

# HOLBROOK SCHOOL NEWS

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April 6, 2026

## APRIL VACATION

April vacation begins April 20<sup>th</sup> and ends April 24<sup>th</sup>.  
Don't forget to mark your calendars!

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## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Every month from September through May, there will be a student from each grade level chosen "Student of the Month." The decision is based on academics, character, attitude, and school citizenship. The students selected for the month of March are:

- Grade 5 – Brinley Hutchins
- Grade 6 – Emily Berube
- Grade 7 – Parker Kennedy
- Grade 8 – Kooper Nyer



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## SECOND TRIMESTER STATS

**Congratulations to the following students who achieved all "A"s for the second trimester:**

Grade 5: Briana Greer, Camden Cyr, Jesse Kinkade, Brayden Millet, Thomas Boom, and Miles Curtis.

Grade 6: Ava Roberts, Freddie Churchard, and Mycah Qualey.

Grade 7: Ashton Congdon, Landon Lagrange, Madison Malm, Jacquelyn West, Silas Wood, Tegan Wier, Connor Downs, and Madison Kingsbury.

Grade 8: Delilah Luce, Nathan Berube, Elizabeth Downs, Kooper Nyer, Lily Schaub, and Nora Williams.

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**Students who were able to maintain an "A" and/or "B" average the second trimester are:**

Grade 5: Clara Bailey, Lily Creasy, Tyrell Gage, Maizie Hawes, Oliver Mitton, Olivia Linscott, Dante Chibuye, Xander Kingsbury, Payton Millett, Annabelle Tozier,

Abygail Wright, Cooper Basley, Avery Boyd, Addilyn Franck, Tate Goodrow, Lyra Hollobaugh, Brinley Hutchins, Ember Jones, Violet Ocasio, Lexi Packer, and Savannah Thomas.

Grade 6: Penelope Stewart, Emma Osborne, Toralyn Dualan, Andy Dougherty, Paxton Lander, Brielle Mitchell, Emily Berube, Aubrey Bouchard, Zoe Bowers, Kydin Cox, Alivia Davis, Hadley Fish, Daphne Moore, Harrison Oullette, Reese Campbell, Jace Dupuis, Eli Foster, Gavin Ham, Kairi Jacobson, Charlotte Ocasio, Wesley Ocasio, Nora Osborne, Tucker Perry, Addison Wagner, Ethan Willigar, and Laynee Sands.

Grade 7: Gavin Dunn, Penelope Howes, Charles Laverdiere, Raelene Wilson, Ryder Bowden, David Brooks, Jacob Glidden, Maddox Jandreau, Aubrey Junkins, Parker Kennedy, Aiden Sirois, Zoe Wallace, Rylan Russell, Hazel Armel, Andrew Garcia, Brooke Robertson, Eliezra Bruton, and Nicholas Fitch.

Grade 8: Jayden Smith, Rachel Willett, Sienna Williams, Rowan Dupuis, Chris Griffin, Aliyah Hintz, Ella McAdam, Maddie Berube, Myles Brideau, Acatia Clark, Brendan Greer, Ellie Legasse, Kaley Murphy, Henry Osborne, Austin Wright, Kiernan Allen, Owen Arisimeek, Jaxson Grass, Kamden Lander, Alex Morin, Hunter Robertson, and Liam Burtchell.

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**The following students achieved perfect attendance for the second trimester:**

Grade 5: Clara Bailey, Addilyn Franck, and Oliver Mitton.

Grade 6: Toralyn Dualan, Kody Kennedy, Paxton Lander, Brielle Mitchell, Emma Osborne, Penelope Stewart, and Addison Wagner.

Grade 7: Steven Carr, Azreal Josiah, and Raelene Wilson.

Grade 8: Christopher Griffin and Kamden Lander.

***Congratulations!***

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## MAINE THROUGH THE YEAR TESTING

Students will take Maine Through The Year tests in May:

- April 29 & 30 MTTY – Math – All Grades  
(during regular math class time)  
May 6 & 7 MTTY – ELA – All Grades  
(during regular ELA class time)

Students should get plenty of rest and a good breakfast on testing days. Please try to avoid scheduling appointments or arriving late on the testing dates.

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## SPRING PICTURES

The Spring Pictures that were scheduled on March 26<sup>th</sup> were cancelled. Students and families will be notified as soon as they're rescheduled.

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## SCHOOL VISITORS

For safety purposes, any visitor to the school must report to the office immediately upon entry into the building. They will need to sign the visitor log book, and they will receive a visitor tag. The visitor tag must be worn and visible at all times while they are in the building. When it is time to leave, the visitor should check in with the secretary and sign out in the log book. Once they have signed out, the visitor should exit the building promptly. Thank you for helping keep our school safe!

