



HOLYOKE

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DRAGON TIMES

There are lots of things happening in Dragon Country. Check here for school menus, sporting events, and community events each week.

Week of March 1 - March 5

Monday: JH VB Practice Starts

Breakfast

Lunch

Tuesday: HS SW v Liberty depart 10:00 AM
HS BB at Burlington depart 2:15

Mon -Breakfast
Bars

Cheese Pizza
Chicken Bisicut
Bacon Cheeseburger

Wednesday:

Tues Chicken
English Muffin

Chicken Nuggets
Cheese Pizza
Chicken Bacon Melt

Thursday: HS Cheer Pics 6:00 PM

Friday: No School - Teacher In-service
HS WR @ Akron depart 11:30 AM
HS BB w/Limon 4:00 PM

Wed- Cinnamon
Toasted Crunch

BBQ Pork Sandwich
Chicken Bacon Melt
Cheese Pizza

Saturday: HS WR @ Akron depart 8:30 AM
HS SW in Eaton depart 7:30 AM - no fans

Thurs- Sausage Egg
Croissant

Sausage and Cheese Calzone
Cheese Pizza
Chicken Sandwich

Fri- No School

Gym Renovation Update

By: Kenzie Rau

HOLYOKE CO- This week we have more updates about the New New Gym renovation! We spoke to another of the 4 major donors. According to Mr. Hale representative of Holyoke Community Federal Credit Union "To be honest these are going to be the future people of the town, and it is very important to give them what they need." He also said " The decal looks well made and planned out, and we're very proud to represent Holyoke High School!" We also reached out to Melissa Memorial Hospital, but as of publishing we have not received a response.



Holyoke-Haxtun Rivalry/Games

By:Anessa Colglazier

HOLYOKE CO- February 23,2021 the boys and girls basketball players play haxtun. Each player got to bring 5 guests since we are in the blue section. Head Coach Baumgartner and assistant coach Carper coached the varsity girls to win 60-55 and the JV girls lost 12-5. It was a great game to watch. According to Coach Baumgartner "I do not know if there is added pressure but the students know each other" On a normal year there is a lot of fans in the stands but for covid year the fans we exited. The boys lost 60-55 to haxtun. The JV boys won and the JV girls lost.Coach Baumgartner never thinks easy because there is always a way to be beat.

High school Basketball

by Mason Sprague

Holyoke CO - This week the Dragons played two games. On February 19 they played Sedgwick County. Sedgwick County didn't have enough to form a JV that day. The HS boys won 54 - 43. The Girls won 64 - 44. The girls played great. Their most recent game was against Haxtun on Feb 23. The JV Boys won 48 - 35. Gage Sprague hit a three to open up the game for the Dragons. Alec Sprague also scored 8 points in the first half. The JV girls sadly lost 5 - 16. It wasn't in the favor for the Dragons this time. Varsity boys also lost 55 - 60. It was a great game. Cash Weber had a great game scoring lots of threes. Alec Sprague said, "Basketball video games got me into playing basketball," and for it being his last season he said, "It is what it is."

Mememes



<https://www.weareteachers.com/teacher-memes-school-reopening/>

Junior High Basketball

By: Teagan Martin

HOLYOKE, CO - On Monday this week, the junior high girls played Akron. Both A, B, and C teams played on Monday. First, the C team played and the starters were: Grace Hubbard, Briana Tena, Jersie Gipson, Ellie Kleve, and Emma Sprague. The final score was 15-16 with the Akron Rams winning the C game. The B team game was next, and the starters were: Lucinda Mares, Sophia Bencomo, Fatima Nunez, Parker Steggs, and Nicole Schlachter. The final for the B team game was 9-24, Akron winning. Last, the A team played and the starters were: Isabelle Kropp, Courtlyn Kinnie, Anessa Colglazier, Ava Koberstien, and Alicia Tores. The A team also sadly lost 8-30. Luckily, no one fouled out in the A, B, and C games. This was the junior high girls last game of the season because they did not make it to the championship. On Monday during the game, each person on the team could have five people come, so there were many people in the stands. The basketball games were being streamed live by Holyoke TV Production on Monday. You can still re-watch it if you would like to. Anessa Colglazier said, "My first year of junior high basketball could've been better, but I still liked it."



Next week, stay tune because I will be writing about Parent Teacher Conferences.

JH Wrestling

By Emma Sprague

HOLYOKE CO-People may have thought about how wrestlers would wrestle with all of the covid and all of the COVID-19 regulations. Well just like every other sport they have to wear their masks 24/7 besides when they have to wrestle. They don't have to wear their masks while they wrestle because it's considered a choking hazard. They only have 4 bashes (bashes is what they call wrestling meets) which two are placed in Akron and two which are placed in Merino. Typically there would be more people on the team but due to preference there are only 9 people on the wrestling team this year. As you and another person are violently wrestling each other it is very common for you to get hurt. They didn't necessarily know how safe wrestling was with all the COVID-19. Where you go in the state for your sports determines how many visitors you can have, considering Holyoke is in the blue stage meaning that we can be safer at our home but there are not any concerns for a COVID-19 breakout. Not everyone is wearing their masks as they attend sports events but the Dragons are because we want all the students who participate in sports to have the chance to play.

CHSAA Sports Rules

All this information is according to CHSAA about sports rules.

