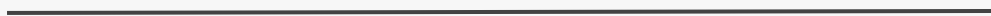
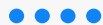




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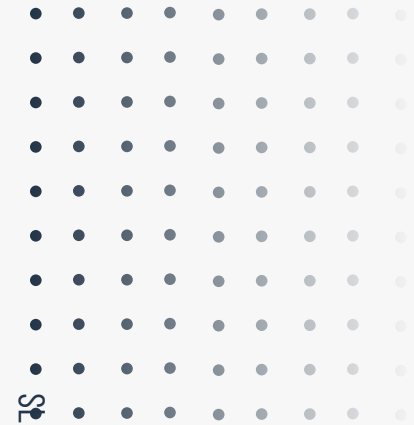
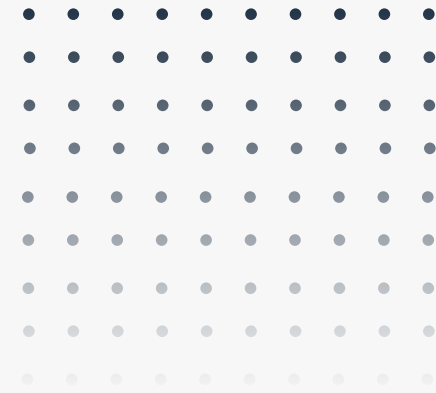
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HHS Asst. Principal / A+ Coordinator



Holden High School Mission

The Mission of Holden High School is to provide the skills, tools, and knowledge for our students to become productive citizens and life-long learners.





A+ State Requirements

Be a U.S. Citizen, permanent resident, or lawfully present in the U.S.

Enter into a written agreement with your high school prior to graduation.

Attend a designated A+ high school for 2 years prior to graduation.

Graduate from an A+ High School with an overall grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Have at least a 95% attendance record overall for grades 9-12.



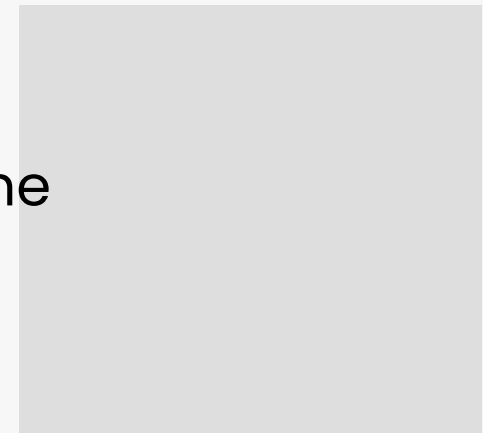
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Perform at least 50 hours of unpaid tutoring or mentoring, of which up to 25% may include job shadowing.

Maintain a record of good citizenship and avoid the unlawful use of drugs and/ or alcohol.

Have achieved a score of proficient or advanced on the Algebra I end of course exam or a higher level DESE approved EOC Exam in Math.

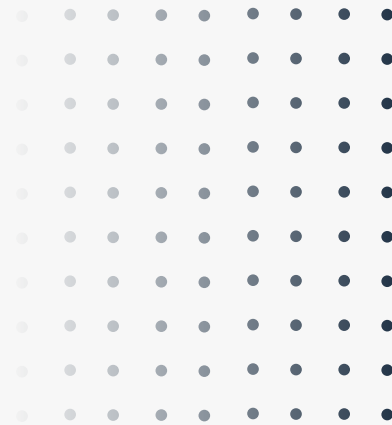


Pending Changes to A+

- The Department of Higher Education is moving to formally waive the EOC requirements for students going forward and will no longer require that for A+ certification.
- If this measure is accepted current seniors and future classes will no longer be asked to meet this requirement.

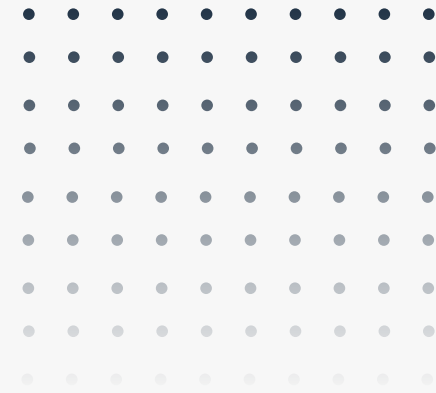
A+ Enrollment at HHS

- For the 2021-2022 School Year we currently have 152 students who are actively signed up and working towards A+ eligibility at HHS. This is down from 196 students last year.
- In the previous 2 years we have seen a decline in students participating in the program. We attribute this to several factors: Availability of tutoring hours, test requirements, and an increased focus on CTE at HHS.
- To continue to drive the program and increase participation we are working to target incoming freshman and get them onboard early so they know the benefits of A+ and can have as much time as possible to meet the requirements. Also, by increasing the availability of mentoring we hope to be able to support more students who can achieve A+ eligibility during the school day.



A+ Goals

- 1. All students graduate from Holden High School.**
- 2. All students complete a selection of High School studies that are challenging and for which there are identified learning expectations.**
- 3. All students proceed from high school graduation to a college, postsecondary career-technical school, or high wage job with workplace skill development opportunities.**






Mentor and Tutoring Requirements

In order to qualify for the A+ financial Incentive, students are required to perform at least 50 hours of unpaid, school based tutoring/mentoring.

For the 2021-2022 school year we were able to return to previous mentoring practices and send students to both the Middle School and Elementary to gain hours.





Mentor and Tutoring Continued...

Mentoring and tutoring activities must:


Provide encouragement to lower grade students to get them excited about school, and strive for good grades.

Perform duties under the direct supervision of a certified employee of the Holden School District.

Be performed with Holden School District students.

Tutoring must be documented and on file with the A+ Coordinator to count.

No other record will be accepted.



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Students may receive no financial remuneration for tutoring.

Failure to adhere to tutoring guidelines may result in discipline and removal from the program by the A+ coordinator.





Mentoring Enrollment

For the 2021-2022 School Year HHS has 110 students currently participating in our mentoring program.

This was an increase from 74 students during the 2020 school year.

By expanding mentoring opportunities back into all district schools it has allowed us to accommodate more mentors during each semester.



Covid 19 Attendance Exemption



Holden High has put in place a blanket attendance exemption for the mandatory 95% attendance rates for 2021-2022 seniors. The following criteria must be met to qualify for the exemption:

You have been placed in quarantine due to Covid-19 positivity, close contact, or out of precaution and are under the 95% attendance requirement.

Thank you!

