

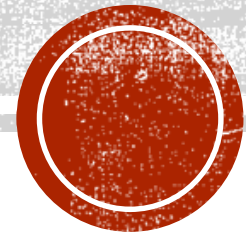


WELCOME!

**Please sign in, take a
notecard & pen if
needed, and a snack!**

**HOLICONG
PARENT
COUNCIL**

February 21st, 2019



FEBRUARY CALENDAR DATES

February 25th

Faculty Meeting

February 25th

Community Connections Meeting at CB South

February 26th

Holicong String Social Event @ 5:30 pm

February 28th

Holicong Community Movie Night @ 6:30 pm “Hidden Figures”



MARCH CALENDAR DATES

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| March 1st | Colonial Spirit Day! |
| March 5th | CERT Meeting |
| March 7th | Holicong Musical – Annie @ 7:00 pm |
| March 8th | Holicong Musical – Annie @ 7:00 pm |
| March 9th | Holicong Musical – Annie @ 2:00 pm & 7:00 pm |
| March 8th | 8th Grade Field Trip – Innovation Nation |
| March 12th | Bucks County Science Fair |
| March 21st | Parent Council @ 9:00 am |
| March 21st | National History Day Showcase |
| March 25th | CB Jazz Festival |
| March 28th | Holicong Community Movie Night |



PSSA & Keystone Dates

PSSA

ELA: April 16th & 17th

Math: April 30th

Science: May 2nd

KEYSTONE (Algebra)

May 21st & 22nd

Please Welcome...

Chris Campos-Zuna

&

Stephen Zyla

&

Emily Dann



HOLICONG SCHOOL STORE





Holicong Community Movie Night



What: Hidden Figures ([Common Sense Media Review – Hidden Figures](#))

Holicong Advisory Theme: Consideration

This month's movie of choice is "Hidden Figures." This film was chosen by Peer Connect, NJHS, and the Holicong Humanitarians because it is based on true story that recognizes the skills of a marginalized group of individuals in society that overcame a multitude of challenges to make contributions to our society. Please join us on February 28th with a dollar in hand and enjoy this movie with the Holicong community!

When: Thursday, February 28th @ 6:30 pm

Why: To bring the Holicong community together to foster relationships and community building. The theme of each movie aligns with our Advisory Program at Holicong!

Who: All Holicong students, parents, staff, and friends and family!

HOLICONG COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT



HOLICONG MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTS . . .



- **2019 Show Schedule**
- **Thursday, March 7th @ 7 pm**
- **Friday, March 8th @ 7 pm,**
- **Saturday, March 9th @ 2 & 7 pm**
- **Tickets on Sale: Week of February 25th**
- **Behind the Scenes: Crew & Public Relations Information**





PENNSYLVANIA OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL JOSH SHAPIRO
INVITES YOU TO A COMMUNITY EVENT:

OPIOIDS, VAPING AND OTHER DRUGS

HOSTED BY CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
BUCKS COUNTY DRUG & ALCOHOL COMMISSION, INC.



**Bucks County
Medication Disposal:**
At this event, turn in
your medications for
safe disposal

Monday, February 25, 2019

**Central Bucks High School South
1100 Folly Road, Warrington, PA 18976**

5:30-6:30pm Resource tables and event check-in
Behind Closed Doors Exhibit
Pre-Session Vaping presentation workshop
Pre-Session Narcan training – (Pre-Registration Required – www.cbsd.org/workshop)
Resource providers from Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc.
on-site for families

6:30-8:30pm Presentations by:

- Attorney General Josh Shapiro
- District Attorney Matt Weintraub
- Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc.
- First-hand stories
- Question and Answer Panel

February 25th, 2019

COMMUNITY AWARENESS EVENT

Bucks County District Attorney Matthew Weintraub invites all parents to come to the
Community Awareness event on Monday, February 25th.



PLAY VIDEO



This event is open to the public. Child care will be available on-site.
For all questions, please contact Angela M. Linch (CBSD) at #267-893-2073





**THANK YOU TO OUR
HOLICONG COMMUNITY**

This year we raised...

\$35,839.71





Pennies for Patients

Thank you
Holicong
Community!

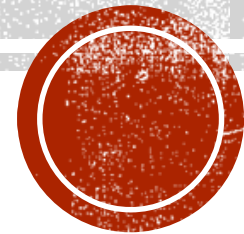
We raised over
\$1,000 for the
Leukemia &
Lymphoma
Society

Please Welcome...

