

# Holden R-3 School District



Apr/May  
2026

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## Student Reps on Holden City Council

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Two Holden High School students have joined the Holden City Council, as non-voting members, to have a voice as youth residents. Selected and screened by Holden High School administration, these two outstanding individuals will continue to attend meetings, provide insight, and participate in discussions towards building ongoing civic engagement and leadership. Juniors, Ashtyn Treece and Neil Tebbenkamp will continue to represent young residents throughout the 2025-2026 school year.

Discussing what the future holds for our city council with our youth representatives, Tebbenkamp shares, "I see [youth] improving the future by having more voices in our city and representing the young residents in Holden." In agreement with her fellow youth city council member, Treece notes that their key duties are "to learn more about how our city government works, and provide the student perspective in the real world." Additionally, this opportunity has allowed Tebbenkamp to join the city council 'Community, Economic, and Industrial Development Committee,' which provides knowledge and a voice towards property zoning and the benefits to the city of Holden.



This innovative initiative has been submitted to the Missouri Municipal League for the MML Innovation Award. As the recipient has not been announced at this time, Holden is proud to share the ongoing initiative that has provided youth residents representation in our city council.



## Three Members Join the School Board

This April, we welcome three new members to our Board of Education: Georgia Jarman, Debbie Doney, and Jaime Schutte. With three candidates filing for three open seats, an election was not required. We appreciate their willingness to step forward and serve our students, staff, and community.

School board members play an important role in setting the direction of the district. They work collaboratively to establish policies, approve the budget, and support the superintendent in ensuring a high-quality education for all students.

Members serve three-year terms and are elected (or, in this case, seated) to represent the interests of our community while keeping student success at the center of every decision. We look forward to working with our new board members and are grateful for their commitment to public education.

## 2025-2026 CALENDAR At-A-Glance

Apr 3 & 6	No School - Easter Break
Apr 27	No School
May 17	Class of 2026 Graduation Ceremony
May 21	Last Day of School - Early Release
May 22	Teacher Inservice/Workday

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

## Take in a Track Meet

We are once again hosting our annual Special Olympic track meet on Wednesday, April 22 and we hope you can come experience the excitement! Our athletes have been practicing, honing their skills for events such as the softball throw, 50 meter wheelchair race, running long jump, and 25 meter walk. Opening Ceremony, with a parade of athletes, begins at 9:30am on the Holden High School track.

Many Holden students from all grade levels volunteer to make this event a success; they assist with everything from event setup and athlete check-in to timing races, escorting athletes to their events, or compete as unified partners.



"The mission for Holden R-3 School District is for all students, upon graduation, to have marketable skills or the basis to be eligible for post-secondary educational opportunities."

