



Holicong Mission

Holicong Middle School will foster a climate of academic, social, and emotional learning with an emphasis on respectful, responsible, considerate, and healthy behaviors.

- ✓ [Daily Announcements & Weekly Updates](#) – Our “home base” for daily announcements, the weekly updates, and live video updates!
- ✓ [Health & Safety Plan and Hybrid Resources](#) – Our “home base” for Holicong resources and procedures for the 2020-2021 school year!
- ✓ [Holicong Athletics Page](#) – Our “home base” for athletic schedules & announcements!
- ✓ [Parent Council Page](#) – Our “home base” for Parent Council presentations, meeting dates and other parent presentations throughout the year.

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8th, 2021

(extended calendar below announcements & Holicong website)

- ✓ **Monday – B DAY (Hybrid 1 In-Person)**
 - **Faculty Meeting** – SWPBIS focus on Self-Assessment Survey and School Safety Survey. Surveys will be used to evaluate current practices and prioritize action steps moving forward.
- ✓ **Tuesday – A DAY (Hybrid 1 In-Person)**
 - Intervention & Enrichment Available after School
 - CBSD School Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- ✓ **Wednesday – B DAY (All Students Online)**
 - 2nd Marking Period grade available on parent portal
- ✓ **Thursday – A DAY (Hybrid 2 In-Person)**
 - Intervention & Enrichment Available after School
- ✓ **Friday – B DAY (Hybrid 2 In-Person)**
 - Half-Day for Students
 - PD Equity and Inclusion Goal

ANNOUNCEMENT & UPDATES

- ✓ **Celebrating Black History Month @ Holicong** – We have different groups working on activities & plans for this and to continue our “Courageous Conversations” work with Faces of Holicong & Humanitarians of Holicong we started last year. A few things we would ask you to look for:
 - **Daily Calendar (posted on announcements and website)**
 - **Book List for Students in Library** – created by Mrs. Wentz on her canvas page and pushed out to students
 - **Sequestered Songfest** – Mr. Glaser’s February Songfest this month will be dedicated to celebrating songs by persons of color as its theme...please be on the lookout for the invitation!
 - **Courageous Conversations & Ethnic & Diversity work** – We are collaborating with our student leaders for activities and interviews...stay tuned!
- ✓ **Girls Basketball** – Congratulations to the varsity grade girls’ basketball team on winning the district championship against Tamanend. The girls had a strong game with amazing play on both ends of the court. Their quick defense and strong rebounding led them to a 18-15 victory. Thank you to our

coaches, athletic director, parents and students for a great season! Our JV team finished the season with a win against Tamanend to lead the district with 1 7-1 record. Congrats to Coach Kelly and the girls!

- ✓ **Humanitarians of Holicong T-Shirts** – These are currently on sale for My Payments Plus...and yes, they are in long-sleeve! Proceeds support the work of our group and we appreciate your support!
- ✓ **Boys Basketball Tryouts** – These started on Wednesday and will continue for the remainder of the week.
- ✓ **Tech Ed Spaghetti Bridge Project** – Congratulations to Katie Bullard! There were many great submissions...but she was able to take home the first place prize!
- ✓ **Sequestered Songfest – Grammy Edition!** – A special thanks to the students, staff...and guest alumni for an awesome concert Thursday night. This songfest along with all others are posted on the [Sequestered Songfest Video Page!](#)
- ✓ **Holicong Musical – Freaky Friday** – Rehearsals are under way! Please remember to see the [“Musical News”](#) Homepage for schedules, rehearsals, and announcements!
- ✓ **Snow Days** – For any future snow days – students will not report to school and work will be asynchronous. Teachers will post work to Canvas pages by 9:00 AM the morning of the snow day and provide any specific instructions for the day. As with Wednesdays – student attendance will be taken based on the completion of the work/tasks assigned.
- ✓ **[Parent Council](#)** – The Parent Council presentation “live video” and regular powerpoint are posted on the website. A special thanks to Mrs. Wentz (Student activities), Mrs. Louderback (Social-Emotional Health, Program Planning), Mr. Chodoroff, and Mr. Glaser (Concert, Musical Updates), Mr. Rittenhouse (Winter & Spring Athletics), Mrs. Lovuolo (LanSchool Overview), and Mrs. Radice (Health & Safety) for making time to provide updates for our community!
 - [LanSchool Overview](#) – We created a standalone video of Mrs. Lovuolo’s presentation showing how this technology is used – thank you Mrs. Lovuolo!
- ✓ **Academic Progress Updates** – All students should have completed this in Resource class on Thursday or Friday. If students were absent they can still do this on their own. We hope this is helpful for students & parents to celebrate accomplishments to this point in the year and make a plan for turning in any work!
- ✓ **[“How to Take Care of Ourselves & Our Mental Health”](#)** – Here is the link to the video created by Ms. Blankenburg and shared with all students last Thursday & Friday in resource. We have posted it on our website for our parents, students, and staff (and others) to reference as needed. This is a discussion topic for Thursday’s Parent Council but we will not watch the video but we encourage those who haven’t seen it to watch (it is 9:16).
 - [Social Emotional Health & Wellness Page](#) – This page is in the “Parents/Guardians” tab and we have now “linked” it to the homepage for easier “one-click” access. This page currently includes professional articles, Holicong & CB presentations from previous Parent Councils, classes, and other venues, and other resources on general wellness, anxiety stress

