

# Holdingsford District & Community Education Newsletter

*Spring 2019*



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# Superintendent News

Greetings from the desk of the superintendent's office at Holdingford School! The school year continues to move along swiftly and exciting things continue to happen here. I would like to take a moment to discuss some of the progress that has taken place since the referendum vote.

Early this month, the school district accepted bids for the roofing project. The bid was awarded to Granite City Roofing out of St. Cloud. The bid came in slightly under the amount budgeted in the referendum estimates. Plans will begin to create the timeline for the completion of this project. It is estimated that work will begin this spring and will be completed by sometime in the fall.

There has also been a great deal of work in creating the scope of the rest of the construction projects. Architects met with our school user groups in December to gather specific information about department needs. The information was used to create more detailed plans that were then presented to the groups again in January. The same information was brought to the school board at the January meeting.

As plans become clearer an informational meeting will be scheduled for the community to walk through the plans. This will be an important night to show what we have been working on but also hear comments from the community.

Finally, I would like to share one final piece of exciting news. The building bonds sale took place on January 14<sup>th</sup>. This was great news for our district. First, our Moody's Investor rating was upgraded to an "A3" rating. This was a result of the district working hard in the last few years to become more financially stable. Because of that upgraded rating, we received a great interest rate on the sale of the bonds.

During the referendum process, all of our estimates for tax impact were based on a 4.25% interest rate. The low bid on the bond sale was 3.22%! This will have a great impact on future tax rates for the project. While the 2019 tax levy has already been set, the tax impact in 2020 and later will be lower than previous estimates by around 25%.

Previous estimates on a home valued at \$200,000 were estimated to be an increase of \$165. The true impact in 2020 will be \$128. This 25% change equally impacts the tax impact on farmland as well.

If you would like to learn more about how the lower interest rate affects your taxes for 2020 and beyond, please go to the school website.

Chris Swenson, Superintendent



## Winter Tips from Your School Nurses

### Make Health Your Resolution

Happy New Year! Actually, by the time you read this, January will already be almost over. However, it's never too late to make some healthy changes. Whatever your 2019 resolutions may be, consider adding some of the suggestions listed below.

**Healthy You:** Make healthy food choices and be active. Drink plenty of water. Get enough sleep. Make a new friend. Learn a new hobby (or re-visit a long lost one!). Make appointments for checkups (annual physicals, eye exams, dental cleanings, etc.), vaccinations, and screenings. Wash your hands often.

**Healthy Family:** Plan to eat more meals together as a family. Encourage and support physical activity. Spend more time together. Be courteous and practice good manners. Set aside technology and engage in conversation, read, or play games with one another.

**Healthy Home:** Go green. Recycle, reduce, and reuse. Install/check smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms on every level of your home. Keep medications and cleaning products away from children. Have a winter weather emergency plan, and stock your home and vehicle with necessary supplies.

**Healthy Community:** Volunteer at your church, school, or one of the many community centers needing help or an extra hand. If you have received help from others, try to repeat the gesture. Extend a common courtesy wherever you are -- they are always appreciated and hopefully duplicated.

**Healthy School/Workplace:** Stay home if you are sick. Participate in healthy workplace programs. Take steps to prevent stress and anxiety related to school or your job.

Enjoy a new year of healthy possibilities!

### **Cold Weather Reminders**

Please send your child to school well prepared for the cold weather. In the winter, just as in warmer seasons, children need exercise, sunshine, and fresh air, so elementary students will continue to have **at least** 15 minutes of outdoor recess every day. Even if it is so cold that we keep students inside for recess, emergencies with power and heat in the building and/or on the school bus may expose your child to cold conditions. Please help your child choose warm, comfortable clothing for school each day, including socks. In addition, make sure he/she has appropriate outdoor winter gear: a warm coat, snow pants, a hat, mittens/gloves, and boots. Please continue sending these items for as long as snow is on the ground . . . a student can always take off layers if he/she doesn't end up needing them. Boots are also helpful when the snow melts and is replaced with mud!

### **Head Lice**

We have seen a few cases of head lice over the past couple of weeks. Please make sure you are checking your child(ren) weekly to help with early detection and prevention of infestation. Contact the school nurses if you have questions/concerns regarding how to properly check for and identify bugs and nits.

