



HOLICONG WEEKLY UPDATE

Week of January 13th, 2020

- ✓ Please see the [Holicong Announcements Page](#) for daily announcements and links to the weekly update. Please check our [Parent Council Page](#) for Parent Council presentations, meeting dates and other parent presentations throughout the year.

WEEK AHEAD

- ✓ **Monday**
 - NO SCHOOL – MLK DAY
 - VH1 Fundraiser at Café Soul
- ✓ **Tuesday**
 - Program Planning Assembly – 7th Grade Students
 - Faculty Meeting (Safe Schools)
 - JV Varsity Boys Tryouts
- ✓ **Wednesday**
 - ALICE – Shelter in Place Drill
- ✓ **Thursday**
 - Mock Trial Competition
- ✓ **Friday**
 - Extended Advisory – Humanitarians of Holicong planned follow up to Mykee Fowlin presentation!
- ✓ **& Saturday**
 - VH-1 Concert! We are sold out for all shows but you can still help out with this cause!

WEEK IN REVIEW

- ✓ **Winter Arts Night & Choir Concert** – A special thank you to our students and especially Mr. Glaser, Mrs. Repper, Mrs. Flath, Ms. O’Brien, Mrs. Ritter, & Ms. Panitch for collaborating on this wonderful event. Not only does it showcase the work our students do at Holicong to our parents & public, but it shows our community the collaboration among our departments to make the learning experience most valuable to our students. The fact that students get to showcase their work in this setting provides a sense of ownership, pride and accountability that might not take place if isolated in a classroom. And as usual...the students delivered amazing art, food, and music and hopefully saw how these connected in meaningful ways!
- ✓ **Girls Varsity Basketball** – The girls season ended with a tough loss in the semifinal of the district tournament. They got down by a big margin early, but they showed resiliency and came back in the second half to put a scare in the opposing team – this is the type of grit we expect and proud of them and Coach Kelly for an awesome year!
- ✓ **Department Meetings** – Teachers worked in department areas on curriculum and department goals.
- ✓ **Mock Trial Competition** – Congratulations to our Mock Trial team for their performance last week. These 9th graders deserve a “shout out” because not only do these students put in A LOT of time

(during lunches, after school) to prepare for Mock Trial, it is worth noting they are competing against high school students who have been doing this for several years – and some are seniors. Mr. Maigur and Mr. Kelly only get to work with them for one year – we are extremely proud of this group and how they represent our school community.

- ✓ **Parent Council** – We held two Parent Council sessions on Thursday covering school updates but with a primary focus on 9th grade information & program planning. This presentation will be sent in a separate communication and posted on the [Holicong Parent Council Page](#). Two notes:
 - A special shout out to our 9th grade student leaders for joining us and collaborating with parents – we will use this information as we plan our work for the year.
 - A thank you to the parents who attended for providing honest & open feedback (both positive and areas for growth). Based on this discussion we will continue to communicate in the same manner we have and do our best to send you information in these updates and others that send you directly to the “places you need to go). It is also very much appreciated to have this time to have these discussions in an open and honest manner and explain perspectives from parents, the school and students so we can all have a better understanding of how this all works – and look for ways to grow and improve.

ANNOUNCEMENT & UPDATES

- ✓ **World Languages Club** – Senora Grosse and Madame Del Rosario have joined forces and created the this new club that is open to all students at Holicong (included in Parent Council presentation).
- ✓ **Autism Awareness T-shirts** – These are currently on sale. All proceeds will be directed toward Peer Connect. Thanks to Sarah, Kiersten, and Mrs. Neff for presenting at Parent Council (included in Parent Council presentation).
- ✓ **Faces of Holicong** – The focus of this week’s [Faces of Holicong](#) is Jacob & Dennis interviewing Sadie Adams about Neutropenia. Her brother suffers from this condition and her goal is to inform our community about and raise funds to support research. We are working to create a webpage on the site solely for the Faces of Holicong features as we share these stories from our school community with our entire school community!
- ✓ **Community Connections** – Save the Date for January 30th @ 6:00 pm as Dr. Kopicki will visit Holicong to meet with parents for an informal evening.
- ✓ **Celebration of Our Schools** – Save the Date for January 29th @ 6:30 pm at CB South. Click here for more information [Celebration of Our Schools](#)
- ✓ **End of 2nd Marking Period & Open Study** – With the end of the 2nd marking period less than 3 weeks away (January 31st) it a good time to remind students and parents that our “**Open Study**” takes place in the library every Tuesday & Thursday after school from 2:30 – 4:00. This is an excellent time for students to get caught up on work, study, do homework and other projects, and receive academic support in math (thanks Mrs. Farrell) in an academic environment where students to have all the resources they need without the distractions they may have outside of school.

- ✓ **VH-1 “Decade in Review”** – This is a Holicong & CBSD Showcase and we have less than 200 tickets remaining! Please see below for links to purchase tickets & donate to this cause.
 - GoFundMe Online Donation Platform for CB Save The Music Concert:
<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/cbsd-save-the-music-concert-2020>
 - Less than 200 tickets remain for this year’s concert weekend. Click on this link to purchase yours: <https://cbstm2020.brownpapertickets.com>

UPCOMING DATES

JANUARY CALENDAR DATES

January 24 th	VH1 Save the Music Concert
January 25 th	VH1 Save the Music Concert
January 28 th	CBSD School Board Meeting
January 29 th	Celebration of Our Schools (CB South)
January 30 th	Community Connections Meeting Hosted by Dr. Kopicki (Holicong)
January 30 th	Team 7-1 Field Trip (Penn Museum)
January 30 th	8 th Grade Program Planning Assembly;
January 31 st	End of 1 st MARKING PERIOD & ½ Day for Students

FEBRUARY CALENDAR DATES

Week of February 3 rd	National School Counseling Week
February 3 rd	Leadership Council
February 3 rd	Start of 3 rd Marking Period (Specials Change for 2 nd semester)
February 4 th	ALICE DRILL
February 7 th	First Friday – Colonial Spirit Day
February 7 th	Extended Advisory – Team Activities
February 7 th	<u>Holicong Winter Dance!</u>
February 10 th	Faculty Meeting
February 11 th	<u>Math Midterm</u>
February 11 th	CB Broadway Cares
February 11 th	CBSD School Board Meeting
February 14 th	NO SCHOOL (Staff Development for Staff)
February 17 th	NO SCHOOL (Staff Development for Staff)
February 19 th	Department Meetings
February 20 th	Parent Council (9:00 am & 6:00 pm)
February 21 st	Extended Advisory – Student Activities
February 21 st	Team 7-0 Field Trip (Penn Museum)
February 19 th	6 th Grade Parent Orientation
February 24 th	Faculty Meeting
February 25 th	Holicong String Social
February 25 th	CBSD School Board Meeting