

Holden R-3

School District



**Feb/Mar
2021**

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Strategic Planning Begins

Holden R-III School District is developing a new Strategic Plan that will guide us over the next five years to provide the best education possible for the students residing in our district. Six planning teams, each with their own area of focus, have begun to discuss what we are currently doing and how we should proceed in the future to meet the needs of the community, students, parents and guardians, and our staff members. The areas of focus are:

**FISCAL &
FIDUCIARY
RESPONSIBILITY**

**HUMAN
RESOURCES**

**CURRICULUM,
INSTRUCTION, &
ASSESSMENT**

**STUDENT
SUPPORT**

**FACILITIES &
SAFETY**

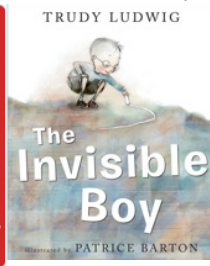
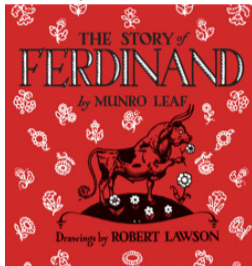
**EXTRA-
CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES**

The feedback received from each team will be utilized to develop goals, strategies, and action steps which will be reviewed and approved by the School Board later in the spring. The Holden R-III Strategic Plan (sometimes referred to as the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan or CSIP) plays an important role in accountability and state accreditation for the district.

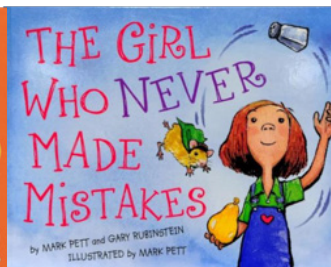
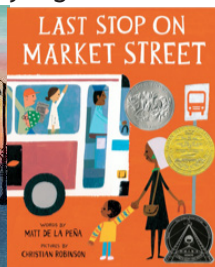
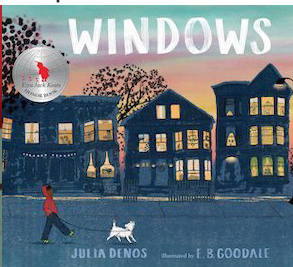
Social-Emotional Learning

Social - Emotional Learning (SEL) is the process through which all young people and adults acquire and apply the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to develop healthy identities, manage emotions and achieve personal and collective goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain supportive relationships, and make responsible and caring decisions. (CASEL)

The five broad and interrelated areas of competence are: self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making. Counselors across our district lead students through activities designed to strengthen their emotional intelligence and practice these important skills in order to have success in all areas of life. There are many books available on SEL topics, with struggles children today face. Below are some titles that we recommend incorporating into storytime at your house. These you can find at our elementary library:



And these can be requested through your local Trails Regional Library here in Holden at (816)732-4545 or <http://www.trailslibrary.org/about/hours-locations/holden-branch/>:

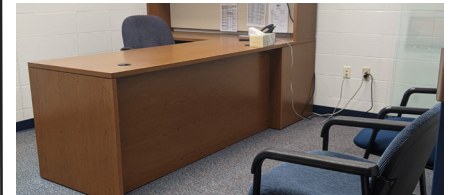


Bond Progress

A safer, more secure entrance at both the elementary and middle school are complete.



We are welcoming a second counselor who will be seeing Holden students at Eagle Crossroads, our on-site counseling offices.



Final touches are being made to the science room at the high school.



2020-2021 CALENDAR

February 15	No School - Presidents Day	May 20	Last Student Day, Early Release @ 1:15pm
March 15-19	No School - Spring Break		End of 2nd Semester
April 2 & 5	No School - Easter Break	May 21	No School - Teacher Workday
May 16	Graduation	May 31	Memorial Day

“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.”

