



## **Sports Boosters Help**

The Sports Boosters is in need of volunteers to work the concession stand at the soccer and football games this fall. While we are aware not all students play soccer or football, the Sports Boosters benefits all students and student athletes. Last year alone the Sports Boosters sponsored a fan bus and paid a large amount of the ticket price for our student section at sectionals. The Sports Boosters has put in countless hours and thousands of dollars into multiple programs. The concession stand is their primary form of fundraising. Please consider volunteering to work at the Woodlands or at a home football game by signing up <a href="here">here</a>.



## **GLOW With Your Hands**

GLOW With Your Hands is a wonderful opportunity for 9th and 10th grade students to interact with various businesses, trade unions, and contractors in the GLOW region. This covers Genesee, Livingston, Orleans, and Wyoming counties with opportunities for potential career paths. Students have an opporutnity to have hands-on demonstrations to increase their awareness on these careers within our community.

The field trip will be on September 24th. Sign-ups are located in the counseling office.

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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The start of the schoolyear is always an exciting time here at Holley Middle/High School. This year we are off to a great start! I want to thank the Holley Buildings and Grounds Staff for their tireless work in ensuring our building was up and running this year despite the ongoing construction. Thank you for continuing to ensure our students are able to take pride in our beautiful facilities.

On the opening day of school Mr. Courtney and I met with each grade-level to review our purpose as a school and our expectations. We want to thank the students for their open-mindedness and respect. We emphasized the importance of each student feeling a sense of belonging and leaving here with a purpose to contribute to our school, Holley community, and humanity. We discussed the importance of being heard while also listening to others. Students were very receptive, and we have high hopes for this year.

Homecoming is always an exciting time here at Holley Middle/High School and this year will be no different. Our Holley High School Student Council has hit the ground running, planning our 2024 Homecoming Week which is September 23rd - September 28th. We look forward to an exciting year filled with school pride.

As always, if you ever have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to reach out to Mr. Courtney or myself. We look forward to elevating to new heights, so each student finds success here at Holley Middle/High School. I can be reached via email at mfeldman@holleycsd.org or phone at 585-815-5459.





### **LIBRARY MEDIA UPDATE**

Welcome back, students! It has been so great to see everyone's smiling faces! We have had many classes coming into the library that are already hard at work on various projects, and also students stopping by for some fun (such as this intense game of Battleship!). Be sure to check the library for some new books and a Page-to-Screen display!



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# **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

Seniors should continue to apply to college and complete their FAFSA and TAP before winter break. Many colleges are free to apply to and others waive their application fee. SUNY college free application weeks run from October 21 - November 3. Students can apply to up to 5 SUNY schools for free. Be sure to check other colleges to see if it is free to apply to their institution as well.

Counselors will be meeting with seniors individually late September-early October. We will continue the conversations from last year regarding post high school plans, assist in college applications, military and/or employment opportunities.

If you are just starting high school, it is important to take challenging courses throughout high school. Your high school transcript will be weighed heavily when a college makes decisions on who to admit. Get involved in and out of school. Write down what you did when you did it. By the time you are a senior, you should have a list of activities in which you have participated. You will be asked to list what you have done on your college application or resume. Being able to maintain good grades while being involved in and/or out of school will show an admissions representative that you are a good candidate for their school.

Each college is in competition with each other. Many offer similar incentives to attend their school and are eager to enroll students at their institution. Look at what they offer and ask questions. No matter what grade you are in, now is the time to think about your future. If you have any questions, please contact the counseling office at 638-6335 ext. 5510.

### **SOARING SPORTS**

Welcome Back!



We are off to a great start this fall, and it's wonderful to see everyone back in action. Our student-athletes are showing a lot of dedication, and we have an exciting season ahead.

This fall, we are thrilled to announce the start of Unified Bowling! This program promotes inclusion by bringing together athletes of all abilities to compete and have fun as a team. We believe it will be a wonderful addition to our athletics lineup and look forward to seeing the positive impact it will have on our students.

Stay tuned for more updates as we continue into the season, and let's make this year a great one!

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# FINE ARTS UPDATE

#### **Holley MSHS Music**

Finishing work on the new Band and Chorus rooms is slowly being completed! The students and teachers have enjoyed making music in the newly renovated spaces.

Band rehearsal for both Middle and High School has begun, please make sure your student has brought their instrument to school! Lessons will begin Monday 9/16; parents check your email for a copy of the schedule.

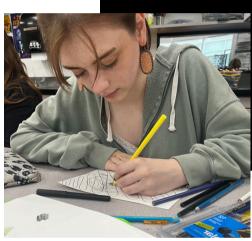
Join the Holley Music Boosters Monday, October 21st @ 6pm in the new Band Room for their next meeting. All are welcome to attend!

#### **Holley MSHS Art**

The Visual Arts department has been reviewing the fundamentals of art with their students as well as looking into fun field trip opportunities.

With so many art opportunities it is hard to narrow them down. The Memorial Art Gallery is now offering free school tours, the George Eastman House and Museum has a gingerbread display, the Holley Falls for clay, Flower City Arts. We are extremely lucky to have such wonderful options!







## **SPIRIT WEEK**

We are excited to announce Spirit Week will be Monday, September 23rd - Saturday, September 28th! The theme for the floats this year is Disney Movie. The dress days at the Middle/High School are as follows:

**Monday -** Class Color Day (Seniors-Blue, Juniors-Green, Sophomores-Yellow, Freshman-Pink, 8th Grade-Purple, 7th Grade-Orange)

**Tuesday -** Decades Day (Seniors-70s, Juniors-2000s, Sophomores-1980s, Freshman-1950s, 7th&8th-1990s)

**Wednesday -** Rhyme without a Reason (Pair up and wear costumes that rhyme, but have no other connection)

**Thursday -** America Day (wear red, white, and blue)

Friday - Hawk Spirit Day (wear hawk gear or red, white and black)

More information regarding Homecoming, such as the parade and dance, will come home via a flyer from Student Council.

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## **IMPORTANT DATES**

September 17th

**ACE GCC Registration for College Classes** 

September 23rd - 28th

**Homecoming Week** 

September 24th&25th

College Night at the Mall 6:00PM-8:00PM

September 30th

College Fair Holley MS/HS Gym 10:30AM-12:15PM

October 1st

**Picture Day** 



### **SENIOR INFORMATION**

Thank you to all of the parents who put together the Senior Sunrise on the first day of school. The seniors entered the building in high spirits and respectfully.

Jostens will be in on Tuesday, October 29th to meet with the Seniors regarding their cap and gown. The meeting will take place during the school day in the afternoon. Please note any senior who is absent that day needs to fill out the information neccessary on the Jostens' website. If you need assistance, please contact Ms. Lepkwoski.

Senior pictures are due to Ms. Lagas by Thursday, October 31st. If you need more information please reach out to her.