Mr. Striano

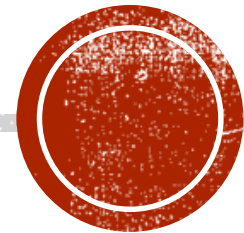


RISING 8TH GRADE AND 9TH GRADE PROGRAM PLANNING

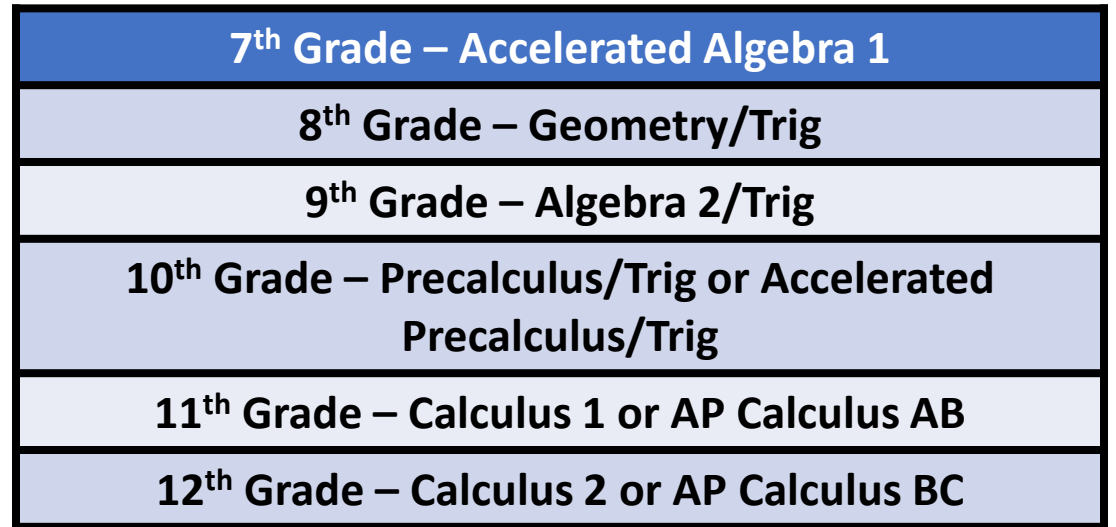
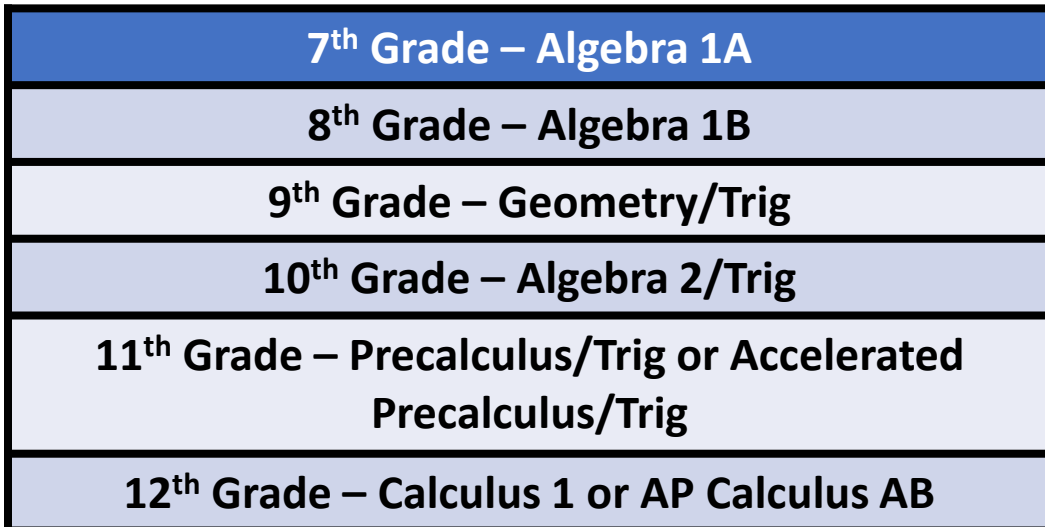
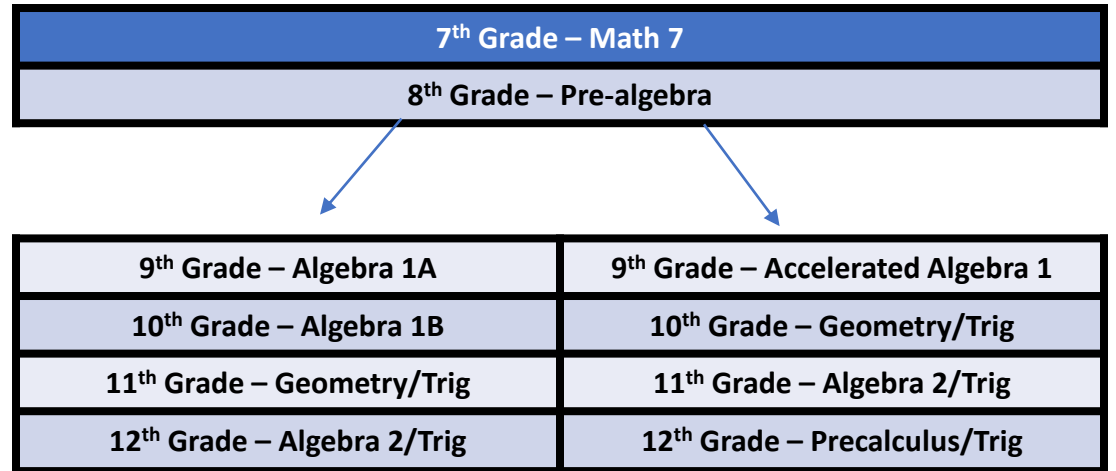
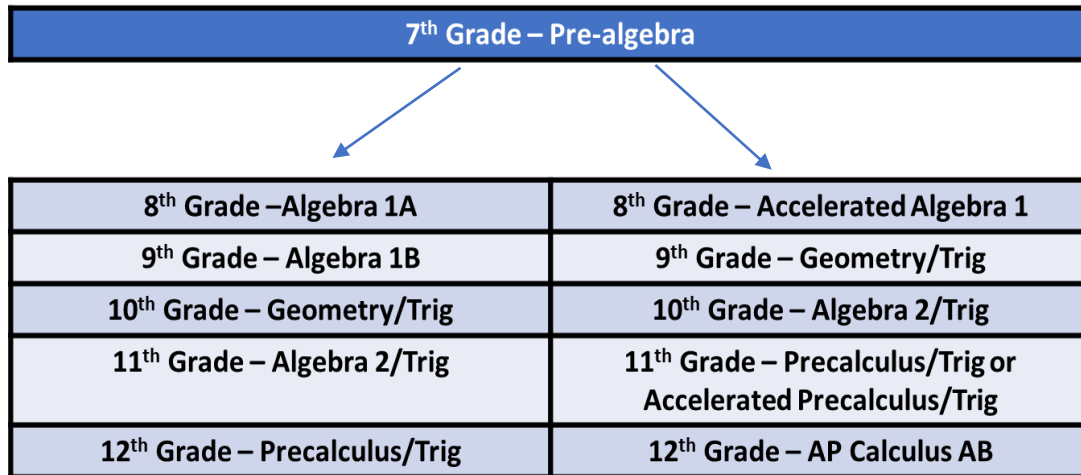


