at Middle & Virtual Academy
7:10-7:45 am at the High School Cafeteria
8:30 am at GSRP and Head Start

Menu can be found at: <https://holtonschools.nutrislice.com/menu>

Questions or comments? Please call Kayleigh Macomber, Food Service Director, 821-1731

Notice of Local Wellness Policy

Learn more about our Food Service program, local wellness policy, and how to serve on our Wellness Committee by visiting <http://www.holtonschools.com/ourdistrict/foodservice/>.

Upcoming Events at Holton Library

Tuesday, April 2 – 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Spring Break Lego Challenge. Take the Lego Challenge, create new Lego Mini designs and more. All ages welcome.

Friday, April 5 – 2:00 p.m. – Spring Break Escape Box – Search for clues, solve the puzzles, unlock the box and win a prize. Ages 8-16.

Fridays – Now thru April 5 – 1:00 p.m. Sit and Be Fit

Tuesday, April 9 – Patron Appreciation Day ALL DAY – At all MADL Branches. It's National Library Week and time to celebrate our library users. Join us for treats, giveaways and crafts in all branches throughout the day. This party is all about you!

Tuesday, April 9 – 6:00 p.m. – Family Fun Night: Harry Potter. Spells will be flying! Join us for a magical evening of Harry Potter trivia, games, crafts and food while learning about British culture. Come dressed as your favorite character and enter our costume contest.

Fridays - April 12 – May 24 – 1:00 p.m. – Zumba Gold – Active older adults who are looking for a modified Zumba Class. Call AgeWell Services at 231-733-8643 to register.

Saturday, April 13 – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – Easter Egg Hunt. Call 821-0268 to register for this fun event.

Tuesday, April 16 – 2:00 p.m. – Advanced Care Planning

Tuesday, April 23 – 11:00 am – Money Smart Week

Tuesday, May 7 – 6:00 p.m. – Family Fun Night: Cinco de Mayo. Celebrate this Mexican tradition with our Cinco de Mayo Family Fun Night. Learn about the Mexican culture through stories, music, crafts and more.

Tuesday, May 14 – 6:00 p.m. – Skeleton Key Escape Box – A locked case, a mysterious will, a family fortune? Do you dare to try an Escape Room done library style? Work in a team to solve the puzzle of the skeleton key to unlock the case before time runs out! Be prepared to think on your feet.

Tuesday - Now thru May 7 – 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. – Holton Family Storytime.

Let's Talk About Books! – The third Tuesday of the month, the Holton Book Club meets to discuss their book of the month. For more information, please call the library @ 821-0268.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Holton Days Committee will be meeting soon for the 39th Annual Holton Community Days on July 25 - 26 - 27. Interested in volunteering? Please call Jack @ 231-747-5945.

We need your support.

SCHOOLS OF CHOICE ENROLLMENT

Schools of Choice enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year will be open on Monday, April 8th. You may pick up an application after Monday, April 8th at the Administration Office, 6500 Fourth St., if you wish to participate. The deadline to do so is Friday, May 24th, at 4:00 pm. If you have any questions please call (231) 821-1700.

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New Head Football Coach



Holton athletics is proud to announce our new varsity head football coach, Greg Mayer. Greg is a native Michigander and is returning home after spending the past 11 years in North Carolina as a teacher and coach. After graduating from Remus Chippewa Hills, Greg went on to play football for two years at Ferris State University. He brings with him 14 years of football coaching experience to our Holton program. Coach Mayer is excited to become a part of this community and brings enthusiasm to teach the game of football to student athletes. Greg is married to Kami and they have three children, Rebekah, Carson, and Kolton.