- and mental health, school refusal, vaping, suicide prevention and response, and an excellent article about adolescence (12 pages) that I have included here – [Developmental Characteristics of Young Adolescents](#). We will review this page at the end of the marking period and include any new resources we have to share.
- **Guidance Groups** – Mrs. Louderback ([Stress Management Group](#)), Ms. Blankenburg ([Family Issues](#)), and Mr. Striano ([Organization & Academic Support](#)) are currently running groups based on student feedback from before break. If a student did not complete the signup and interested, please reach out to Mrs. McCusker at dmccusker@cbsd.org (guidance secretary) to see if you can still join!
 - ✓ **3rd Marking Period Blended Learning Requests** – [Holicong Blended Learning Requests](#) – This was emailed as a standalone and the form link will stay open until Tuesday, November 19th at midnight. We will send out a reminder next Tuesday morning as well!
 - ✓ **Free Breakfast & Lunches** – Great news! The free breakfast and lunch program will continue for the remainder of the school year! These are available for students in-person for students at 3 locations at Holicong (front office vestibule, bus platform, and the stairwell inside of parent pickup & dropoff). **Note – these options are available for online students as well with curbside pickup at all 3 high schools on Monday & Thursday.** Please see the link for more information!
 - ✓ **Athletics & Musical Schedule** – These are available on the athletics and musical website, but will include this is the morning announcements each week so we have a “consolidated schedule” in one spot (please know that if changes are made, they will be noted on the website)
 - ✓ **Academic Intervention & Resource** – Students on the D/F report and behind on academic assignments will be expected to remain in resource class when online/at home. Our staff is focusing on reaching out to our students that are struggling with getting work in and trying to communicate with as many students & parents as we can before the break in the hopes that students get caught up on everything before the winter holiday
 - ✓ **Extracurriculars @ Holicong** – Please see our [Activities Website](#) for the extracurricular activities and opportunities for Athletics, Clubs, and Music Programs! We encourage our students to engage outside of class and “get in the game!”
 - ✓ **Morning Show** – Please check out the Morning Show page for the morning show from Wednesday!
 - ✓ **Review of Colonial Cores & Hybrid Learning Expectations - 2nd Marking Period** - A reminder for anyone who has not seen this yet – our “reboot” of expectations for our hybrid learning for the 2nd marking period as it ties into our Colonial Cores!
 - ✓ **Holicong Videos – Telling our Story** – One way we can continue to tell our story to our community! These will include a variety of short videos from the year as well as some of the other work we do at Holicong!

**Holicong Athletic & Musical Weekly After School Schedule
FEBRUARY**

Group	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Musical		Rehearsal 3:00 – 5:00			Rehearsal 3:00 – 5:00	
Girls Varsity Basketball						
Girls JV Basketball						
Boys Varsity Basketball	Tryouts – 3:00-5:00					
Boys JV Basketball	Tryouts – 3:00-5:00					
Wrestling	Practice – 3:00-4:45	Practice - 3:00-4:45	Match			
Cheerleading						

Week of 2/8/21

UPCOMING DATES

(subject to change)

FEBRUARY CALENDAR DATES

February 15th NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day
February 16th 6th Grade Parent Orientation
February 18th Parent Council – Day Session @ 9:00 (Teams Meeting)
 Parent Council – Evening Session @ 6:00 (Teams Meeting)
February 22nd Faculty Meeting
February 23rd CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30

MARCH CALENDAR DATES

March 1st Leadership Meeting
March 5th NO SCHOOL – Staff Development
March 8th Faculty Meeting
March 9th CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30
March 22nd Faculty Meeting
March 23rd CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30
March 25th Bill Grun – Memorial Day

APRIL CALENDAR DATES

April 1st NO SCHOOL – Staff Development
April 2nd NO SCHOOL – Good Friday
April 5th NO SCHOOL – Staff Development
April 9th End of 3rd Marking Period & Student Half-Day for Students
April 12th Faculty Meeting
April 13th CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30
April 26th Faculty Meeting
April 27th CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30

MAY CALENDAR DATES

May 10th	Faculty Meeting
May 11th	CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30
May 24th	Faculty Meeting
May 25th	CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30

JUNE CALENDAR DATES

June 8th	CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30
June 11th	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL/Student ½ Day
June 14th	Faculty Meeting
June 22nd	CBSD School Board Meeting @ 7:30

HEALTH & SAFETY PLAN – HOLICONG PROCEDURES & VIDEOS

(These are the videos posted on our [Health & Safety Plan and Hybrid Resources Page](#))

Topic & Video	Time
✓ Review Student Health & Safety Practices – Face Coverings, Washing Hands & Sanitizing, Staying Home When Sick	18:06
✓ Student Arrival Procedures & Holding Areas	15:10
✓ Review Student Traffic Patterns – Between Classes	9:36
✓ Review Cleaning Desks Procedures	2:51
✓ Review Bell Schedules & A/B Rotation	6:29

✓ Review Restroom & Leaving Class Procedures	8:05
✓ Review Bell Schedules & A/B Rotation	6:29
✓ Review Colonial Cores & Behavior Expectations	4:00
✓ Review OneDrive & Canvas Organization	3:55
✓ Review Hybrid vs. Virtual Instruction & Expectations	3:46
✓ Review Dismissal Procedures & Traffic Patterns & Grab & Go Lunch Locations	8:26