

**HIGHLAND ~ A LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE**

**BE RESPECTFUL**

**BE ENGAGED**

**BE COMPASSIONATE**

**BE EMPOWERED**


**SHARON FAMILY BULLETIN**

**WE LEAD**

**WE LEARN**

**WE GROW**

**December 2024**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>2</p> <p><b>Merry Monday</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite holiday pajamas</p> <p>(To celebrate the holiday season, we are offering optional spirit days throughout the month!)</p>	<p>3</p> <p><b>Holly Jolly Shirt Day</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite holiday shirt</p> <p><b>Holiday Shop</b></p>	<p>4</p> <p><b>Candy Cane Lane Day</b></p>  <p>Wear red &amp; white</p> <p><b>Holiday Shop</b></p>	<p>5</p> <p><b>School Spirit Sparkle Day</b></p>  <p>Wear your school shirt &amp; lights</p> <p><b>Holiday Shop</b></p> <p>Music Programs, 3rd Grade, 6:00 PM 4th Grade, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>6</p> <p><b>Festive Flannel Friday</b></p>  <p>Wear your festive flannels &amp; plaids</p> <p><b>Holiday Shop</b></p>
<p>9</p> <p><b>Merry Mickey Monday</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite Disney gear</p> <p><b>JD Food Drive Week</b></p>	<p>10</p> <p><b>Tidings of Kindness Tuesday</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite positive message</p>	<p>11</p> <p><b>Winter Wonderland Wednesday</b></p>  <p>Wear white and/or blue</p>	<p>12</p> <p><b>Head-to-Holiday</b></p>  <p>Wear a holiday themed hat or headband</p>	<p>13</p> <p><b>Highland Holiday</b></p>  <p>Wear your Highland gear &amp; lights</p>
<p>16</p> <p><b>Mele Kalikimaka Monday</b></p>  <p>Wear a Hawaiian shirt &amp; sunglasses</p>	<p>17</p> <p><b>Jolly Cozy Toes-Day</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite holiday socks</p>	<p>18</p> <p><b>Warm Wishes Wednesday</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite comfy holiday outfit</p>	<p>19</p> <p><b>Trim-a-Team Day</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite team jersey &amp; lights</p>	<p>20</p> <p><b>Holiday Cheer Day</b></p>  <p>Wear your favorite holiday gear</p> <p>Parties, 1:45-2:45</p> <p>End of 2nd Quarter</p>



Sharon Elementary School's Annual  
*Jan Duncan Memorial*

**FOOD**



**DRIVE**

**DECEMBER 9-13, 2024**

DONATIONS HELP SUPPORT THE ST. PAUL SHARING CENTER

**MOST NEEDED ITEMS:**

Pbj, Hearty Soups, Tuna, Boxed Cereal, Pre-Packaged Snacks & Canned Meals (Spaghetti-Os & Ravioli)

..... (No Glass Please) .....

DONATIONS MAY BE SENT TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD.



# SCHOOL WIDE BEHAVIOR SYSTEM

## HIGHLAND HORNETS

All students at Sharon Elementary follow the same set of rules and expectations throughout all areas of the school including the bus.

**Rule #1** Be Respectful **Rule #2** Be Engaged **Rule #3** Be Compassionate **Rule #4** Be Empowered

---

## SHARON ELEMENTARY PTO



### Sharon PTO Officers

President: Jennifer Grabenstetter, [jennlr10@hotmail.com](mailto:jennlr10@hotmail.com)  
Secretary: Lauren Fairbanks, [fairbanks\\_lauren@yahoo.com](mailto:fairbanks_lauren@yahoo.com)  
Volunteer Recruitment: Betsy Hartschuh, [betsylbh@gmail.com](mailto:betsylbh@gmail.com)  
Treasurer: LeAnne Fuetter, [lfuetter@truxandequipment.com](mailto:lfuetter@truxandequipment.com)

---

## 2024-2025 YEARBOOK










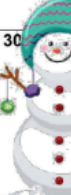




[ybpay.com](http://ybpay.com)

Yearbook ID Code: 11582425

# HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY LUNCH MENU

The lunch menu is now available to print. The printable menu is located to the right on the [lunch page](#) in a blue box labeled CLICK TO PRINT COLOR MENU. Questions? Please contact the Highland Food Service Department at 330-239-1901, ext. 5512 or email [emakarek@highlandschools.org](mailto:emakarek@highlandschools.org).

