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# Holyoke Elementary School

## September 2022 Newsletter



### September Important Dates

8/22-9/1 NWEA &  
DIBELS Testing

8/26 - No School

8/30 - Picture Day

9/2 - No School

9/5 - No School

9/6 - AOC starts  
& Board Meeting  
at 7 PM

9/9 - No School

9/12 - ESL Parent  
Night

9/16 - No School

9/20 - School Board  
Meeting at 7 PM

9/23 - No School

9/30 - No School  
Reunification Drill

### *Greetings*

*from the Principal: Mrs. Andrea Kammer*

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### **September**

#### **Welcome Back!**

I hope your child(ren) has enjoyed being back at school. The teachers and staff worked hard to make sure this year is the best yet! Please keep an eye out for these monthly newsletters in your email. If you know of someone who is not getting the newsletter, please have them check their spam mail and check with our secretary, Mrs. Juarez, to see which email the newsletter is being sent to so we make sure we are sending it to the correct email address. If you do not have an email address, we will send home a copy of the monthly newsletter with your child.

#### **New Staff for 2022-2023 School Year**

1st Grade Teacher - Ms. Bailey Chintala

3rd Grade Teacher - Mrs. Megan Sprague

4th Grade Teacher - Ms. Kimberlee Bennett

PE Teacher - Mr. Matthew Ramirez

Special Education Teacher - Mrs. Cheri Bornhoft

Dean of Students/RTI Coordinator - Mrs. Carly Daniel was teaching 3rd grade and is now moved to a different role.

#### **Counselor Corner - Mr. Hines**

Guidance Counseling will begin August 29th. We are using the Random Acts of Kindness curriculum and the next 4 weeks will focus on respect. Please feel free to talk to your child(ren) about respect and the importance of showing respect!!

You can contact me at (970) 854-3411 and by email [hineslo@hcosd.org](mailto:hineslo@hcosd.org).

#### **End of the Day Messages**

Please call our secretary, Mrs. Juarez, before 3:00 PM if you have a message for your child. We have around 300 students and have to start messages early to get through all of them depending on the day. Please know we understand last minute emergencies.

**Please make sure your child has a water bottle daily!**

### **Breakfast and Lunch**

Your child(ren) is allowed to charge seconds, cookies, and ice cream on his/her lunch account. Please have a conversation with your child(ren) that these items are not free. They will only be able to charge to their account if they have a positive balance. If your child brings a sack lunch, they will need to charge or bring \$0.40 for a milk if they want milk. The following prices apply...

\*Breakfast \$1.75

\*Extra milk \$0.40

\*Lunch \$2.45

\*Additional breakfast \$1.50

\*Cookie \$0.50

\*Additional lunch entree \$1.50

\*Ice cream \$1.00

### **Important Information**

\*Please make sure to call Mrs. Juarez before 9 AM if your child will not be at school.

\*Students can start entering the school at 7:45 AM.

\*Students will be dismissed and exit the building at the following times and locations...

\*5th/6th Graders - dismissed at 3:38 PM and will exit the front doors

\*3rd/4th Graders - dismissed at 3:39 PM and will exit the front doors

\*1st/2nd Graders - dismissed at 3:40 PM and will exit the library doors

\*Kindergarten - dismissed at 3:40 PM and will exit the kindergarten doors

### **L.E.A.R.N.E.R.S.**

LEARNERS is a word we will be focusing on at Holyoke Elementary.

LEARNERS stands for...

Learn from mistakes

Evaluate work

Ask questions and accept challenges

Receive and respond to feedback

Never give up!

Effort matters

Reach goals

State what we're learning

For the month of September, we are focusing on "L" Learn from mistakes.

### **Student Safety Before and After School**

It is the goal of the city, police department, and the school that we have a great and safe start to the school year! We are providing you with information about the safest routes, rules, and helpful hints.

1. When walking or biking, please use the sidewalks.
2. Avoid alleys and parking lots.
3. Do not walk or ride in the middle of the street.

4. Travel in groups if possible, especially when crossing major intersections. This allows cars to not only see you, but make them stop on time.
5. When riding a bike, scooter, or skateboard, you are required to stop at stop signs just like a car.
6. Utilize the designated routes which are patrolled and shared with the public as streets to be watching for pedestrians and bikers.
7. Wear a bicycle helmet if you have one.
8. Always assume cars cannot see you and will not be stopping.

### **Congratulations to our winners!**

Thank you for attending our back to school registration! We had a good turnout and appreciate your help in completing paperwork that needs to be done annually. The elementary did our drawing and we have two people who won an athletic pass for the school year to home events! Congratulations to Addyson Kinnie and Kenzie Maelzer!

### **Drop off and pick up**

Please use yellow zones for dropping kids off. Do NOT park in the yellow zones. If you want to walk your child to the front door of the school, please park in a parking spot and not the yellow zones.

After school, please make sure to pull over in a parking spot to pick up your child. We have staff helping fill in as a crossing guard, so please let them help your son or daughter cross the street.

### **Bluetooth Headphones**

We appreciate your help with your child's education by providing school supplies at the beginning of the year. If you purchased bluetooth headphones for your child, it would be a big help be your responsibility to make sure your child has his/her headphones charged and ready for school daily.

### **PE, Music, Art, and Technology**

We are implementing something new this year with specials. Some days your child will only have one of the specials, but it will be for a full hour! Please know we are giving the students the same amount of time as they normally would get, but just structuring it a little differently so they can complete a project or unit within a week rather than 6 weeks.