

# Holden R-3

## School District



**Aug/Sept  
2022**

Bridge Day/Freshmen Orientation  
New Faces Around the District  
Back-To-School Night  
New Meal Benefit Form  
Day Plus  
School Supply Surprise

### 6th Grade Bridge Day

*Thursday, August 4*  
8:00am-2:00pm

6th grade students are invited to attend to get their schedules, meet their new principal and counselors, find classrooms, learn the expectations of the building, and practice opening their locker.

### Freshmen Orientation

*Thursday, August 11*  
8:00-10:00am

Freshman students are invited to attend to meet counselors and administrators, familiarize themselves with the building and procedures, and walk through their schedules.

### Back-To-School Night

*Thursday, August 18*  
4:30-6:30pm

Come find your way to your classroom(s), say hello to your teacher(s), and see familiar faces through the halls as we kick off the school year. Join everyone in the HS gym at 6:30pm to Meet the Eagles!

## New Faces Around the District

You'll see some new faces around the district this fall, along with some familiar faces in new places! Two of our long-time support staff members will be stepping into teaching rolls for the first time; Ashlee Brockhaus, most recently the Behavior Interventionist at the high school will be teaching science at the high school and De Livingston, who has overseen our high school library the last couple years, will be teaching english at the high school. We also have a teacher stepping into an administrative roll; Emily Brockhaus has taken the position of Technology Coordinator. Congratulations to them and welcome to all of our new teachers and staff below!

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**Valerie Craft**  
Instructional Coach

**Hope Dahlhoff**  
6th Grade Math

**Tori Florence**  
HS Counselor

**Carly Meyer**  
Preschool Teacher

**Ginny Smith**  
HS Math

**Jana Siemer**  
MS Nurse/Admin. Asst.

**Michael Dawson**  
7th Grade Math

**Rosemary Hunt**  
HS Science

**Kara Hays**  
Kindergarten Teacher

**Abigail Weber**  
MS/HS Librarian

**Dorothy Page**  
7th Grade Civics

**Tiffany Gilmore**  
8th Grade ELA

**Brittany Smith**  
Career Readiness Counselor

**Jacque Wiskur**  
District Cashier

**Janine Ferguson**  
MS Art

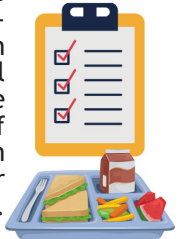
**Casey Lim**  
MS Counselor

**Jeff Herron**  
8th Grade Civics

**Caitlin Furlong**  
8th Grade Math

## Be Prepared: New Meal Benefit Form Is Out Now

Free meals for all students throughout the last couple of school years were a welcome relief during the COVID-19 pandemic, however the program which provided funding for these meals has expired. Normal meal charges will resume with the new school year, beginning the first day of school. Prices can be found on our website. If you filled out a form last year and your family qualified for free or reduced meals, there is a grace period through October 6, 2022, during which your child will continue to receive those benefits, however we recommend filling out the 2022-2023 form as soon as possible because it does take time to process. If your family received a letter stating you have already been qualified (these went out at the end of July), there is no need to fill out a form. We encourage everyone else to scan the QR code and fill out a Free/Reduced Meal Form now to find out if your family qualifies for benefits. It's easy, and in addition to lowering (or eliminating) meal prices and fees for your family, it helps the district qualify for special programs.



## 2022-2023 CALENDAR At-A-Glance

August 4	Bridge Day for Incoming 6th Graders 8am-2pm
August 11	Freshmen Orientation 8-10am
August 17	Kindergarten Back-To-School Night 6-7pm
August 18	Back-To-School Night 4:30-6:30pm Meet the Eagles 6:30pm
August 26	No School - Holden Fair/Teacher Inservice
September 5	No School - Labor Day
September 19	No School - Teacher Inservice
October 17 & 20	Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-8pm
October 21	No School
October 24	No School - Teacher Inservice
November 21-25	No School - Thanksgiving Break
December 16	Early Release Day - 1:15pm

December 19-Jan 2
January 3
January 13
January 16
February 17
February 20
March 6-10
April 7 & 10
May 21
May 24

No School - Winter Break
No School - Teacher Inservice
End of 1st Semester
No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
No School - Teacher Inservice
No School - Presidents Day
No School - Spring Break
No School - Easter Break
Class of 2023 Graduation 2pm
Early Release 1:15pm
Last Day of School
End of 2nd Semester

*Make-up Days/Hours are built into the schedule.*

“The mission for Holden R-III School District is for all students, upon graduation, to have marketable skills or the basis to be eligible for post-secondary educational opportunities.”

# August 2022




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1  Follow us on Twitter! @HoldenSchools	2	3	4 6th Grade Bridge Day @ HMS 8am-2pm	5	6
7	8	9 <i>Please check the school website for the latest calendar information at <a href="https://holdenschools.org/calendar">holdenschools.org/calendar</a></i>	10	11 Freshmen Orientation @ HHS 8-10am	12	13
14	15 Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm	16	17 Kindergarten Back-To-School Night @ HES 6-7pm	18 Back-To-School Night @ All Buildings & Resource/Transition Fair @ HHS Cafe 4:30-6:30pm  Meet the Eagles @ HS Gym 6:30pm	19 HS Varsity Football Jamboree @ Warrensburg 5:30pm	20 HS Varsity Softball Jamboree @ LS North HS 10am
21	22	23 <b>First Day of School</b> <i>Start Times:</i> HES 8:10am HMS 8:00am HHS 8:00am  HS Varsity Volleyball Jamboree @ Clinton 5pm	24	25	26 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Teacher Inservice  Softball Varsity Tournament @ Adair Park, Independence  Varsity Football @ Sherwood 7pm	27 Softball Varsity Tournament @ Adair Park, Independence
28	29 JV Football v. Sherwood @ HHS 5:30pm	30 HS Volleyball @ Cole Camp 5pm	31	 We're on Instagram! @holdenschools		