 <b>Highland Elementary Lunch Menu</b> Choose the lunch of the day or Peanut Butter and Jelly Lunch 2024-2025 Students \$3.25 – Adults \$3.90 – Extra Milk .65									
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday					
<b>December 2</b> Mini Corn Dogs Diced Carrots Pears or Juice Chocolate Chip Cookie Milk 	<b>December 3</b> Chicken Nuggets Roll Baked Beans Applesauce or Juice Orange Sherbet Milk	<b>December 4</b> Cheeseburger on a Bun Twister Fries Corn Fresh Orange or Juice Milk	<b>December 5</b> Romeo's Pizza Crinkle Cut Oven Fries Fresh Broccoli Florets with Ranch Fresh Grapes or Juice Milk	<b>December 6</b> Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla Fiesta Black Beans Fresh Berries or Juice Fruit Snacks Milk 					
<b>December 9</b> Hot Dog on a Bun Waffle Fries Baked Beans Peaches or Juice Fortune Cookie Milk	<b>December 10</b> Tony's Personal Pan Pizza Corn Tossed Salad Fresh Apple or Juice Teddy Grahams Milk 	<b>December 11</b> Chicken Tenders Roll Penne Pasta with Alfredo Sauce Broccoli Florets Mandarin Oranges or Juice Milk	<b>December 12</b> Romeo's Pizza Diced Carrots Fresh Grapes or Juice Chocolate Pudding Milk 	<b>December 13</b> French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Tater Tots Fresh Berries or Juice Danimals Strawberry Yogurt Milk					
<b>December 16</b> Holiday Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Roll Pears or Juice Milk	<b>December 17</b> Breaded Chicken Patty on a Bun Corn Applesauce or Juice Rice Krispies Treat Milk	<b>December 18</b> Walking Taco Crinkle Cut Oven Fries Fresh Baby Carrots with Ranch Fresh Orange or Juice Holiday Cookie Milk	<b>December 19</b> Romeo's Pizza Smiley Fries Fresh Broccoli Florets with Ranch Fresh Grapes or Juice Milk	<b>December 20</b> Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks Marinara Sauce Tossed Salad Garbanzo Beans Fresh Berries or Juice Vanilla Ice Cream Cup Milk					
<b>December 23</b> 	<b>December 24</b> 	<b>December 25</b> 	<b>December 26</b> 	<b>December 27</b> 					
<b>December 30</b> 	<b>December 31</b> 								

This Institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider

Elem5

## SAFE SCHOOLS SPEAK UP!



Several years ago, the Highland Local Schools partnered with Public School Works to offer the “Stay Safe, Speak Up!” hotline. The purpose of this service is to report issues that affect safety and allows students, parents and staff to do their part to maintain a safe environment and promote a positive culture within our schools. Stay Safe, Speak Up! provides easy, private, confidential and anonymous reporting of concerns within the Highland Local Schools. The link is found on all pages (under Quick Links) of the district website. Remember, if you see something, say something. Immediately report any of the following concerns to a trusted adult or administrator, or feel free to use the hotline.

1.866.listen2me (1.866.547.8362)

# HOLIDAY PARTIES



Holiday parties for K-5 students will be held on December 20 at 1:45-2:45 p.m. We look forward to this being a fun event for our students! Due to capacity limitations and the safety of our students and staff, we are limiting volunteers to five per classroom. Families sign-up to volunteer with their child's classroom teacher prior to each event. The list of expected visitors/volunteers is then given to the office. Only those volunteers listed will be permitted in the building during the parties. If you are volunteering for a party and plan to take your other child(ren) home from a different classroom, please send in a note to the appropriate classroom teacher(s).

