

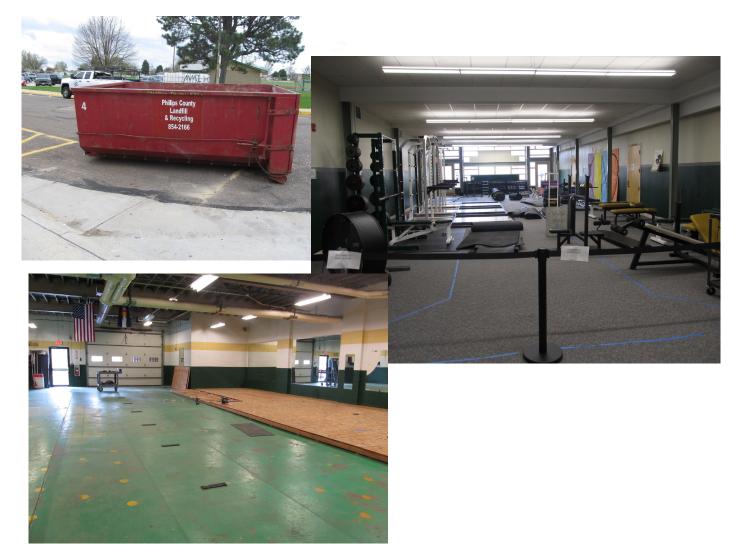
There are lots of things happening in Dragon Country. Check here for school menus, sporting events, and community events each week.

Week of May 16 - May 21	Breakfast	Lunch
Sunday: Baccalaureate 12:30 First Christian Graduation 2:00 Football Field Monday:	Mon- Sausage/Egg Croissant	Cheese Pizza Chicken Biscuit Bacon Cheeseburger
Tuesday: Golf @ Yuma Baseball @ Caliche	Tues - Sausage Pancake on a stick	Chicken Nuggets Cheese Pizza Chicken Bacon Melt
Wednesday:	Wed - Breakfast Bar	BBQ Sandwich
Thursday: First day of Finals FFA Banquet		Cheese Pizza Chicken Bacon Melt
Friday: Last day of Finals: Half Day Saturday : Summer Break Begins	Thurs - Sausage Cheese Biscuit	Sausage/Cheese Calzone Pizza Chicken Patty
	Fri - Cocoa Puffs	Manager's Choice

Renovations

By Layna Wear

HOLYOKE, CO - We all know about the roll-off bins placed around the school. Many of us, however, don't know why they are there. Well, the school is being remodeled. The school received a Building Excelling Schools Today (BEST) Grant which is allowing them to fix things that were out of date and be able to meet certain requirements so the school can be ADA compliant. The renovations started this week and are scheduled to last until August 16 of this year, which is right before school starts. The entrance, High School locker rooms, as well as the Junior High wrestling rooms are some of the areas being renovated. The office will move to the entrance and where the office is currently located will be turned into a kitchen. The High School locker rooms will be getting an upgrade and the concession stand will be turned into a training room. Mrs. Powell believes the school will look and feel new while retaining the same feeling it currently has. According to Superintendent Kyle Stumpf, the school applied for the BEST Grant from the State of Colorado in February of 2020 \$2,500,000.00 and was informed that they were awarded it in May of 2020. The school was granted the full amount of \$2.5 million, but before they were able to use it they had to pass a local bond in our community for an additional \$2.2 million. In November of 2020, the Holyoke School District held a bond election and thankfully the community approved the bond to support the BEST Grant. Finally, in January of 2021, the planning started for the BEST Project with a total cost of \$4,700,000.00.



Senior Breakfast

By Emma Sprague

HOLYOKE CO-This Wednesday was the seniors last day of highschool. For a long time the Agenda Club of Holyoke hosted the senior breakfast at HHS. They weren't able to do this for a little bit but the staff had selected this as a last event to show the seniors how proud they are of them for making it all the way through high school. They have continued to start the breakfast at 7:30 am, as to where everyone else gets to come to school later so the seniors can have their morning with their teachers. A small committee will get together to buy a gift for the seniors before breakfast and the people on the committee this year are Mrs.Bieber, Mrs.Clayton, Ms.Hutches, Mrs.Maloney, and Mrs.Strecker. The breakfast will start off with a speech by the school administrator and a speech from the class president. A variation of breakfast food will be served by Chartwells. While everyone is eating a slideshow of the seniors will be playing. After they are done eating everything the seniors will get their gift from the staff then they will head out and do graduation practice. The late start will start at 9 since the breakfast ends at 8:45. This event is held to show the seniors that they are happy for them for working so hard to reach their dream, and to show that they will also miss them because they won't be seeing them that often. All of the teachers that have seniors in their classes are going to miss them very much and had a great time teaching them.





