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Capital Project Completion

Our Holland 2021 Capital Project is nearing completion after a fast and furious, busy summer of construction inside our Elementary school boiler room and outside with the construction of our new 8 lane track, turf field, and field lighting.

Our Elementary School boiler room was completely gutted of the inefficient boilers and large hot water storage vessel, and now has a beautiful state of the art, efficient boiler plant and new high efficiency hot water heaters. New high efficiency air handlers/air movers have been installed in the Elementary school gymnasium to meet the demands of the air quality and air changes that are required and expected.

Our track project came with some unexpected challenges while trying to get out of the ground. Our beautiful hills of Holland bless us with a lot of water and at times, some unsuitable soils, of which we encountered both. Once these "problem" areas were addressed, the project moved forward with record speed, and all of the deadlines were met or are ahead of schedule. Our Holland campus now has one of the nicest track and field facilities in WNY, and is something that our students, staff and, community can enjoy and be very proud of!!







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Track and Field Ribbon Cutting



THANK YOU

Holland Board of
Education

Turner Construction

Gordon Jones
Associates Architects

Buffalo Engineering

Frey Electric

Greenauer Blacktop Inc

A-Turf

Scott Christ & the
Buildings and Grounds
Crew

Mr. Lawton, Mr. Adams,
Mrs. Cracchiola

Ormsby Culinary
Students



From the Desk Of:



Mrs. Wetzler, H.O.B. Principal

Dearest H.O.B. Community,

It has been a fantastic start to the school year! Your children are ready to learn and excited about the year ahead. I continue to be extremely proud to serve as principal of Harold O. Brumsted Elementary School. Our students, faculty and staff have begun to build relationships while establishing routines, procedures, and positive classroom communities. Learning is happening all around H.O.B and your children are engaged in the process. Our hallways and classroom bulletin boards are already showcasing amazing student work and the awesome learning taking place.

As always, we will look to our families to be positive partners in their child's educational journey. Thank you for sharing your most prized possession with us. We remain committed to providing a learning environment where every child feels valued and safe. We will always put the best interests of our students at the center of our purpose. Join us in ensuring the success

of all H.O.B. students. Your partnership is important; stay engaged, stay positive, and stay connected. In addition to checking your student's purple folder nightly and asking them about their day, be sure to connect with your child's teacher on SeeSaw. Not only is this a way to stay up to date on H.O.B. building communication and classroom notifications, but a place where your students' assignments, projects and class photos are shared. If you haven't already, download the ParentSquare app for all district communication, including emergency closure notifications. Together, let's make it a great year!

With Gratitude,
Mrs. Kelly Wetzler



Mr. Ford, Middle School Principal

We are looking forward to a great year full of fun, growth, and learning and are off to a great start! At the Middle School, we continue to make the student experience the focus of our work, which pushes us to: 1) Constantly aim for innovative, engaging lessons, 2) Focus on the whole child, not just their academic side, 3) Make sure fun and connection has a place in every day, and 4) Plan for big events that give students things to look forward to.

Our first big event comes up in a few weeks with Innovation Day. I am so excited each year about this program as it truly sets Holland apart. Rather than just a traditional Career Day where students hear about jobs in a lecture style, we instead have about 20 representatives from area careers come in and actually "do" their jobs with the students, giving them hands-on, real-world experience with how things they learn in

Science, Technology, and Math classes are applicable to the world around them. This is truly an example of one of our district goals of giving students "big opportunities in a small-town package" in action. Be sure to ask your child how the day went on October 20th!

Bryan Ford
Middle School Principal

PS: Be sure to look out for my Bi-Weekly Bulletin via Parent Square/email every other Tuesday to get your Holland MS updates.



From the Desk Of:



Mr. Jacobs, High School Principal

It's hard to believe that we are already one month down into the school year. For our seniors, this year is bittersweet, and before they know it, it will be graduation. We have much to celebrate this year from the opening of the new track and field complex, to a variety of new elective courses, and following up with all the amazing teachers we have here at Holland High School.

