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# Graduate **EVERY** student prepared with the necessary knowledge, skill and character to find success in life. -Holyoke Re-1J Mission Statement

#### Who We Are

#### THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

olyoke School District Re-IJ covers approximately 540 square miles and educates around 600 students K-12. The district has two buildings, a K-6 facility and 7-12 facility. The school also operates an alternative school supporting students in grades 7-12 who are in need of a different method of instruction.

Holyoke is proud of its diversity. The district is one of the few ethnically diverse school districts in Northeastern Colorado with almost half of its students Hispanic and the other half mostly Caucasian and other ethnicities, and over 20% of the overall school population receives direct services in our ESL program. More than half the school population is eligible for free or reduced price meals. The

district appreciates diversity and believes in providing the most diverse experiences for students including full-time aft, music and PE programs K-12, the most choices for sports in the region, plays, a television studio, and a full Career and Technical Education program and service clubs.

The community is very proud and supportive of the school district and its accomplishments both academically and in extracurricular activities. The community is very generous. Several thousands of dollars of gifts are accepted each year and our students fell the support feel attendance at our various activities as well. It is not uncommon to find most of the town at the evening school events.

#### The Community

Holyoke is located at the crossroads of US Highways 6 and 385 in northeast Colorado, approximately 180 miles from Denver, and is the heart of Phillips County. The community is a rural community of over 2,000 citizens who make their living in agriculture or agriculture-related and support businesses. Residents are justly proud of their prosperous, progressive city, located in one of the best farming areas of the state.

Agricultural production is the primary industry in Phillips County, with Holyoke being home to approximately 160 businesses, with a high per capita income from agriculture. This is largely attributable to the development of irrigation during the past 30 years for the production of cash crops such as beats, beans, corn, and wheat.

Residents and visitors alike praise the community's well-kept appearance and visitors are impressed by the beautiful lawns and trees in the city. Holyoke has excellent health care facilities including a hospital, clinic, nursing home and assisted living facilities as well as an airport. Holyoke boasts many fine recreational facilities including and indoor swimming pool used year-round by the schools and community, a municipal golf course, a movie theater (showing movies in English and Spanish) and parks. Several lakes are within a short drive of Holyoke. These facilities offer some of the best conditions for fishing, boating and waterskiing.



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#### The Staff

We boast a staff of close to one hundred employees (both certified and classified).

 High number of staff are alumni of Holyoke or have ties to the community.



- Over 600 years of combined teaching experience
- A qualified staff with many post graduate degrees.

Administration Team					
Kyle Stumpf Superintendent					
Angela Powell JR/SR High School Principal					
Andrea Kammer Elementary Principal	1				

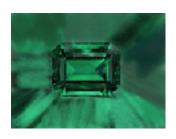
## Student centered accountability program

S-CAP is a collaborative, grassroots network improvement community driven by a diverse group of school district leaders representing rural districts throughout Colorado. The group coalesced in 2015 around the common commitment to expand the State accountability system to reflect multiple measures in evaluating student learn-

ing to better reflect and communicate growth of the whole child in a meaningful, localized way.

#### TS Gold Innovation School

Since 2015, Holyoke has been granted an exemption from DB 191 and granted the status of innovation School. This frees our educators to focus on standards, curriculum and assessment design work and enhance their ability to meet the educational needs of our diverse population. It allows classroom teachers to focus their classroom time on instruction and develop innovative approaches to teaching and learning. Finally, it provides more time to the principal to refine their evaluation skills and be in the classrooms observing and interacting with teachers as the work to individualize instruction.



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emerald has represented such attributes as: active intelligence, the promise of good luck, the ability to enhance our well-being, as well as the color of Venus who was the goddess of beauty and love. The green of the emerald is the color of life and of the springtime, which comes round again and again. Three awards will be given annually for following categories Heart, Innovation, and Leadership. Award winners are nominated by peers and then selected by the local businesses that sponsor the awards.

#### **Emerald Awards**



#### THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

stablished in 1954 the Elementary Building is the oldest school building in the district. Featuring 23 classrooms, a gym with stage, full music room, library, and a cafeteria with kitchen, this school might be old but has a lot to offer the students and staff.

#### **Trimesters**

Report cards are distributed three times a year after each trimester. They are mailed to all families. Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled twice a year to match with the JR/SR High School Schedule.

## Academic Opportunity Center

AOC is provided for all 5th and 6th grade students in the Elementary School.



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K-2nd Grade students will receive a Standard Based Report Card					
3rd - 6th	n Grade				
А	100 - 90				
В	89 - 80				
С	79 -70				
I	69 - 0 Student assigned to AOC				

Students are given the opportunity to meet their learning goals through the completion of missing assignments or assignments completed with a grade lower that a 70%. The AOC in the elementary is held Monday - Thursday from 3:45 to 5:00 after school. Any 5th and 6th grade student who comes to class without an assignment completed the day and/or

earned a a grade lower than 70% on an assignment or assessment will be required to attend the AOC. Students will have the opportunity to complete missing work or to work on corrections during that time. This is a positive environment focused on achievement, not a punitive detention. Students can count on a positive and productive environment



6th Grade teacher and students in 2019

where the focus is on being successful. During this time, a designated teacher will spend time working with students on completing the missing assignments.