# April 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Holden R-3 and area districts have Hudl cameras which catch many of our sporting events LIVE for you to watch from anywhere! Check it out by scanning the code. To watch away games, go to fan.hudl.com and search for our opponent's school.</p>  		 <p><b>1</b></p> <p>MS Track @ HHS 4pm</p> <p>Baseball V/JV v. Harrisonville @ HHS 4:30pm</p> <p>Boys Tennis v. Richmond @ HHS 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>HS Track @ Odessa</p> <p>Baseball V/JV @ Lexington 4:30pm</p> <p>Grandparent Art Night @ HES 6-8pm</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>NO SCHOOL</b> Easter Break</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	
<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>NO SCHOOL</b> Easter Break</p> <p>MS Track @ HHS 4pm</p> <p>Baseball V/JV @ Lafayette Co 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Baseball C Team Doubleheader @ Harrisonville 4:30pm</p> <p>Wrestling Banquet @ HS Cafe 6pm</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Baseball V/JV v. Warsaw @ HHS 5pm</p> <p>HS Girls Bball Banquet @ HS Cafe 6pm</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>Golf Varsity Quad @ Lafayette Co 4pm</p> <p>MS Track @ Oak Grove 4pm</p> <p>Baseball V/JV v. Adrian @ HHS 4:30pm</p> <p>Boys Tennis v. Lafayette Co @ HHS 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>HS Track Varsity Invitational @ HHS 4pm</p> <p>Baseball C Team v. Pleasant Hill @ HHS 6pm</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> 
<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>MS Track @ Archie</p> <p>Baseball Varsity Tournament @ HHS 4pm</p> <p>Baseball C Team Doubleheader @ Oak Grove 4:30pm</p> <p>Boys Tennis @ Richmond 4:30pm</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>HS Track Varsity Invitational @ Richmond 3pm</p> <p>Baseball Varsity Tournament @ HHS 4pm</p> <p>Golf Varsity Quad @ Shirkey GC, Richmond</p> <p>Baseball C Team Doubleheader @ Odessa 4:30pm</p> <p>Boys Tennis @ Knob Noster 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Immunization Clinic @ Mutli Purpose Building 9am</p> <p>Baseball Varsity Tournament @ HHS 4pm</p> <p>Golf Varsity Tri @ Shirkey GC, Richmond</p> <p>MS Track @ Cass Midway 4pm</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>HS Track Varsity Invitational @ Lexington</p>  <p>Baseball Varsity Tournament @ HHS 4pm</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>HES PTO Donuts w/ Grownups @ ES Gym 7am</p> <p>MS Track @ Higginsville</p> <p>HS Track Varsity Invitational @ Knob Noster</p> <p>Baseball Varsity Tournament @ HHS 4pm</p> 	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>HS Science Olympiad State @ UCM</p>
<p><b>19</b></p> 	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>PreK Activity Night @ HES 6pm</p> <p>Golf Varsity Quad @ Carrollton 4pm</p> <p>HS Track @ Higginsville 4pm</p> <p>Baseball V/JV v. Richmond @ HHS 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Golf Varsity Quad @ Sandstone GC</p> <p>MS Track @ Lexington 4pm</p> <p>Baseball C Team Doubleheader v. St. Michael @ HHS 4:30pm</p> <p>Baseball V/JV @ Carrollton 4:30pm</p> <p>Boys Tennis @ Carrollton 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>Special Olympics Track Meet @ HHS 9am</p> <p>Golf Varsity Tournament @ Higginsville Country Club 8:30am</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>MS Track @ Adrian</p> <p>Baseball C Team Doubleheader @ Pleasant Hill 4:30pm</p> <p>Baseball V/JV v. Knob Noster @ HHS 4:30pm</p> <p>2nd &amp; 3rd Grade Music Performance @ HS Gym 6pm</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Baseball JV Tournament @ Odessa</p> <p>HS Track @ Oak Grove</p> <p>Early Childhood Screenings &amp; Eagles Nest Enrollment @ HES 8am-4:30pm</p> <p>HMS PTSO Kids' Night Out @ MS Commons 5-8pm</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>Baseball JV Tournament @ Odessa</p> <p>HS Track Varsity Invitational @ Clinton</p>
<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p><b>NO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>MS Track @ Harrisonville</p> <p>Baseball V/JV v. Lafayette Co @ HHS 4:30pm</p> <p>Boys Tennis @ Lafayette Co 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Boys Tennis Varsity Tournament @ Warrensburg</p> <p>Baseball V/JV @ Lexington 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>  <p>Boys Tennis Varsity Districts</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">  <p>We're on Instagram! @holdenschools</p> </div>	

Our CHARACTERplus Trait of the month is

## Integrity - always doing the right thing & being honest

"No matter how educated, talented, rich or cool you believe you are, how you treat people ultimately tells all. Integrity is everything." ~ Inky Johnson