### **Wash, Wash, Wash Your Hands!!!**

Proper hand hygiene involves five simple and effective steps (Wet, Lather, Scrub, Rinse, Dry) and is one of the best defenses against gastrointestinal and respiratory illnesses. Regular handwashing, particularly before and after certain activities, removes germs from your hands, which may allow you to avoid getting sick and prevents the spread of germs to others. It's quick, it's simple, and it can help to keep all of us healthy. Handwashing is a win for everyone (except the germs!).

Encourage your child(ren) to wash their hands frequently, especially before meals and after using the bathroom. To ensure they are taking enough time to adequately kill germs, have them sing the ABC song while scrubbing.

### **Illness & School Attendance: When to Keep Your Child at Home**

Any child with the following symptoms should stay home:

- A fever of 100 degrees or higher. A child should not come back to school until his/her temperature is normal for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication (i.e., acetaminophen or ibuprofen).
- Vomiting or diarrhea within the past 24 hours.
- Any rash accompanied by a fever.
- A sore throat with a fever and/or a rash.
- A cough that is frequent and disruptive or that keeps your child awake at night.
- Redness in the whites of the eyes; swollen eyelids; thick yellow/green/white discharge that crusts over the eyelashes, especially after sleep. These symptoms may suggest conjunctivitis (pink eye).

\*\*A good question to ask yourself as a parent is, "Would I want my child to sit next to a child with these symptoms?"\*\*

### **Nosebleeds**

If your child suffers from winter nosebleeds, it may be from the dry winter air. Try using a cold air humidifier in the child's room at night. Saline nose drops or petroleum jelly may also help.

### **February is National Dental Health Month!**

Lifelong habits begin at home. Make dental health part of your daily routine and share these reminders with your whole family.

- Brush your teeth at least twice a day with fluoride toothpaste, especially in the morning and before bedtime.
- Floss every day. An adult should help children under the age of 8 to floss. Older children should be ready to floss on their own.
- Visit a dentist regularly for routine checkups and cleanings.
- Protect your teeth by wearing a mouthguard when playing sports.
- Don't forget to change your toothbrush every 3 - 4 months (or sooner if the bristles are frayed), and after an illness.
- Choose healthy snacks and beverages that aren't high in sugar.

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# Food Service

## New Way to Send Lunch Money

Most adults remember having their favorite lunch lady remind them when it was time to bring money and perhaps giving a note that was usually forgotten in a pocket to go through the laundry. If you are even a bit older, you may remember having a lunch ticket that had a certain number of punches and needing to purchase a new ticket before the last punch was gone. Technology has made the process of parents sending lunch money so much easier by utilizing family accounts, automated phone call reminders, online payment and our newest feature, Auto-Replenish.

At Holdingford Schools, the automated phone call reminders arrive in a parent's phone or email box on Monday and Thursday evenings when the balance is below \$10 for paid students or any negative amount for free students. If families are not currently getting those reminders or they should go to a different phone, log into Skyward Family Access and select SkyAlert to update your preferences. Remember that the accounts are for all the students in a family, but the phone call only mentions the name of one student.

Once a family is aware of the need to refill the family lunch account, there are many options. Checks and cash are always welcome. When sending a check, it is helpful to put the name of one student on the memo line to ensure it gets into the right account. If you must send cash, always put it in a sealed envelope with the name of the student and the amount written clearly on the front. We do not encourage sending large amounts of cash with young students, but understand that it is sometimes what works best for families.

Online payments are quick and convenient for both staff and families. Parents know immediately that the lunch money arrived at school and was properly credited. To make an online payment, log into Skyward Family Access and select Foodservice and follow the prompts to make a payment. All credit and debit card payments must be made online; foodservice staff is not able to take card numbers and process electronic payments over the phone. If you do not know your Skyward Family Access username or password, contact the secretary at your child's school.

The newest option for keeping up on lunch payments is Auto Replenish. When making an online payment, there is an option to choose Auto Replenish which will automatically bill your credit or debit card for payments either when the account gets low or on a certain date. The parent can decide the amount and frequency of payments. Several families are already using this option and are finding it convenient. One thing to keep in mind is that Auto Replenish payments process after 7:00PM while the reminder phone calls go at around 6:00PM. If you have enrolled in Auto Replenish and get a low balance phone call, wait until the next morning and watch your email for a receipt as it should process yet that night.