Teachers will also provide



Elementary P.E. Class in 2019

reteaching for students that may need a concept or skill explained again. or in a different manner.

## Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

The Holyoke School District believes that PBiS is an effective way to teach our students the behaviors we expect them to display. In the Elementary School we use the phrase Dragons SOAR.

Safety Ownership Achievement Respect



Food Service Staff © Johnson Publications

#### Food Service

The district enjoys a great relationship with Chartwells, who administer our food services department. Full breakfast and lunch are prepared and served at the Elementary School and also transported to the JR/SR High School and served out of the Concession Stand, 7-12 students have an open campus and can either eat the school lunch or eat anywhere else in town they wish provided they return to school before the afternoon classes begin.



#### THE JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

he Junior/Senior High School building was built in phases as needs arose for expansion. The current rendition of the building is under construction as the voters approved a bond and the district secured a grant for a more than \$4.6 million dollars in safety upgrades to the building. All of this projects are slated to be completed before the 2021-2022 school year.

## Academic Opportunity Center

AOC is provided for all 7th - 10th grade students in the JR/SR High School. Students are given the opportunity to meet their learning goals through the completion of missing assignments or assignments completed with a grade lower that a

70%. The AOC is held Monday -Thursday from 3:45 to 5:00 after school. Any student who comes to class without an assignment completed the day and/or earned a a grade lower than 70% on an assignment or assessment will be required to attend the AOC. Students will have the opportunity to complete missing work or to work on corrections during that time. This is a positive environment focused on achievement, not a punitive detention. However, failure to attend results in negative consequences (including students not being allowed to attend athletic events until their school work is done). Students can count on a positive and productive work environment where the focus is on being successful.



2020-2021 JR/SR High Staff ©Johnson Publications

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Respect Integrity Safety Excellence

#### **Athletics / Activities**

The goal of the Holyoke Re-IJ Activity/Athletic Department is to help participating students to achieve their potential through the following:

- 1. Promoting and developing the concept of teamwork while building character and self-esteem.
- 2. Encouraging academic success by providing the student/participant with an incentive to do well in school.
- 3. Facilitating an understanding of exemplary sportsmanship while emphasizing the value of discipline and responsibility.
- 4. Providing extra-curricular activities that promote school spirit.
- 5. Offer positive experiences that encourage lifelong learning and participation beyond high school.

#### **Athletics**

Fall Sports				
Boys	Girls			
Golf	Volleyball			
Football	Softball			



Cheerleader in 2019

Winter Sports				
Boys	Girls			
Basketball	Basketball			
Wrestling	Wrestling			
	Swimming			
Spring Sports				
Boys	Girls			
Baseball	Golf			
Track	Track			
Swimming				
Cheer is offered to all during the fall and winter.				

## Student Clubs & Organizations

NHS	FBLA				
FFA	FCCLA				
Student Coun- cil	Robotics Club				

Musical	Play
Bain Bowl	Select Choir
Yearbook	TV Produc- tions
STEM	Writing Club

Clubs and organizations are sponsored by staff before and after school or during lunch and available to all students. Some have membership requirements based on classes taken.

#### **Random Drug Testing**

To participate in any of these activities students must enroll in the Random Drug Testing Program administered by a third party and paid for by the school district.

#### **Required Classes**

To either advance from the Junior High to High School or to graduate students are required to take the required number of classes. Classes earn on unit per semester and Seminar class earns .5 units per semester.

#### Junior High

Students must earn a total of 28 units of credit in Junior High to move on to High School. Students who fail one or more core classes (social studies, language arts, science or math) in any semester or a combination of semesters are required to take the credit recovery class. Failing 5 or more credits will result in the student repeating the entire grade.

Junior High Required Credits					
Area					
Social Studies					
Language Arts					
Science					
Mathematics					
PE					
Exploratory (.5					
per semester)					
Electives					

#### High School

To receive a high school diploma from the district, students must meet or exceed the district's academic standards and measures. In certain cases students may receive a Certificate of At-

#### tendance without meeting the graduation requirements for the general edu-

cation program if the meet the goals of their IEP.

	High School Graduation Requirements					
Credits	Area	Specific Courses				
8	English					
6	Math	Algebra 1 or higher				
6	Science					
6	Social	Government				
	Studies					
2	Physical	General PE				
	Education					
4	Career &	(Includes approved classes in Agriculture, Business, and				
	Tech Ed	Family & Consumer Sciences)				
4	Fine Arts	(Includes Art, Band, Choir, Tv Productions, Journalism,				
		Blog/Wiki, Speech Drama, Creative Writing, and Year-				
		book)				
2	World					
	Language					
14	Electives					
4	Seminar	1 Credit/Year				
56	Total					