# May 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<p><b>1</b> HS Band State Solo &amp; Ensemble Festival @ MU Boys Tennis Varsity Districts Mock Accident/MADD Presentation @ HHS MS Track @ Carrollton 4pm Baseball V/JV @ Lawson 4:30pm 8th Grade Formal Dance @ HMS 6-8pm</p>	<p><b>2</b> Boys Tennis Varsity Districts Prom @ Milestones Barn 7-10pm </p>	
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Boys Tennis Varsity Districts Golf Varsity Tournament @ Shirkey GC, Richmond 9am Baseball V/JV v. Warrensburg @ HHS 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Boys Tennis Varsity Districts Golf Varsity Tournament @ Shirkey GC, Richmond 9am Baseball V/JV v. Warrensburg @ HHS 4:30pm</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Boys Tennis Varsity Districts HS Band Final Concert @ HS Gym 7pm </p>	<p><b>6</b> Boys Tennis Varsity Districts Baseball C Team Doubleheader @ Warrensburg 4:30pm Baseball V/JV v. Oak Grove @ HHS 4:30pm FFLA Banquet @ HS Cafe 6pm</p>	<p><b>7</b> Golf Varsity Districts Boys Tennis Varsity Districts Baseball V/JV v. Carrollton @ HHS 4:30pm FFA Banquet @ HS Cafe 6pm</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Preschool Graduation @ HES MS/HS Choir Concert @ HS Gym 7pm </p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>HS Track Varsity Districts @ HHS </p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Baseball V/JV @ Richmond 4:30pm Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>HS Music Awards Banquet @ HS Gym 7pm</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Baseball V/JV v. Cole Camp @ HHS 5pm</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Boys Tennis Varsity State Kindergarten Graduation @ HS Gym 5:30pm</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Baseball Varsity Districts Career Day @ HMS Boys Tennis Varsity State Farewell Dance @ HMS 6-8pm</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Boys Tennis Varsity State HS Track Varsity Sectionals</p>
<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Class of 2026 Graduation @ HS Gym Doors open at 1pm Ceremony at 2pm</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Baseball Varsity Districts Golf Varsity State</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Baseball Varsity Districts</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p><b>EARLY RELEASE</b> MS/HS @ 1:10pm ES @ 1:20pm <b>Last Day of School</b> Boys Tennis Varsity State</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>Boys Tennis Varsity State HS Track Varsity State</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>HS Track Varsity State</p>
<p><b>24</b> <b>/31</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Baseball Varsity Sectionals</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p><b>FIRST DAY OF SUMMER SCHOOL</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>
<p>Please check the school website for the latest calendar information at <a href="http://holdenschools.org/calendar">holdenschools.org/calendar</a></p>						

Our CHARACTERplus Trait of the month is

## Courage - holding to your beliefs even when it is difficult

"Take chances, make mistakes. That's how you grow. Pain nourishes your courage. You have to fail in order to practice being brave." ~ Mary Tyler Moore

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## School Website

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# HALL OF FAME

*Nominations  
Open*



Do you know an athlete, coach, or contributor who has made a lasting impact on Holden R-3 athletics? Nominate them for the Holden Hall of Fame! This recognition celebrates individuals whose dedication and achievements have shaped our athletic programs. Learn more and submit a nomination at [holdenschools.org/halloffame](https://holdenschools.org/halloffame). Nominations are due by May 17, 2026.



# Early Childhood Screenings

Do you have a preschool-aged child and live within the Holden R-3 School District? We invite you to schedule an appointment for our Early Childhood Screening on Friday, April 24 at Holden Elementary. This is also a great opportunity for families interested in enrolling their child in Eagles Nest Preschool—new families can complete the enrollment application during their visit. Screenings help identify developmental milestones and support a strong start to your child's school experience.

April 24  
8am-4:30pm  
@ Holden  
Elementary



To schedule an appointment, please call (816) 732-6071. Be sure to bring your child's birth certificate, immunization record, and two proofs of residency (such as a utility bill or lease/mortgage agreement).

Apr 3 & 6: NO SCHOOL - Easter Break  
Apr 27: NO SCHOOL  
May 4-8: Teacher Appreciation Week  
May 21: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - Early Release

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