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# Holyoke Elementary School

## April 2023 Newsletter



### April Important Dates

- 4/3 - 1st & 3rd  
Grade Spring  
Program at 7 PM
- 4/4 - School Board  
Meeting at 7PM  
and Class Pictures
- 4/6 - 2nd Grade  
Field Trip to  
Highline
- 4/7 - No School
- 4/14 - No School
- 4/18 - School Board  
Meeting at 7 PM
- 4/20 - Dress like  
your favorite  
teacher & Emerald  
Awards at 7 PM
- 4/21 - No School
- 4/24 - No School  
for Kindergartners  
due to  
Kindergarten  
Round Up
- 4/28 - No School

### Greetings

from the Principal: Mrs. Andrea Kammer

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### April

#### Attendance

A child's attendance is very important to us in education! There are new lessons taught daily and when a child is gone, it is difficult to get him/her the same information as the rest of the class. I just wanted to thank those of you who help your child(ren) get to school on time and ready to learn daily!

Thank you for your commitment to your child's education!

~Mrs. Kammer

#### If Your Child Comes To School After 8:15 AM

Please make sure to stop in the office to sign your child in if he/she is running late to school. Students are considered late, or tardy, if they are not in their classroom by the 8:15 AM bell.

#### Chance To Recycle Old Items!

We will have a box for old markers and glue sticks. Please make sure these are dried up and used markers and glue sticks.

#### Time For Our Kids!

Thank you for all you do to help your child(ren) at home. Below are just some reminders as a parent...

\*Remind your child(ren) how important they are daily!

\*Have your child(ren) share something positive they did for someone else.

\*Take time for them.

\*Have meals together as much as possible.

\*Play games with your child(ren).

\*Read a book with your child(ren).

#### Dress Like Your Favorite Teacher on April 20th!

We are encouraging students to dress like their favorite teacher on Thursday, April 20th in honor of the Emerald Awards! Please make sure outfits are school appropriate!

## **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 April, we are focusing on "S" State what we are learning!

## **S.O.A.R. to Excellence**

We are the dragons and we are soaring to excellence with our behavior.

SOAR stands for...

Safety

Ownership

Achievement

Respect

For the month of April, we are focusing on "R" showing Respect.

## **Next Year - Letter to Mrs. Kammer**

As a school district and school, we are committed to educating each and every student to realize his or her full potential, become a responsible and productive citizen, and a lifelong learner. In carrying out this mission, we value and encourage your input into your child's education. **As we begin to work on class lists for next school year, please know our staff works hard to make sure we place students with the teacher that works best with your child as well as make sure students who do not work well together are separated.** We value your input into your child's classroom placement. If you have a major concern, please write a letter to me addressing one or more of the following points.

- Educational environment that best suits your child,
- Your child's learning style,
- Characteristics of a teacher that best meets your child's needs,
- Student(s) you would like your child separated from (if possible),
- A teacher the parent(s) does not want for their child, and rationale.

Please submit letters of concern **by Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. Please note that letters submitted after this time frame will not be considered within our class placement procedures. Also understand if your child is in 5th or 6th grade your child will rotate between classrooms throughout the day.

Thank you for your partnership in the education of your child.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andrea Kammer  
Holyoke Elementary Principal

### **Reminders about Illness**

This is the time of year that we start thinking about illnesses such as the flu. Please make sure your child stays healthy by getting a good night's rest, eating healthy meals, and washing hands regularly. Also remind your child of the following to avoid lice.

- \*Use your own hair brush or comb
- \*Use your own hair ties, bows, and clips
- \*Wear your own hat

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

During guidance counseling we will be moving into our character traits unit. Please talk to your child(ren) about the importance of having good character. You can contact me at (970) 854-3411 and by email [hineslo@hcosd.org](mailto:hineslo@hcosd.org).

### **Morning Drop Off**

When bringing your child to school in the morning, please do not park in the yellow marked off areas as those are for drop off only. If you are walking your child up to the school building, please park your car in a parking spot and walk them up so we are not blocking traffic. Thank you!

### **Parking After School**

Please make sure to park in a safe location when picking up your child(ren). We have young children who live near the school and would like to remind those picking up children to be extra cautious around the school. Thank you for helping keep our kids safe.