



HOLICONG WEEKLY UPDATE

This communication is meant to serve as a snapshot of calendar events, announcements, and school and district updates. It does not include all information at Holicong and we have included the most frequently used links below to help you navigate as best we can!

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.

IMPORTANT LINKS

- ✓ [Holicong Homepage](#) – Homebase for “all things Holicong”
- ✓ [Daily Announcements & Weekly Updates](#) – Direct link (announcements are what our students see on scroller)
- ✓ [Holicong Shout Out](#) – Click on link to write a shout out to a Holicong staff member!
- ✓ [Attendance / Attendance 2021-2022 \(cbsd.org\)](#) – Link to report student absence
- ✓ [Holicong Athletics](#) – Homebase for athletic information and calendar (not included on update below)

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13

Monday A DAY	Tuesday B DAY	Wednesday A DAY	Thursday NO SCHOOL	Friday B DAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Picture Day – Please bring in forms to Social Studies Class! ✓ Faculty Meeting – School & District Goals & Professional Development 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Intervention & Enrichment Schedule 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Yom Kippur 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Holicong SPIRIT NIGHT! Please bring \$5 and a canned good! Look for announcements & updates!

ANNOUNCEMENT & UPDATES

- ✓ **Remembering 9/11/21** – A special thank you to Mr. Knoedler and the Social Studies department for planning the special activities for students and families. We started Friday with a remembrance and moment of silence and feel that the interviews and questions students are being asked to complete will hopefully make this moment in our history more meaningful for our students who were not alive during this time.
- ✓ **SPIRIT Night** – A special thanks to our Power of Positive Students Club for organizing this yearly event and doing it a earlier this year to allow for students that have not been together for 2 years to socialize and enjoy a variety of activities with peers. The entry fee is \$5 and a canned good for charity! We encourage students to attend to have fun and meet new people – this is **WHAT WE DO** at Holicong!
- ✓ **Canvas & Technology for Parents** – Now that we are entering week 3, parents new to Holicong might be more interested on “what Canvas is and how parents can access it.” We realize this and now a good time to remind everyone that our district Technology & Innovation has created a website

specifically for you - [Technology & Innovation / Canvas \(cbsd.org\)](#). We have also attached the 1 page tech update for you as well!

- ✓ **Crushing Stigma – Building Mental Strength for Life** – Please see the announcement below for this even taking place on October 6 (flyer attached)

The Central Bucks School District and NAMI Bucks County PA are pleased to partner together to offer this program to our community. The event is open to students, adults, and families, and free childcare will be provided for all or a portion of the event as needed. Register for event updates and childcare at www.CBSD.org/crushingstigma_register. Video link to embed: <https://vimeo.com/601233183>

- ✓ **Health & Safety Plan Updates** – We have now communicated all of our health & safety best practices and protocols to students & staff and things are going very smoothly at Holicong! We want to thank our students – they have been amazing!
- **Masking Exemptions** – At this point we believe we have received the majority of mask exemption forms. There have been no issues with this in any way, shape or form at Holicong between students and we don't expect it to be as we continue to practice and model our core values. Our goal is always to focus on teaching and learning and this has not been a distraction. We do ask our parents to remind students that when wearing masks, to please wear them correctly. Starting Monday, students that are not on the mask exempt list will and not wearing a mask will be provided one by the classroom teacher or nurse.
- ✓ **Mr. Kane – A Thank You and Go Fund Me** – We have reached out to Mr. Kane's (7th grade Social Studies teacher and Team Leader) about the misfortune his family endured during Hurricane Ida as they lost their home. We typically do not share fundraisers, but have received requests from families on how they can help and there is a go fund me (not sponsored by Holicong) for those that would like to contribute – <https://www.gofundme.com/f/please-help-the-kane-family-rebuild> family. We have included a message below from Mr. Kane to our entire Holicong community as a thank you for your support.

Dear Holicong Staff and Community,

My family and I are truly overwhelmed by the incredible support and generosity of everyone in the Holicong community. It is hard to put into words the gratitude we want to express to each and every one of you for your offers of help and your kind words of support. We know that we are not alone in dealing with the fallout of the tornadoes and Hurricane Ida. To anyone and everyone who has been impacted please know you are also in our thoughts and prayers. Our family is safe and healthy (even our dog May) and knowing that we have such an amazing community of friends, colleagues, and neighbors helps to lift our spirits each and every day. My family and I can never thank everyone enough for everything people have done for us this week. Please know that your help and support have truly made a difference. Have a wonderful fall weekend and know that we are truly grateful to be connected to this amazing community.

Sincerely,

The Kane Family (Andy, Lauren, Victoria, Harry and May)

UPCOMING DATES

(subject to change)

SEPTEMBER 23

SEPTEMBER 24

SEPTEMBER 27

7th Grade Back to School Night

Club Fair & Magazine Drive Assembly

Faculty Meeting

SEPTEMBER 28
SEPTEMBER 28
SEPTEMBER 30

Music Program Kickoff
ALICE Drill
8 & 9 Grade Back to School Night