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## LOST & FOUND

Don't forget to check the Lost & Found if you are missing sweatshirts, shirts, jackets, boots, hats, scarves, water bottles, and other items. Jewelry, earbuds, glasses, and similar small items may be claimed in the office.



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## CANNED SOUP DRIVE AND PET FOOD & TREATS DRIVE

Your soup donations have been counted and we have a winner for the extra recess prize – Congratulations goes to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade! They brought in 63 donations. Mrs. Archambault will let the 6<sup>th</sup> grade know when they will be awarded their extra recess. Holbrook school as an entirety donated a total of 120 cans of soup. Great job Holbrook!

Holbrook is holding a Pet Food & Treats Drive through April 30<sup>th</sup>. The grade with the most donations will win an extra recess!

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## ATTENDANCE

Thank you for helping students get in on-time for a smooth start to their day. If students are not in their homeroom by 8:25 they are considered late to school and will need a pass from the office before beginning their day.

Students arriving late should have a note from a parent stating why they are late. You can also call or email and leave a message letting us know your child will be late and the reason. If you are calling your child out for the day, we need a reason for their absence, not just that they will be out.

Please review the attendance rules in the Student Handbook which can be found on the RSU 63 website. This will provide more information.



**CHEFS** could use non-perishable items. Staple items we like to keep on hand are: peanut butter, canned meat (tuna, chicken, etc.), canned pasta (ravioli, spaghetti-o's, etc.), canned vegetables, canned fruit, soup, boxed pasta, cans or jars of spaghetti sauce, and toilet tissue. Donations may be dropped off at the school in the entryway near the Superintendent's Office whenever the school is open.

Hours of operation are:

Every Thursday – 5:00-6:00 p.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month – 9:00-10:00 a.m.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| April 10    | 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Hudson Museum             |
| April 10    | Glow Dance @ Holbrook School 6pm-8pm                          |
| April 20-24 | April Vacation  |
| April 27    | School Board Meeting @ Eddington School - 6:30PM              |
| April 29    | World Culture Fair in Cafeteria 3:30pm-5pm                    |
| May 4       | Trimester 3 Progress Reports Sent Home                        |
| May 8       | Professional Day - No School                                  |
| May 8       | 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Semi Formal Dance at Meadowbrook Events |
| May 11      | Signed Progress Reports Due Back to School                    |
| May 18      | School Board Meeting @ Holbrook School - 6pm                  |
| May 25      | Memorial Day - No School                                      |

Dear Families,

As we welcome the month of April, it's hard to believe how quickly the school year is moving along. With spring already here, this time of year often brings a mix of excitement and challenges for our students. Warmer weather and the anticipation of upcoming vacations can make it more difficult for students to stay focused and maintain strong routines.

At school, we will continue to emphasize consistency, structure, and clear expectations to help all students stay on track academically and behaviorally. Establishing and maintaining routines is especially important during this time, and we appreciate your support at home in reinforcing these expectations.

April is also a busy month filled with learning opportunities, activities, and events. We encourage students to stay engaged, complete assignments on time, and continue putting forth their best effort. Our goal is to ensure every student finishes the school year strong.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

