

Holden R-3 School District



**Aug/Sept
2023**

Welcome New Teachers & Staff
Upcoming Events
Family Resource Fair
Before & After School Care
Fill Out The Form!
School Supplies Again Provided

WELCOME!

Below are the people we are welcoming into our Holden R-3 Family for the 2023-2024 school year. A couple names may seem familiar as we are happy to welcome those individuals *back* to the district!

Andrew Bernier MS Special Education	Amelia Selsor 5th Grade
Preston Cole 8th Grade Math	Kimberly Smith Kindergarten
Jay Craven MS/HS Agriculture	Lori Smith 3rd Grade
Julie Fuller Kindergarten	Kailey Stallo 1st Grade
Emily Hanewinkel 3rd Grade	Kyle Stoecklein MS Principal
Emily Heller 2nd Grade	Scott Teufel HS English
Kim Hough Data Systems Coordinator	Laura Verbrugge 8th Grade Science
Kyra Johnson HS Special Education	Lauren West 8th Grade English
Loren Luther HS Math	Suzanne Williams 2nd Grade
Sammy Mousa 4th Grade	Lisa Idsinga ES Focus Room
April Placht HS Assist. Principal	Brandi Totta Preschool Assistant
Jocelyn Rowan Preschool	

6th Grade Bridge Day

*Friday, August 11
8:00am-2:00pm*

6th grade students are invited to attend to get their schedules, meet their new principal and counselor, find classrooms, learn the expectations of the building, and practice opening their locker.

Freshmen Orientation

*Thursday, August 10
1:00-3:30pm*

Freshman students are invited to attend to meet counselors and administrators, familiarize themselves with the building and procedures, and walk through their schedules.

Back-To-School Night

*Thursday, August 17
4:30-6:30pm*

Come find your way to your classroom(s), say hello to your teacher(s), and see familiar faces through the halls as we kick off the school year. Join everyone in the HS gym at 6:30pm to Meet the Eagles!

Family Resource Fair

Make sure to stop by the Family Resource Fair, being held in cooperation with Back to School Night on Thursday, August 17, 2023. In the high school cafeteria, from 4:30-7:00pm, various agencies will be present with information on help available in the community. FREE backpacks for students will also be available while supplies last. Johnson County Community Health Services (JCCHS) will be on-hand to provide needed immunizations for students (both insured and uninsured) with guardian permission; a fee may apply. Call JCCHS at (660) 747.6121 ahead of time for questions regarding fees.



Before & After School Care

Looking for before school and after school care? Check out Day Plus! Day Plus offers homework help and a variety of activities for students in grades Pre-K through 5th. During the school year, Day Plus operates from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. (mornings) and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (after school). Day Plus offers after school care on half days and programs during full days off and the summer as well. A variety of fee options are available for families on a limited budget. The district offers sliding scale fees to families which qualify for Department of Family Services financial assistance. For more information call Day Plus Director, Missi Hunter, at (816) 850-4444, ext. 3023.

2023-2024 CALENDAR At-A-Glance

August 22	First Day of School for Students	January 8	No School - Teacher Inservice
August 25	No School - Teacher Inservice	January 15	No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
September 4	No School - Labor Day	February 16	No School - Teacher Inservice
September 25	No School - Teacher Inservice	February 19	No School - Presidents Day
October 16 & 19	Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4-8 p.m.	March 4-8	No School - Spring Break
October 20	No School	March 29	No School - Easter Break
October 23	No School - Teacher Inservice	April 1	No School - Easter Break
November 20-24	No School - Thanksgiving Break	May 19	Graduation - Class of 2024
December 21	Early Release @ 1:15 p.m. - Teacher Workday	May 22	Last Student Day, Early Dismissal @ 1:15 p.m.
Dec 22 - Jan 5	No School - Holiday Break	May 23	Teacher Workday

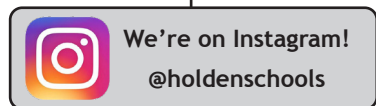
Some make-up days/hours are built into the schedule.

“The mission for Holden R-III School District is for all students, upon graduation, to have marketable skills or the basis to be eligible for post-secondary educational opportunities.”

August 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 New Student Enrollment @ Multipurpose Building 12pm-8pm	4 New Student Enrollment @ Multipurpose Building 8am-4pm	5
Please check the school website for the latest calendar information at holdenschools.org/calendar						
6	7	8	9	10 Freshmen Orientation @ HHS 1-3:30pm	11 6th Grade Bridge Day @ HMS 8am-2pm	12
13	14 Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm	15	16 Kindergarten Meet the Teacher Night @ HES 6-7pm	17 Back-To-School Night @ All Buildings 4:30-6:30pm Resource/Transition Fair @ HHS Cafe 4:30-7:00pm Meet the Eagles @ HS Gym 6:30pm	18 Varsity Football Jamboree @ Warrensburg 5:30pm	19 Varsity Softball Jamboree @ Lee's Summit North 10:00am
20	21	22 First Day of School Start Times: HES 8:10am HMS 8:00am HHS 8:00am	23 Varsity Volleyball Jamboree @ Clinton 5pm	24	25 NO SCHOOL Teacher Inservice Varsity Softball Tournament @ Adair Park Varsity Football v. Sherwood @ HHS 7pm *Youth Night*	26 Varsity Softball Tournament @ Adair Park
27	28 JV Football @ Sherwood 5:30pm	29 HS Volleyball v. Cole Camp @ HHS 5pm	30	31 Softball v. Pleasant Hill @ HHS 5pm HS Volleyball @ Barstow 5pm		