During the first week of October, we will be starting up our After School Academic Program (ASAP). This program is designed to help students with homework, assignments, tutoring, or any extra help they may need. All our high school students are welcome to utilize this resource. Students who are consistently struggling in their coursework may be required to attend. Also starting in October is our Extra-Curricular Intervention Program (ECIP). This program is proactively geared toward students involved in extracurricular activities. Students placed in ECIP must complete a student contract, communicate, and cooperate with the

ECIP coordinator to successfully complete their academic work and serve the required time to be released from the program. The criteria for being placed in ECIP are based on the student's performance on the Interim Reports and Report Card marking periods. If a student is unsuccessful at these assessment benchmark periods, he/she will be placed in the ECIP program for five weeks until the next Interim or Report Card grades are determined. More information on these two programs can be found in our student handbook.

As we work to increase our communication with families and the community, please make sure to download the ParentSquare app if you have not already. Students should download the StudentSquare app for all their communications. I look forward to a great school year!

-Mr. Jacobs, High School Principal



The class of 2024 gather for their "last first day" of high school together the morning of September 6.

Welcome to the Team!

Say hello to the newest faces of
the HCSD family!



Brittany Thoma
Business Official



Austin Pierce
Data Privacy Officer



Alison Pierpaoli
Special Education



Matt Monaco
MS/HS Technology



Colette McDonald
Full-Day UPK



Amanda Stewart
Library Media Specialist



Lisa Scapillato
HS English



Jared Wangelin
ES Special Education



Pam Widger
HS Special Education



Sabrina Diebel
MS 12-1-1



Jennifer Schneider
Registered Nurse



John Norcia
Bus Driver



Liam Kelly
MS Social Studies



Linda Vogel
Cafe Monitor



Sarah Bialy
HS Special Education



Heather Schneider
ELA Special Education



Alyssa Edstrom
Special Education



Steven Kielich
HS English



Taylor Vanderbush
Chemistry/Physics



Dawn DeChow
UPK