LPAA Regional Track Meet

By: Kenzie Rau

HOLYOKE CO- On friday May 7th There was a Junior High League Track meet. The schools that attended were Holyoke, Merino, Akron, Haxtun, Wiggins, Caliche, and Sedg-CO. Anessa Colglaizer placed first overall in all of the events that she did. The events that she participated in were the 100 meter dash (14.66), 200 meter dash (29.32), 800 sprint medley(2:06.46), and the 4x400 meter relay (4:44.19). We asked her a few questions about the meet! The first question was "What were your thoughts on league track?" Her response was "I thought that it was something fun to participate in, and I had a driven mindset to do well at the meet and It all ended up being good for our team!" The second question was "How do you feel about the track season being over?" "I am very sad because we didn't get to have very many meets compared to past years." Anessa quoted. We also asked Emma Sprague questions about the meet. The first question was "How do you feel about this being your last track meet of Junior High?" "I'm sad because these were the only meets that we got to have during junior high due to COVID." Emma said. Next we asked her "Do you plan on doing track in high school and if so why?" She responded with "Yes I plan on doing it next year because I find it very fun!" The weather that day was around 60-87 degrees. A lot of the teams put up canopies for shade, and to keep cool. Some of the other people placed down blankets on the grass so that you wouldn't get the wet grass on you. Ava Koberstien and Ben Kleve both got first in pull vault.









Rocket Debris

By Dahira Castillo

CHINA - Last week on April 29, China launched rocket Long March 5B. The rocket was China's largest spacecraft, the reasoning behind the largeness of the rocket was, "the country's space program needed a large, powerful vehicle to carry Tianhe, the main module of Tiangong, the new space station..." While taking off, a part of the rocket had loosen and fallen back to Earth. The piece of debris was 25 tons and coming back down to Earth at an incredibly fast rate. China did not have control over the



debris and didn't know where it would land, they estimated it would land somewhere in areas highlighted on May 10th. They highlighted areas where they thought the debris would fall. The areas included parts of Asia, Africa, South America and a part of North America. Most countries were at risk of being hit and some feared if the rocket had landed in a "powerful" or strong country, a war would break out. While some thought this, others were worried about their homes being hit. The rocket had landed in the Indian Ocean on May 10th but if it were to hit land, China would have to pay for the damages done. Many were comparing the debris to the SpaceX crash in March. The SpaceX Rocket launched had a successful take off but quickly fell off track and came back to Earth. The rocket landed on a farm in Wisconsin. China had announced the rocket had landed somewhere in the Indian Ocean but haven't confirmed specifically where or what time the debris landed.

Information from The New York Times

Next Week

As the school year ends, our paper is going to cover many more interesting and informational topics. Tune in next week to read about changes the school is undergoing for the summer and what to expect for our the

upcoming school year!

Congratulations to all our graduating seniors!

If you have any stories or questions you would like to ask our beloved mascot, email Spike at spike@hcosd.org



Barnyard Day's

Roslynne Doorn

HOLYOKE CO- Barnyard days, a very common thing among the Junior High and High school students. This is a day for the grade school students to come to this highschool and see some of the FFA students' animals. Some of the animals that were there were cows, ducks, horses, chickens, lamb, goats, sheep and donkey. Their was also some farming equipment, a case tractor. Barnyard days had their annual highline electric powerline safety lesson. When students were asked questions and got them right they would be given a small prize. It lasted most of the school day, the FFA students had to go back and forth between their classes. Junior high and High School students, not members of FFA, were not able to attend it. The 10th was a rainy and cloudy day, it was held in the FFA barn area although the doors were kept open. Lucinda Mares provided the goats, for the students to see. All of the elementary students still got to go even through the pandemic, students made sure to wear their masks and provide . It teaches younger students about agriculture, animals, and farm safety.