Even with all these options, sometimes families have a difficult time getting money to school for their child's lunches. If your family is struggling to pay for lunches, call the Foodservice Director, Melissa Anderson at 746-4328 to find out if your family might qualify for free meals. Financial information is always kept confidential. Even your child does not need to know their meals are free as their PIN number will remain the same and the cashiers do not know which students are on free or paid meals. If your family has grown or your income has decreased since fall, it is worth finding out if free meals could help stretch your family's budget. Information and applications for meal benefits are also on the District website under Food Services.

Submitted By: Melissa Anderson, Foodservice Director



## Special Education Assessments For Home-School Or Private-School Students

In response to Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Minnesota must demonstrate that "all children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities, and who are in need of special education and related services, are identified, located and evaluated." This responsibility extends to children with disabilities who are educated at home or in non-public schools.

Upon request, the Holdingford School District will provide information to concerned parents on specific disabilities including information about the educational or behavioural characteristics of each disability. Parents who believe their child may indeed have a disability may request information on how to arrange for an evaluation through the district's special education staff.

Parents of students who are evaluated and are found to be eligible for special education services will become part of a team which will develop, implement and monitor the effectiveness of an Individual Service Plan (ISP) to meet the identified needs of their children.

If you have questions or would like to receive information about specific learning disabilities or evaluation, please contact the appropriate building principal.

If your child is between birth to age three, contact Benton Stearns Education District at 252-8427. The Holdingford School District is committed to promoting academic success for all students.



## Activities & Athletics



### HOLDINGFORD HIGH SCHOOL AAA WINNERS 2018-2019

Each year the Minnesota State High School League sponsors AAA. Seniors, Alex Lange and Marissa Gerads, were selected as AAA winners at Holdingford High School.

This award is granted on the basis of contributions the young men and women have made in the area of Arts, Academics and Athletics. The criteria at Holdingford High School are as follows (in each of the three areas they cannot get more than 15 points):

In Athletics - Students get points for number of letters earned, number of All Conference and All State selections, numbers of times they were captains.

In Academics - Students are awarded points for GPA on a graduated scale of 1-15 and for being in the National Honor Society.

In Arts - Students are awarded points for participation in choir, band, One Act, musical and speech. Students must have a GPA of 3.0 and higher and must be involved in both Athletics and Fine Arts.

A banquet will be held to honor these candidates.

Holdingford High School is very proud of these fine young adults!



### Spring Musical

Don't miss your chance to see this year's spring musical: *Seussical: The Musical!* Based on stories by the beloved Dr. Seuss, *Seussical* follows Horton the Elephant as he tries to save the Whos Of Whoville from destruction by those who think he's crazy. Don't miss all your favorite characters like The Cat in the Hat, Gertrude McFuzz, Maysie LaBird, Thing 1 and Thing 2, among many others in this live-action comedy suitable for the entire family!

Performances are March 29, 30, and 31. Visit Holdingford High School's activity page for more details!



### HOLDINGFORD SCHOOLS HALL OF FAME 2019

Our mission is to recognize the contributions and achievements of graduates, staff, and community members who have brought honor and distinction to the legacy and heritage of Holdingford Schools. We are looking for nominations in all areas. If you would like to nominate someone, the form is on the district website under Activities. Nominations are due April 30, 2019. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Harren, Chairperson, at [ljharren@albanytel.com](mailto:ljharren@albanytel.com).



# Elementary News

Greetings and Happy New Year from Holdingford Elementary School! I am happy to share that the start of the 2019 school year has been filled with excitement to learn, a love for our school, and positive Husker hard work ethic! I would like to take this opportunity to thank my amazingly talented student body, our extremely supportive families, a dedicated and helpful PTA, and a top notch teaching staff.

We ushered in the new year by exploring our strengths and weaknesses as a school by participating in the Minnesota Elementary School of Excellence self-study and staff survey. It is our hopes that the data we receive will help define what we do Husker Great for children and what we need to work on to be Husker BEST for children. I am excited to begin building on our strengths and planning for improvements. I thank my teaching and support staff for helping with this process.

I am super excited for March Kindergarten round up. I love meeting new Husker families and sharing a smile and laughter with returning families. Please do not hesitate to call me at 320-746-4461, if I can help your family explore our kindergarten program and our amazing school.

We have a GREAT school! I feel blessed to be your principal and can honestly brag...we have the BEST children and families in Central Minnesota...perhaps the world! My children/our children are honest, kind, caring, helpful, polite, creative, talented, respectful, responsible, and hard working. Not every day is easy...we make mistakes. But together we build each other up. We create hope. We strive to be the best we can be for our school, our families, and our communities. Go Huskers!