Paul Banko
MS/HS Technology



Nicole Farrell
HS Cook



Kristen Smith
Laborer



Jeany Stangl
Bus Driver



Desireah James
HS Teacher Aide



Carrieanne Hartley
UPK Teacher Aide



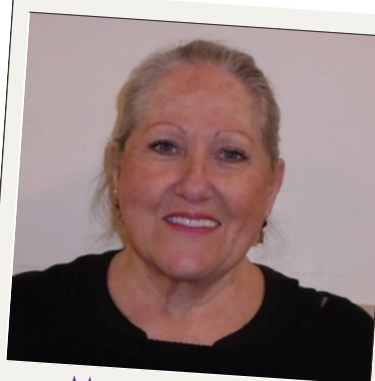
Deb Wright
HS Teacher Aide



Jenna Grazen
MS Physical Education



Abdeel Jaimie Velazquez
MS Spanish



Marcella Knabb
Substitute Bus Driver



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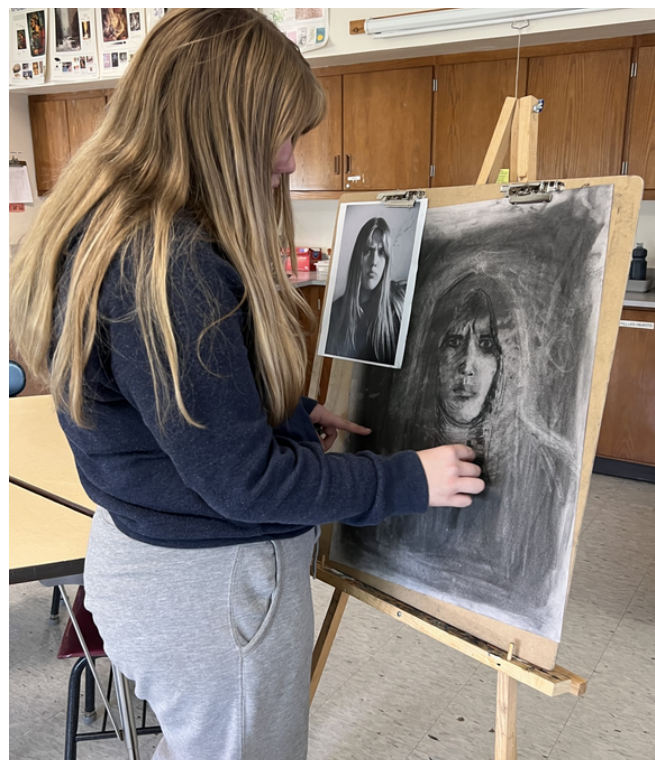
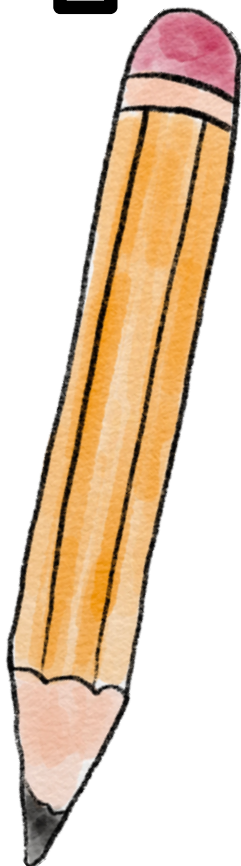
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An Eye on ART



Lydia Peterson, Grade 10
Plant Study in Watercolor and Pen



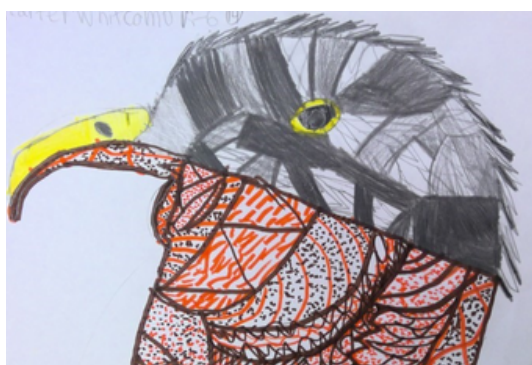
Jessica Seguin, Grade 12
Working on Subtractive Tonal Portrait



Gabby Dern
Mixed Media- Zentangle/Realism



Kali Reisdorf
Mixed Media - Color Scheme Gesture
Drawing



Carter Whitcomb
Mixed Media - Zentangle/Realism



Briana Wirth, Grade 11
Watercolor and Marker



Holland Central School District

VISION

Ignite a passion to thrive in an ever-changing world.



MISSION

To cultivate active learners through a meaningful and relevant educational experience that prioritizes student well-being, builds resiliency, and prepares them to be engaged, contributing members of society.

DISTRICT GOALS

Student Achievement...

is a commitment to helping every student meet their full potential while providing them with the resources and experiences needed for success beyond graduation.

Partnerships...

that empower and support all members of the Holland community to be leaders of learning with collective responsibility to meet goals and objectives of the district.

Wellness and Preparedness...

is to support and build understanding of how to promote mental, physical, and emotional well-being while respecting and valuing the differences of others.

Employee Engagement...

that nurtures and supports dedicated personnel to provide all students with big opportunities in a small-town package.

SAVE THE DATE



October 6

15 Minute Early Dismissal Drill



October 9

Indigenous Peoples' Day-
NO SCHOOL



October 13

Progress Reports on Portal
Grades 5-12



October 20

MS Innovation Day
ES PTO Trunk-or-Treat



October 23

BOE Meeting
6pm @ ES Library



October 27

Superintendent's Conference Day-
NO SCHOOL for Students