Our CHARACTERplus Trait of the month is

Cooperation - Working together toward a common goal

September 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Varsity Football v. Mid-Buchanan @ HHS 7pm *Teacher Appreciation Night*	2 Cross Country Varsity Meet @ St. Michael 8am
	 We're on Instagram! @holdenschools					
3	4 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	5 MS/Varsity Cross Country Meet @ Higginville 4pm Softball @ Knob Noster 5pm MS Football @ Sherwood 5:30pm JV Football v. Knob Noster @ HHS 5:30pm HS Volleyball @ Oak Grove 5:30pm	6	7 Softball v. Lexington @ HHS 5pm HS Volleyball v. Harrisonville @ HHS 5pm	8 Varsity Football @ Clinton 7pm	9 Varsity Softball Tournament @ Chillicothe MS Volleyball Tournament @ Crest Ridge 8:30am Varsity Volleyball Tournament @ Lexington 9am
10	11 Softball @ Nevada 5pm HS Volleyball v. Kingsville @ HHS 5pm JV Football v. Clinton @ HHS 5:30pm Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm	12 Softball v. Lafayette Co @ HHS 5pm MS Volleyball v. Odessa @ HMS 5pm MS Football @ Lexington 5:30pm HS Volleyball v. Odessa @ HHS 5:30pm	13	14 MS Cross Country Meet @ Pleasant Hill 4pm Softball @ Richmond 5pm HS Volleyball v. Carrollton @ HHS 5pm	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <i>Please check the school website for the latest calendar information at holdenschools.org/calendar</i> </div>	
17	18 Softball v. Odessa @ HHS 5pm MS Volleyball @ Lexington 5pm JV Football @ Butler 5:30pm	19 Softball v. Carrollton @ HHS 5pm MS Volleyball @ Lafayette 5pm HS Volleyball v. Knob Noster @ HHS 5pm MS Football v. Lafayette Co @ HHS 5:30pm	20 MS/HS Cross Country Meet @ Lone Jack 4pm	21 C Football @ St. Michael 5pm Softball v. Knob Noster @ HHS 5pm HS Volleyball @ Lexington 5pm	22 Varsity Softball Tournament @ UCM Varsity Football v. Lexington @ HHS 7pm *Homecoming*	23 Varsity Softball Tournament @ UCM Varsity Cross Country Meet @ Gans Creek Rec Area 8am MS Volleyball Tournament @ Pleasant Hill 8am JV Volleyball Tournament @ Odessa 8am
24	25 NO SCHOOL Teacher Inservice JV Football v. Lexington @ HHS 5:30pm	26 MS/HS Cross Country Meet @ Lamar 4pm Softball @ Sherwood 5pm MS Volleyball @ Knob Noster 5pm HS Volleyball @ Lafayette 5pm MS Football v. Richmond @ HHS 5:30pm	27 Softball @ Lexington 5pm MS Volleyball v. Carrollton @ HMS 5pm	28 Softball @ Lafayette Co 5pm HS Volleyball v. Richmond @ HHS 5pm	29 Varsity Football @ Lafayette Co 7pm	30 Varsity Volleyball Tournament @ Archie 9am

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Respect - Treating others the way you want to be treated

Contact Us

Central Office

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Grant Guevel, Principal
April Placht, Assistant Principal
Spencer Gudde, AD

Middle School

301 Eagle Drive (816) 732-4125
Kyle Stoecklein, Principal

Elementary School

1903 S Market (816) 732-6071
Sarah Burks, Principal
Paige Farmer, Assistant Principal

Transportation - Apple Bus

2000 S Clay Street (816) 732-6541
Kate Koch, Terminal Manager

General Questions

comments@holdenschools.org

School Website

holdenschools.org



HOLDEN SCHOOLS

Fill Out The Form - It Helps in Many Ways!

Completion of the Free/Reduced Price Meal Application benefits families and the school district in multiple ways, so apply even if you aren't sure if you'll qualify! *Participation rates directly impact schools' eligibility to receive state and federal funding, which provides valuable resources that play a key role in our students' success.* In addition, students who qualify for benefits may also be eligible for:

- Lower District Technology User Fees
- Discounted fees associated with applying for college
- Reduced fees for academic tests such as the ACT and AP exams
- Scholarship opportunities

If you filled out a form last year and your family qualified for free or reduced meals, there is a 30-day grace period from the beginning of the school year, during which your child will continue to receive those benefits. However, we recommend filling out the 2023-2024 form as soon as possible because it does take time to process. Scan the QR code and fill out a Free/Reduced Meal Form now to find out if your family qualifies for benefits. It's easy and may even eliminate meal prices and fees for your family!



School Supplies Again Provided for 23-24



We are excited to partner with community members and local churches again to provide basic school supplies FREE for all of our K-8 grade students - one less expense for our families as we head back to school! Specifically we would like to thank Andie Smith, our District Social Worker, for her coordination of this effort, which is a huge undertaking. Also, we appreciate Megan Gillette, Jill Carver, Rose Hill Baptist Church, and multiple additional anonymous donors for their generosity and dedication to the success of all Holden Eagles.

HOLDEN R-3 IS NOW USING
ParentSquare



Aug 17: Back to School Night 4:30-6:30pm
Aug 22: First Day of School!
Aug 25: No School - Enjoy the Holden Fair!
Sep 4: No School - Labor Day
Sep 25: No School - Teacher Inservice



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