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FCCLA Trip

By: Teagan Martin

HOLYOKE, CO - The FCCLA Group went to Estes Park last weekend. They left on Friday and they got back on Sunday the 9th. The students who completed the State FCCLA projects got to go. The State Conference was at the peerless this year, and the trip was a reward in place of state. They stayed at the YMCA of the Rockies. There were 17 students that went, they were: Amy Mackay, Rylee Oakley, Kyleigh Jaeger, Anna Chaney, Alma Alejandre, Abby Gutierrez, Leslie Carrasco, Aspyn Kinnie, Aleida Millan, Azury Chaparro, Max Kleve, Grace Roberts, Elyce Sisseck, Mariana Varela, Liz Hein, Andrea Marquez, and Yoselin Pena. The chaperons were Mrs. Ortner, Ms. Mehl, and Stephanie Chaney. The students went hiking, swimming, mini golfing, roller skating, rock climbing, played games, explored Estes Park, and more. Max Kleve said, "Next year, if they have it again, I would go because it was a stress-free environment. I encourage other students to do FCCLA because it is an excellent organization."



Spanish Movie Trips

By Grace Whisenhunt

HOLYOKE, CO - Mr. Betley's Spanish students recently took two trips to the Peerless Theatre. Spanish students watched Zootopia and Coco in Spanish with English subtitles. According to Spanish student Layna



Wear, "It was a fun experience, getting the opportunity to get out of the classroom and experiencing the movie instead of just doing work in the school." All students, including students who did not attend the trip, had to do an assignment on the movie when they got back to school. Mr. Betley and Mrs. Mosenteen volunteered to take students' orders at the theater, which students had to



do in Spanish. The school funded the trip, but students had to pay for concessions on their own. Lucky for next year's Spanish students, the

trips to the theater are set to continue occurring.

Coming Next Week...

Next week, I will be interviewing our very own teachers and their plans for this summer.



Junior Achievement Sells

by Mason Sprague

Holyoke CO - Junior achievement has put in a lot of effort for the stores to happen. Junior achievement had an event where the students sell something they have made and set a price and to make profit. There were a total of 5 stores open, and one of them was Fidget cubes. The students that ran the store were Hudson Keolner, Esteban Rojas, Gustavo Goytia. They were selling the fidget cubes for three dollars. They had over 20 people buy the fidget cubes. Another table was selling shirts for ten dollars. The ones that ran this table were Luke Roberts, Colby Weber, Riley Klinzmann. This table didn't make any profit or that much selling. Next, there were jewelry tables. Each of these tables were run by different people. One of these tables was run by Vianey Jimenez. Last but not least there was a table of stickers. There were different sizes of stickers and the bigger the sticker the more it was. The students that ran this table were Isabelle Kropp, Lucinda Mares, Courtlyn Kinnie. There were plenty of stickers to choose from like a dragon sticker to like volleyball stickers. Hudson Koellner was asked what do you think about junior achievement and would you recommend it and he said, " Junior achievement is really fun and you get to learn lots of things, and you can keep some of the money from the profit you make at the end. I would recommend it to all students." The teacher for junior achievement is Mrs. Nelson. All the student for junior achievement were also allowed to make business cards.



Adaptive Track

by:Anessa Colglazier

HOLYOKE CO- A boces member has introduced a new idea to schools.Her idea was to get the adaptive students outside and active. She thought that it would be a great idea because the adaptive students are not allowed to play in CHSAA sport. CHSAA doesn't want adaptive students to play in school sports, so they don't get hurt. Holyoke invited other schools to come and participate in the track meet. All the participants had to have a permission slip signed. We haven't done anything like this in the past. Running events started at 9am-12:00. They also had other events like a softball throw and then a frisbee throw. Also, they had long jump,egg walk, and a hawian relay. The running events were 50 meter dash, 400 meter dash, and 4x50 relay. When the athletes were running they had partners to run with them. The holyoke participants were Abraham Dias, Austin Durbin, Jareth Gardea, Brandon Talich. The helpers were Kia Seep, Eric Marroquin, Laurenn Herman, Jose Travasol, EV/Emmanual Vasquez ,and Carlos Leggaretta.