Frequently Asked Questions

7TH TO 8TH
PROGRAM PLANNING
RESOURCES



Math Pathways



RISING 8TH GRADE FAQ

- **What electives will my student take in 8th grade?**
 - Students will complete the “wheel” of electives by taking electives they did not take in 7th Grade
 - Music students will continue with their performing class and take PE/Health, Integrated Technology II, and the two electives they DID NOT take in 7th grade (Art, Principles of Engineering, or Family Consumer Science)
 - Non-performing music students will take PE/Health, Art, Principles of Engineering, Family Consumer Science, Integrated Technology and Exploratory Music
- **When does my student take a World Language?**
 - Students choose a world language to study in 8th grade unless it is determined they will benefit from Reading
 - French and Spanish are equitable in difficulty
 - French 1 is only offered in 8th grade



RISING 8TH GRADE FAQ

- **Does my student have to continue with a music performing group if they started in 7th grade?**
 - No, this is not required and students have the opportunity to change their electives during the program planning process. However, students are scheduled to continue with the performing music unless guidance is notified otherwise.
 - It is a decision that you as a family have to make if your child expresses an interest in no longer performing
- **Can I choose what electives my child takes in 8th grade?**
 - No, as mentioned in the previous slide every student is scheduled to take the full spectrum of electives offered in the middle school curriculum. Students have opportunities to choose electives in 9th grade



RISING 8TH GRADE FAQ

- **I see my student was recommended for Advanced Social Studies/Science what does that look like?**
 - Students going into 8th grade can be recommended for Advanced Science and/or Social Studies. Most of our students will take one or the other as both classes have large projects tied to them (Science Fair and National History Day) These year long projects end up completing around the same time so it can be very stressful trying to complete both
- **Are Advanced courses a different curriculum than Academic?**
 - No. Advanced courses include the projects discussed above and have higher expectations for writing standards and analysis