---

# DECEMBER MUSIC PERFORMANCES



**Thursday, December 5th**  
**Sharon Elementary Stage**

**3RD GRADE ~ 6:00 PM**

**4TH GRADE ~ 7:30 PM**



# Sharon Elementary

## HOLIDAY SHOP

DECEMBER 3RD-6TH

ALL STUDENTS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOP DURING THEIR ENCORE TIME. PLEASE SEE DATES BELOW FOR WHICH DAY YOUR CHILD WILL SHOP.

AN ENVELOPE WILL COME HOME IN YOUR CHILD'S FOLDER PRIOR TO SHOPPING. PLEASE SEND YOUR CHILD WITH THEIR FILLED OUT ENVELOPE AND MONEY (CASH OR CHECK MADE OUT TO SHARON PTO) ON THEIR SHOPPING DAY.

FOR INVENTORY AND SHOPPING TIME LIMITS, WE KINDLY ASK YOU KEEP YOUR CHILD'S SHOPPING LIST TO UNDER 8 PEOPLE.

12/3  
SULZBACH  
ASH  
SALMONSKI  
VORNDRAN  
LUCIUS  
SCHROEDER  
BOGGS

12/4  
STEINMETZ  
REED  
FRANZ  
HECKMAN  
SOPATA  
REEDER  
BLUM

12/5  
THONNINGS  
SESLER  
KILWAY  
ANSBERRY  
MEYERS  
WOODS  
VALANTASIS

12/6  
BARDAR  
STENROOS  
HELTON  
LEWIS  
HARRIS  
SMILEY  
LARGE

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT LAUREN FAIRBANKS @ FAIRBANKS-LAUREN@YAHOO.COM

Enjoy Winter Break!



**December 23- January 3**

**SCHOOL RESUMES**

**January 6, 2025**

---

**WINTER GEAR**



As the weather continues to get colder, please make sure that students come to school dressed for the temperatures. If you are unable to provide your child with winter gear, please contact the school office and we will help provide a winter coat, hat, gloves or mittens and boots.

---

**2ND/5TH GRADE ASSESSMENT**

Highland second and fifth graders will be taking the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) during the first week of December. There is no preparation for the test except for a good night's rest and a nutritious breakfast. If you have questions regarding your child's specific testing schedule please contact the classroom teacher. The CogAT is administered to all second and fifth graders as well as new third grade students and is used as our grade-level screener for superior cognitive gifted identification. We inform our students that the test is a way for us to learn about their problem solving skills.

# HIGHLAND BRANCH LIBRARY PROGRAMS



**Register at the library for events - limited space available.**

## **December**

**December 7:** Who stole the cookie from the cookie jar? Join us as we use our detective skills to determine who stole the cookie!

**December 16:** Holiday Storytime - Come dressed in your pajamas as we sip hot cocoa and read holiday stories and listen to holiday music. 6:30pm

**December 23:** Pokémon Trading Card Hour - Come and use this time to trade with fellow collectors! (Grades 3-5). 6:00pm

## **January**

**January 6:** Abominable Snowman Painting (Grades 3-5). 6:00pm

**January 16:** Pom Pom Snowman Paint. 6:00pm

**January 27:** Pokémon Trading Card Hour - Come and use this time to trade with fellow collectors! (Grades 3-5). 6:00pm

## **February**

**February 6:** Thumb Print Heart Magnets - Join us as we make a special Valentine's Day keepsake. 4:00pm

**February 17:** The Presidential Pancake - Join us and make a perfect pancake in a mug (Grades 3-5). 11:00am

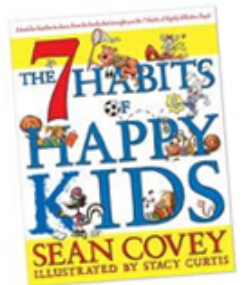
**February 24:** Pokémon Trading Card Hour - Come and use this time to trade with fellow collectors! (Grades 3-5). 6:00pm

---

## SHARON LEADERSHIP

### **Habit 4: Think Win, Win ~ Everybody Can Win!**

- I can problem solve when an issue comes up with another person.
- I think about what other people want and not just what I want.
- I am kind to others and try to think of ways to help everyone to be happy.



Let your  
heart be  
light. 

**On behalf of everyone at Sharon,  
may you have a wonderful holiday  
with family and friends.**