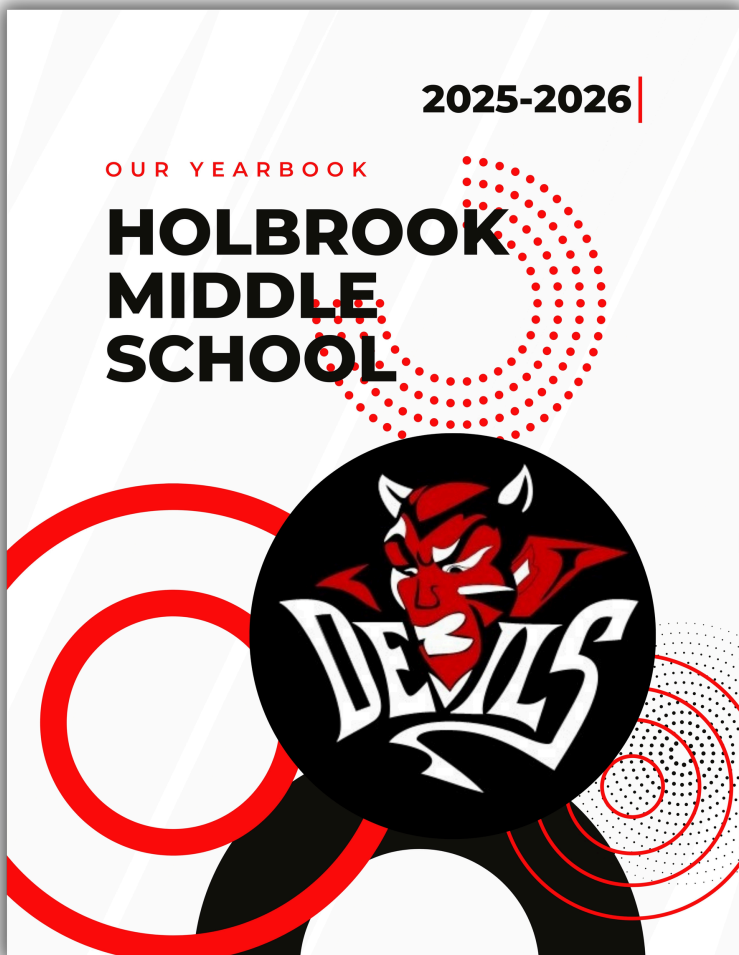
Sincerely,  
Michele Archambault



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FOR 5TH - 8TH GRADERS**

**HOLBROOK  
GLOW  
DANCE**

**VOLUNTEER/  
CHAPERONE  
SIGN-UP:**



**FRIDAY  
APRIL 10**

**6-8 PM**

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

***\*BAGS WILL BE SEARCHED AT THE DOOR FOR SAFETY\****

## **GLOW DANCE HELP WANTED!**

We could use help from willing Holbrook families with set up, chaperoning, and cleanup is always a snap when many hands make light work.

Can't make it, but want to donate concessions?

Click the QR Code on the flyer, or cut and paste this link, to sign up: <https://forms.gle/MrHjp2mEoHpieEah6>

Thanks to all for chipping in to keep this event free for the Holbrook students.

LET'S GLOW!

## **Help Bring Back After-School Outing Club!**

A team is working to restart after-school outing club opportunities for students in the Holden, Dedham, Eddington, and Holbrook school communities for the 2026–2027 school year and they'd love your help.

They're looking for parents and community members who are interested in helping shape this program, whether by sharing ideas, assisting with planning, or supporting activities. No prior experience is needed, just an interest in getting kids outside and engaged.

**Their next planning meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, April 6 from 6:30–7:30 p.m.** If you'd like to join the conversation, receive the Zoom link, or share ideas and questions, please contact [katherine.garland@maine.edu](mailto:katherine.garland@maine.edu).

Please consider being part of bringing this opportunity back for our students!

# 2026-2027 School Registration is Open!

THE EDDINGTON SCHOOL IS  
ACCEPTING ENROLLMENT  
AND REGISTRATION  
PAPERWORK FOR  
PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN  
STUDENTS

Children must be 4 years of age by  
October 15, 2026 for PreK and  
5 years of age by October 15, 2026  
for Kindergarten

Registration forms are available on the RSU #63  
website([www.RSU63.org](http://www.RSU63.org)) or can be picked up at  
the Eddington School

Any questions, contact:  
[KJSMITH@RSU63.ORG](mailto:KJSMITH@RSU63.ORG)  
207-843-6010

# Required Immunizations

## Immunization requirements for school entry are:

### PreK

- 4 DTaP
- 3 Polio
- 1 MMR
- 1 Varicella

### Kindergarten

- 5 DTaP
- 4 Polio
- 1 MMR
- 2 Varicella

### 7<sup>th</sup> grade Immunization requirements:

- All of the above plus
- 1 Tdap
- 1 Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (MCV)



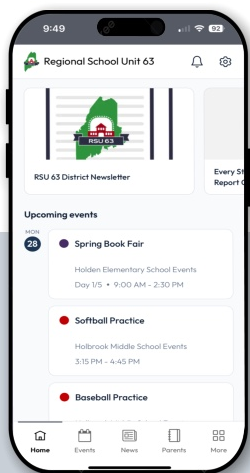
- Medical exemptions must be signed by your PCP
- Students must have proof of vaccination before starting school
- Bangor Public Health provides [vaccines](#) for children.

### ***ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS (Policy JEA)***

Maine law limits the reasons why students can be absent from school. The following circumstances constitute “excusable absences” (please see RSU #63 Policy JEA for more information):

**As per Policy JEA:** To be an excused absence, the parent/guardian must contact the school on the morning of the absence to explain the reason the student will not be in school. The parent/guardian may provide documentation before the absence explaining the reason the student will not be in school and the timeframe for the anticipated absence. Excusable absences are as follows:

1. Personal illness;
2. An appointment with a health professional that must be made during the regular day;
3. Observance of a recognized religious holiday when the observance is required during the regular school day;
4. A family emergency;
5. A planned absence for an educational purpose that has been approved by a school administrator (Planned Absence for an educational purpose, approved in advance by the principal, is considered an excused absence. An educational component is required in order to be considered for approval.);
6. Education disruption resulting from homelessness, unplanned hospital admittance, foster care placement, youth development center placement, or some other out-of-district placement that is not authorized by either an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or a Superintendent’s Agreement developed in accordance with MRSA section 5205 subsection 2;
7. Section six (6) above does not apply to a student who is out of school for 10 or more consecutive school days because of a planned absence for a reason such as a family event or a medical absence for planned hospitalization or recovery;
8. A student who has matriculated and is attending an accredited, post-secondary, degree-granting institution as a full-time student. An exception to the attendance in public school must be approved by the Commissioner of Education;
9. A student enrolled in an approved on-line program or course.