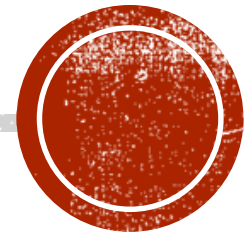


RISING 8TH GRADE FAQ

- **Does my student need to take Advanced in 8th grade to take 9th grade Honors courses?**
 - No, advanced courses in 8th grade are not pre-requisites for taking 9th grade advanced courses
- **When does PEN fit into my 8th grader's schedule?**
 - PEN 8 is completed in the Art curriculum for 8th grade. PEN students are enrolled in a special section of Art that is designed around PEN enrichment



8TH TO 9TH GRADE
PROGRAM PLANNING
RESOURCES



RISING 9TH GRADE FAQ

- **How many credits does my student need?**
 - Students will earn 6.75 credits in their 9th grade year. For a standard diploma students need 27.25 credits to graduate
 - Students earn .50 credits of their 1 credit Physical Education requirement in 9th grade
- **Do 9th Grade classes appear on high school transcripts?**
 - Yes, 9th grade is the first year of high school even though it is housed in the middle school building, and the 9th grade classes are designed with a high school level of rigor. These classes do appear on the transcript for Central Bucks East
- **Will my student still play sports for Holicong?**
 - It depends. All 9th grade students are eligible to try out for sports at CB East. However, Holicong does offer the following 9th grade sports:
Fall: Boys & Girls Soccer Winter: Boys & Girls Basketball Spring: Baseball & Softball



RISING 9TH GRADE FAQ

- **What electives can my student take in 9th grade?**
 - Non performing music students will take .50 credits of PE/Health. In addition, they will have their choice of 4 electives in the following areas: Art, Technology & Engineering Education, FCS, and Integrated Tech
 - Performing Music students will take .50 credits of their performing music class, .50 credits of PE/Health and 2 electives in the following areas: Art, Technology & Engineering Education, FCS, and Integrated Tech
- **Are there any new specials or curriculum offerings for 2019-2020?**
 - Guitar
 - Integrated Technology – includes coding
- **Are Honors classes “weighted” in 9th grade?**
 - Yes. 9th grade classes are weighted. The curriculum is different between academic and honors to justify the weighting of the 9th grade course. Even though the 9th grade courses are weighted, in speaking with the high school counselors, they report admissions offices strip away “weighted” GPAs to make everyone equal. Colleges are more interested in seeing students that take the most challenging curriculum available to them that they can succeed in.



HONORS VS. ACADEMIC CLASSES

- Available in English, Science, Social Studies, and Math
- Factors in Teacher Recommendation:
 - Class grades (both 7th and 8th)
 - PSSA scores (both 7th and 8th)
 - Specific skills (i.e. Writing)
 - Interest & motivation in subject area
 - Work habits



HONORS ENGLISH

Assessment –

- Core 1: Includes specific grammatical structures that enhance style in personal narrative
- Core 2: Required research components
- Revised rubrics

Writing –

- **Minimum of six required writing pieces, including two new required on-demand argument writing pieces**
- Additional research
- Additional grammar instruction to enhance style (new workbook)

Reading –

- Whole Novel Approach
- **Minimum of 4 more complex texts**
- *The Illustrated Man, Lord of the Flies, A Separate Peace, The Book Thief*



HONORS SOCIAL STUDIES

- **Higher expectation every day (more complex examples and applications, more complex formative and summative assessment)**
- Mid-Term
- Different Final Exam
- Different Core Assessments
- Additional Content
- **More reading and writing**
- 9th Grade Honors Book list (students required to choose one to read)
- More use of primary source documents
- More analysis, synthesis, interpretation, conceptual thinking and less memorization
- Students need to realize there is a higher expectation for deeper academic conversations with Socratic Circles, debates, using more outside research with evidence
- Different writing assessments- DBQ, pulling together to synthesize



HONORS SCIENCE

- Each unit of study will include:
 - Greater depth of content.
 - Different learning experiences.
 - Different (open inquiry) approach to laboratory investigations.
 - **Challenging reading assignments from scientific journals.**
- The course will include:
 - A nonfiction companion text.
 - Various research components.
 - Different unit assessments and core performance assessments.



QUESTIONS?

For more information please reach out your child's School Counselor:

Greg Striano

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Phone: (267) 893-2710



Safe 2 Say Something

Informational Brochure



Student Presentation



Student Presentations:

March 1st

Please Welcome...

Mrs. Sutterlin

&

Mrs. White

*Superintendent Parent
Advisory Report*