Sincerely,  
Jim Stang

Holdingford Elementary School Principal



## Kindergarten Meeting

You are invited to attend the **Kindergarten Informational Meeting** on Monday, March 11, 2019. This meeting is for families of children who will be enrolling in kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year. We will have two times available for you to choose from. You may come to the meeting at 4:00PM or at 6:00PM. These meetings will be in the Media Center of the elementary building. Please enter door # 8. If you cannot attend, please call the school at 746-4462, leave your name and number and you will be contacted regarding the informational meeting. Also, if you are not planning to have your child attend Holdingford or are keeping your child home another year, please call and give this information to the school secretary by April 1st. This is extremely important in planning for enrollment.

At this meeting, which is for parents only, we will explain our kindergarten program and schedule, give out registration materials, and respond to questions and/or concerns.

## 2019 District Spelling Bee



The Little Theater played host to this year's District 738 Spelling Bee on Wednesday, January 9th. Superintendent, Chris Swenson, welcomed parents and students to the yearly District Spelling Bee. Aidan Pellett, 7th grader, won the bee in the 16th round after correctly spelling the championship word, "bronchitis." Aidan battled with runner-up Gracelyn Gerads, also a 7th grader, for 8 rounds before being declared the winner. Aidan will

represent Holdingford at the Regional Bee, February 5, at 1:00 at Resource Training & Solutions in St Cloud. Kate Murnane was the Bee's pronouncer. Denise Waletzko served as the head judge, Sue Ruprecht, dictionary judge, and Cindy Lonneman, rounds judge. Elementary principal, Jim Stang, handed out ribbons and certificates to all participants. Aidan and Gracelyn received gift cards to Barnes and Nobles as the champion and runner-up in the District Bee. Alizah Gronau received a gift card also for participating in all the bees from 5th grade through 8th grade. Fifth grade participants were Af-ton Scegura, Angel Loehrer, Hayden Bechtold, Caleb Krattenmaker, Trevor Johannes, and Olivia Meyer. Sixth graders included Emily Ottman, Shailyn Welinski, Payton Winter, Marissa Nienaber, Carter Helback, and Gracie Philippi. Participants for the seventh grade were champion, Aidan Pellett, runner-up, Gracelyn Gerads, Maddi Mitchell, Leo Fussy, Connor Breth, and Dustin Schmitz. Kaden Araskog, Alizah Gronau, Jaidyn Tracy, and Trevin Pogachnik were the eighth grade spellers. Congratulations to all participants, GOOD LUCK, Aidan at the Regional Bee!



# February is I LOVE to READ!



## Dates to Remember

PTA Meeting	Feb. 12
Open School	Feb. 8
No School	Feb. 15
Conferences ½ day	Feb. 25
Conferences ½ day	Feb. 28
No School	Mar. 1
Calendars due	Mar. 5
Library Night	Mar. 5



Ladies & Gentlemen! Our PTA has put together some fun and exciting ways for all of us to embrace reading a little more and unplug from our helpful but distracting devices

### “READ IN” JAN. 31<sup>ST</sup> 6-7 PM

To kick off I love to read month, we will be hosting an hour long “READ IN” in the elementary library on Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 6-7PM. Help us reach the goal of reading 350 books in one hour! Students are invited to find their favorite story from the library collect or bring one from home. Find a cozy spot and start reading! Come for the hour or stay for just one book. After each book is finished, add your title to our bookshelf. Each participant will earn a voucher for free admission and popcorn at the Husker girls’ home basketball game that very evening at 7:15pm. Another great way to spend an evening unplugged and showing your school spirit.

### Unplug & Read Calendars

By Thursday January 31<sup>st</sup> your child will bring home a Husker Unplug and Read Every Night calendar. Please hang it in a safe spot and join in on the fun. Every night, help mark the minutes your child has read on their calendar. Then on Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, have them return it to their classroom teacher. Our grade level teachers will be adding up minutes read to determine a winner between grade levels in each POD. All participants who hand in their calendars on time will also receive a small prize for taking this challenge to heart. Remember, by signing your Husker unplug and Read Calendar, families are ensuring that the minutes read each night are recorded honestly and accurately. Let’s start reading our favorite story’s!