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# APRIL 2026

| HOLBROOK SCHOOL  |  | BREAKFAST MENU   |   |  | MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE |  |
|--|--|--|---|--|------------------------|--|
| MONDAY   | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY   |                        |  |
|  |  | YOGURT PARFAIT OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>1</sup>  | BREAKFAST PIZZA OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>2</sup>  | MUFFIN OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>3</sup>  |                        |  |
| BAGEL OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>6</sup>           | CINNAMON ROLL OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>7</sup>   | YOGURT PARFAIT OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>8</sup>  | BREAKFAST PIZZA OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>9</sup>  | MUFFIN OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>10</sup> |                        |  |
| ENGLISH MUFFIN OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>13</sup> | SCONES OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>14</sup>         | YOGURT PARFAIT OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>15</sup> | BREAKFAST PIZZA OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>16</sup> | MUFFIN OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>17</sup> |                        |  |
| VACATION <sup>20</sup>                                 | VACATION <sup>21</sup>                                 | VACATION <sup>22</sup>                                 | VACATION <sup>23</sup>                                  | VACATION <sup>24</sup>                         |                        |  |
| BREAKFAST BAR OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>27</sup>  | BREAKFAST WRAP OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>28</sup> | YOGURT PARFAIT OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>29</sup> | BREAKFAST PIZZA OR CEREAL<br>FRUIT & MILK <sup>30</sup> |  |                        |  |

Note: All milk choices are 1% or fat free. Milk is \$0.50 per milk. • A sun butter and jelly sandwich is available in place of the scheduled lunch. • This institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider.

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| HOLBROOK SCHOOL   |   | LUNCH MENU                             |   |  | MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE |  |
|---|---|--|---|--|------------------------|--|
| MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY                              | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY   |                        |  |
|   |   | 1<br>PIZZA<br>CARROTS<br>FRUIT & MILK  | 2<br>SLOPPY JOE'S<br>PASTA SALAD<br>BAKED BEANS<br>FRUIT & MILK       | 3<br>LOADED TATER TOTS W/ CHEESE &<br>BACON<br>SALAD BAR<br>TRAIL MIX<br>FRUIT & MILK  |                        |  |
| 6<br>CHEESY CHICKEN RICE<br>BROCCOLI<br>FRUIT & MILK                | 7<br>CHICKEN & WAFFLES<br>BAKED BEANS<br>FRUIT & MILK               | 8<br>PIZZA<br>CARROTS<br>FRUIT & MILK  | 9<br>CHEESE BURGER<br>FRIES<br>SALAD BAR<br>FRUIT & MILK              | 10<br>CHICKEN<br>PASTA SALAD/ SALAD BAR<br>TRAIL MIX<br>FRUIT & MILK<br><b>(6TH GRADE FIELD TRIP BAG<br/>LUNCH FLUFFERNUTTER<br/>SANDWICHES)</b> |                        |  |
| 13<br>CHICKEN NUGGETS<br>FRIES<br>FRUIT & MILK                      | 14<br>SWEET N SOUR CHICKEN<br>OVER RICE<br>BROCCOLI<br>FRUIT & MILK | 15<br>PIZZA<br>CARROTS<br>FRUIT & MILK | 16<br>TACO PASTA<br>CORN, BLACK BEANS<br>FRUIT & MILK                 | 17<br>HAM & CHEESE WRAP<br>CUKES<br>FRUIT & MILK   |                        |  |
| 20<br>VACATION  | 21<br>VACATION  | 22<br>VACATION                         | 23<br>VACATION  | 24<br>VACATION   |                        |  |
| 27<br>FRENCH TOAST STICKS<br>SAUSAGE<br>BAKED BEANS<br>FRUIT & MILK | 28<br>CHICKEN ALFREDO PASTA<br>BROCCOLI<br>FRUIT & MILK             | 29<br>PIZZA<br>CARROTS<br>FRUIT & MILK | 30<br>BUFFALO CHICKEN QUESADILLA<br>CORN, BLACK BEANS<br>FRUIT & MILK |  |                        |  |

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