Masks-

Everyone must arrive to practice wearing a mask.

All non-active participants (coaches, volunteers, and managers) must wear a mask throughout practice. This includes athletes not actively participating in drills/practice.

Social Distancing- Restrict your practices to essential personnel only (coaches, volunteers, and managers).

Appropriate social distancing (minimum 6 feet) must be maintained on all areas used for practice.

They must consciously stand at least six feet apart when not participating in a drill or activity that requires closer contact, and should avoid confined areas such as locker rooms and dugouts if social distancing cannot occur. No handshakes, high-fives, fist bumps, or elbow bumps.

Intentionally keep water bottles a minimum of 6 feet apart so that social distancing can occur during breaks. Consider spacing in cafeterias, classrooms, weight rooms, athletic training rooms/locker rooms, hallways, and other on-campus venues.

Dress Code Modification

By Dahiria Castillo

HOLYOKE CO - The dress code has been a pretty controversial topic over the years. This school year our principal, Mrs. Powell, has come together with students to discuss changes they would like to see made in the dress code. Since Mrs. Powell is a new principal, she feels it is worth a chance to at least take a look at the dress code. She thinks it's important to involve students in the conversation because it affects them so they should be able to voice their own opinion in the decision. It is something she values. Every other week on Mondays, there are dress code meetings where students meet with Mrs. Powell and share their ideas on changes they would like to see made. Female students have felt singled out because the dress code mainly pertains to female garments. The group has talked about topics such as tank tops, shorts, leggings and hats. Many people have wondered the rule on hats, Mrs. Powell comments, "Hats are still not allowed in any government building. To me, it's a sign of respect (to not wear a hat in school)." Hats will still not be allowed to be worn in school after all the decisions and changes have been made. That is the one thing that will not be considered to change. The school had heard from students that they didn't agree with the dress code and what was in it. These changes will be seen happening next year and because of the length of the process.

Dress Code

The following items are not acceptable in school buildings or grounds during school hours (7:30am-4:00pm) or while representing Holyoke at school sponsored activities.

1. Any clothing, paraphernalia, grooming, jewelry, hair coloring or style, accessories, or adornments that are or contain any advertisement, symbols, words, slogans, patches or pictures that:

- Refer to drugs, tobacco, alcohol or weapons
- Are of a sexual nature
- By virtue of color, arrangement, trademark, or other attribute denote membership in gangs which advocate drug use, violence, or disruptive behavior
- Are obscene, profane, vulgar, lewd or legally libelous
- Hair must be out of the eyes, both eyes must be visible at all times
- Otherwise disrupt the teaching/learning process

2. Sunglasses and/or hats worn inside the building

3. Bandanas or "Colors"

4. Any clothing where undergarments are visible at any time

The rest of the dress code can be found here!

<https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/e98e2e1069bc5e466e3ac04c4ed65b1c/Student%2>

Seminar Games

Roslynn Doorn

Last Friday in the junior senior high school we took our eighth period seminar class, every class got relaxed and played charades with opposing classes. We gotta play these games thanks to the Dragon Spirit club here in our school. The Dragon spirit club meets often, at the last meet all of the different grades came up with game ideas, and ways to show our spirit. All of the classes had the same questions. Mrs. Clayton and Mrs. Goldenstien decided to go through some of the ideas the committee made. Although in the past the seminar classes have played games only including small amounts of people from our class, they wanted to play a game where everyone was included. One of the Junior High students, Anessa Colglazier, said that "I enjoyed the games but I wish my Seminar class won." Even though the game was very fun, it was stressful to others who did not want to get up to the front of the class. Although there was no occasion, the teachers thought it would be a good way to end the Friday with some fun and relaxing.



FFA Week

By Layna Wear

HOLYOKE, CO - FFA Week's purpose is to celebrate the organization. It is a national event and the month of February is called CTE month. CTE stands for Career Technical Education. We are not sure how FFA Week began but it has been around for a long time and is celebrated everywhere. This year there was no Barnyard day because The administration didn't want the high school kids mingling with the Elementary kids. The FFA kids and Mrs. Strecker hope to have it outside during spring, with less restrictions. There will also be no teacher kissing a pig this year as the administration didn't want to do that either. When Barnyard Day is held, they hope to have Kiss A Pig as well. Ag Olympics are going to look different compared to past years. This year the whole school will not be watching, Ag Olympics were held during classes. Students enjoy the different days they get to dress up and watching the Ag Olympics, so we all hope it will go back to normal eventually.



Photo Credit: Mrs. Strecker

FCCLA Projects

By Grace Whisenhunt

HOLYOKE, CO - Students of the FCCLA class, run by Mrs. Ortner, have been doing projects for their class. Some examples of these projects include tie blankets for the daycare in Haxtun, an FBI speaker on Saturday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., survivor buckets for all of the classrooms, Melissa Memorial Hospital appreciation projects, the Walk-a-Thon, and professional presentations. The



purpose of this is to "find

something that the students are passionate about then do something about it." and give them the skills they need to prepare them for life, and help them find things that they're passionate about for the future. On the projects this year, Mrs. Ortner says, "We've had a super involved chapter this year, despite the pandemic. We maybe were even more involved, and I'm really impressed by it."

Next Week

The new play that Ms. Mehl is running has had cast assigned. Tune in next week to hear details!