Our CHARACTERplus Trait of the month is

**Cooperation** - Working together toward a common goal

# September 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> Softball v. Pleasant Hill @ Skyline Softball Field 4:30pm  HS Volleyball v. Barstow @ HHS 5pm	<b>2</b> Varsity Football @ Mid-Buchanan 7pm	<b>3</b> Varsity Cross Country Meet @ St. Michael 8am  Varsity Volleyball Tournament @ Harrisonville 8am
<b>4</b>   We're on Instagram! @holdenschools	<b>5</b> NO SCHOOL Labor Day	<b>6</b> MS/HS Cross Country Meet @ Higginsville  Softball v. Knob Noster @ Holden 5pm  MS Football v. Sherwood @ HHS 5:30pm  HS Volleyball v. Oak Grove @ HHS 5pm  JV Football @ Knob Noster 5:30pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Softball @ Lexington 5pm  MS Volleyball v. Warrensburg @ HMS 5pm  HS Volleyball @ Harrisonville 6pm	<b>9</b> Varsity Football v. Clinton @ HHS 7pm >>Holden Foundation Taco Night, Faculty Appreciation, Youth Football Night<<	<b>10</b> Varsity Softball Tournament @ Chillicothe  MS Volleyball Tournament @ Crest Ridge HS 8:30am
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Softball v. Nevada @ Holden 4:30pm  JV Football @ Clinton 5:30pm  Board of Education Meeting @ MS Library 7pm	<b>13</b> Softball @ Lafayette Co 5pm  MS Volleyball @ Odessa 5pm  HS Volleyball @ Odessa 5pm  MS Football v. Lexington @ HHS 5:30pm	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> MS Cross Country @ Pleasant Hill  Softball v. Richmond @ HHS 5pm  HS Volleyball @ Carrollton 6pm	<b>16</b> Varsity Football v. Butler @ HHS 7pm >>Homecoming<<	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> NO SCHOOL Teacher Inservice  Softball @ Odessa 5pm  MS Volleyball v. Lexington @ HMS 5pm	<b>20</b> Softball @ Carrollton 5pm  MS Volleyball v. Lafayette Co @ HMS 5pm	<b>21</b> MS/HS Cross Country Meet @ Lone Jack 4pm	<b>22</b> Softball @ Knob Noster 5pm  HS Volleyball v. Lexington @ HHS 5pm	<b>23</b> Varsity Softball Tournament @ UCM  Varsity Football @ Lexington 7pm	<b>24</b> Varsity Cross Country Meet @ Gans Creek Recreation Area  Varsity Softball Tournament @ UCM  MS Volleyball Tournament @ Pleasant Hill 8am  JV Volleyball Tournament @ Odessa 8am
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Softball v. Sherwood @ Holden 5pm  JV Football @ Lexington 5:30pm	<b>27</b> MS/HS Cross Country Meet @ Lamar  Softball v. Leeton @ Holden 5pm  MS Volleyball v. Knob Noster @ HMS 5pm  HS Volleyball v. Lafayette Co @ HHS 5pm  MS Football @ Richmond 5:30pm	<b>28</b> Softball v. Lexington @ Holden 5pm	<b>29</b> Softball v. Lafayette Co @ Holden 5pm  MS Volleyball @ Carrollton 5pm  HS Volleyball @ Richmond 5pm	<b>30</b> Varsity Football v. Lafayette Co @ HHS 7pm >>Military Appreciation Night, FFA Hog Roast<<	

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**Respect** - Treating others the way you want to be treated

# Contact Us

## Central Office

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Dr. Mike Hough, Superintendent

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Dr. Joe Parkhurst, Principal  
Grant Guevel, Assistant Principal  
Spencer Gudde, AD

## Middle School

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Dr. Chris Lake, Principal

## Elementary School

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Sarah Burks, Principal  
Morgyn Rivière, Assistant Principal

## Transportation - Apple Bus

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## General Questions

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## School Website

holdenschools.org



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## Before & After School Care

Looking for before school and after school care? Check out Day Plus! Day Plus offers homework help and a variety of activities for students in grades Pre-K through 5th. During the school year, Day Plus operates from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. (mornings) and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (after school). Day Plus offers after school care on half days and programs during full days off and the summer as well. A variety of fee options are available for families on a limited budget. The district offers sliding scale fees to families which qualify for Department of Family Services financial assistance. For more information call Day Plus Director, Missi Hunter, at (816) 850-4444, ext. 3023.

## School Supply Surprise

We know with fuel and grocery prices up as well as the expiration of the program with allowed for free meals for all students expiring, Back-To-School time can be a big financial crunch. That's why we came up with our School Supply Surprise! Bright Futures and the Holden R-3 district is coordinating donations and funding FREE school supplies for all students K-8. We hope our families know how much we care about them and we can't wait to see our students back in class soon! Thank you for New Life Fellowship and Forward Community Church for donating towards the district's effort. We appreciate Warrensburg Walmart for their patience as we procured supplies throughout the summer.



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