February 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 HS Boys Basketball v. Knob Noster @ HHS C 5pm, JV 6:30pm, V 8pm	2 HS Boys Basketball v. Carrollton @ HHS JV 5pm, V 7:30pm HS Girls Basketball v. Carrollton @ HHS V 6pm Wrestling Triangular @ California 5:30pm	3 Scholar Bowl Varsity Quad, virtual meet v. Richmond 4:30pm	4 Wrestling Triangular @ Richmond 5:30pm	5 HS Girls Basketball @ Richmond JV 5pm, V 6:30pm HS Boys Basketball @ Richmond Middle C 5pm, JV 6:30pm, V 8pm Wrestling Girls Varsity Districts @ Grandview 5pm	6 Wrestling Girls Varsity Districts @ Grandview
7 HS Basketball Tournament @ Cass Midway Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm	8 HS Basketball Tournament @ Cass Midway Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm	9	10 Scholar Bowl Varsity Quad, virtual meet v. Knob Noster 4:30pm	11	12	13 Wrestling Boys Varsity Districts @ Butler
14	15 NO SCHOOL Presidents Day HS Girls Basketball v. Lexington @ HHS JV 5:30pm, V 7pm	16 HS Boys Basketball @ Lexington JV 5:30pm, V 7pm	17	18	19 Courtwarming HS Boys Basketball v. Lafayette @ HHS JV 5pm, V 8pm HS Girls Basketball v. Lafayette @ HHS V 6pm, JV 7pm	20 Wrestling Girls Varsity Sectional @ Harrisonville MS Science Olympiad @ HMS 8am
21	22 HS Girls Basketball v. Richmond @ HHS JV 5pm, V 6:30pm	23	24	25	26 HS Career Day, virtual event 8-11am	27 Wrestling Boys Varsity Sectional @ Versailles
28	<div> Follow us on Twitter! @HoldenSchools </div>			<div> We're on Instagram! @holdenschools </div>		

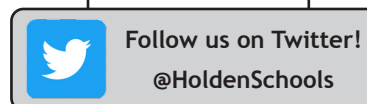
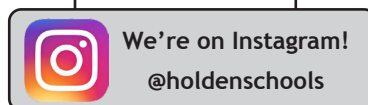
Our CHARACTERplus Trait of the month is

Compassion - caring how others think and feel

March 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 First Day of Spring Sports/Activities HS Girls Varsity Districts @ HHS HS Boys Varsity Districts @ TBD	2 <div>Please check the school website for the latest calendar information at holdenschools.org/calendar</div>	3	4 Spring Picture Day @ MS Library 8am Scholar Bowl Varsity Tournament, virtual meet @ HHS 4:30pm	5	6
7	8 Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm	9 Wrestling Girls Varsity State @ Independence	10 Wrestling Boys Varsity State @ Independence	11	12	13
14	15 <div>NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK</div> Baseball Varsity Jam-boree @ Knob Noster 4pm	16	17	18	19	20 Baseball Varsity Game v. Crane @ Reeds Spring 3pm Baseball Varsity Game v. Reeds Spring @ Reeds Spring 5:30pm
21	22 HS Track Varsity Meet @ UCM Baseball v. Sherwood @ HHS JV/V 4:30pm	23	24	25 HS Track Varsity Invitational @ California Baseball C Team Double Header @ Harrisonville 4:30pm	26 MS Track Meet @ Butler 3pm	27 HS Track Varsity Meet @ Butler 9:30am
28	29 Baseball v. Knob Noster @ HHS V 4:30pm, JV 6:30pm	30 HS Track Varsity Meet @ Warrensburg 4pm Baseball C Team Double Header @ Clinton 5pm	31			



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Perseverance - never giving up

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Distinguished Alumni Nominations

The Holden R-III School District is seeking nominations for its Distinguished Alumni Award. This award recognizes Holden High School graduates, graduated at least 10 years, who have made a significant contribution to their community or their field of work, or have been recognized for an outstanding achievement, accomplishment, contribution or act that has had a profound and positive effect. Supporting documents (i.e. newspaper articles, stories, letters of recommendations) are encouraged. Anyone may nominate a graduate for consideration. All nominees will remain on a nominee list for induction. Nominations will be considered by the Distinguished Alumni Selection Committee. Nomination forms are available at the school offices and on the district website at holdenschools.org/alumni. The deadline for nominations is March 8, 2021. The Distinguished Alumni Recipient(s) will be recognized during the Holden High School Graduation Ceremony on May 16, 2021, at 2pm in the Holden High School Gymnasium.

Artwork @ HMS



Kindergarten Screening

Have a child who will be 5 before August 2021? Mark your calendars for Kindergarten Screening! Screenings will be held Thursday, April 22 & Friday, April 23.



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