### Library Night Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> 6-7:30PM

Bring I Love to Read Month to a close will be our annual PTA Library Night on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> 6-7:30PM. We are excited to be sharing this night with our littlest learners and their families in our Early Childhood Family Education program. Come and join the fun by making book marks, exploring elementary technology, and listening to character readers. Remember to stop by the continuous story table, feed your brain a good book, and your body a healthy snack! Don’t forget to dress up as your favorite book character. We can’t wait to see you there

## Time of Giving

Holdford Elementary collected items for a local food shelf. Elementary students, staff, and community donated 1,234 items. The 6th graders were in charge of gathering the collected items each morning from the classrooms in each pod. The collection days were November 7-15. Items collected included non-perishable items such as; food, toiletries, diapers, paper products, and cleaning products. Thanks to all who donated to replenish the food shelf for the holiday season.

Submitted by: Cindy Lonnemon, 6th Grade Teacher



# High School News

Greetings from Holdingford High School. Can you believe we are halfway through the school year? I am very proud of our students, they have been working extremely hard in their classrooms. Our students' generosity, kindness, and respectfulness make coming to school enjoyable not only for me but for everyone. Thank you parents and guardians for helping to promote positive behavior and academic success!

Activities: There have been many activities since the last newsletter. The Sr. High Student Council conducted a blood drive with the American Red Cross, a Student of the Quarter assembly recognizing students for their academic achievements was held, the choir put on great performances, the Student Council sponsored a winter formal dance, and winter activities are in mid-season.

Testing: Students in grades 7 and 8 took the AIMSweb test in the fall and will now take the winter benchmark test. AimsWeb testing is done three times per year: fall, winter, and spring and assesses students growth in reading and math. We are eager to see how students are progressing. MCA testing begins in April. If parents would like to work with their children to help them prepare for testing, practice problems are available at [www.mnstateassessments.org](http://www.mnstateassessments.org) under the item sampler page. The ACT will be offered to all juniors on April 2. There are many online resources students can access to prepare. They were also given a practice packet to take home in December.

2019 Minnesota Survey: Students in grades 5, 8, 9 and 11 will participate in the 2019 Minnesota Student Survey (MSS). Federal law requires us to notify parents of this school activity. The MSS is conducted in schools across our state every three years. Questions on the survey are about many topics relating to young people's lives. The survey asks about how well school is going, future plans, out-of-school activities, physical and mental health, relationships, substance use and more. High school students are asked about sexual behavior. This useful information about their thoughts and behaviors helps communities and schools develop effective programs and provide better services. Letters were sent home with students in homeroom on January 10th.

**The Minnesota Student Survey (MSS) will be administered: Grades 8, 9, and 11 on February 7, 2019.**

Parent Teacher Conferences: The next Parent Teacher Conferences will be held February 25 from 1:00 -8:00 pm and February 28 from 1:00 – 3:30 pm.

I am looking forward to a great start to the second half of the school year. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 320-746-4309 or email me at [angela.safran@isd738.org](mailto:angela.safran@isd738.org).

Angela Safran  
Holdingford Secondary Principal

## Class Registration for 2019 – 2020 School Year

It is time for students to start thinking about classes for next school year. Registration books will be distributed to students on January 28-29. Please ask your child about registration and help him/her in choosing courses for next year. Students will be doing online registration February 7 and 8. A reminder to students and parents, students will be choosing classes for the **entire school year**. Schedule changes will only be made if strict criteria is met (please refer to the registration book). Our entire master schedule and staffing needs are based on these registration numbers, which is why we rarely grant schedule changes. Ms. Ruszat will go over schedules individually with students in the spring and that is the time when schedules are finalized.

Angela Safran  
Holdingford Secondary Principal



## Grade 7 & 8 Targeted Services Program

The after school Targeted Services program continues to meet at the high school for students in grades 7 & 8. The program is designed to help students in a variety of academic areas as well as organizational skills. The program is offered on Monday and Wednesdays from 3:15 – 4:15. The instructor for the program is Carin Pedersen, a secondary science teacher. If you still want to register your child for this program or want more information about the program, contact Ms. Pedersen at 746 – 4501 or [carin.pedersen@isd738.org](mailto:carin.pedersen@isd738.org).

**GRADE 12 - A HONOR ROLL**

MEGAN ASPERHEIM  
BAILEY A. BOULTON  
BRIDGET T. CATTON  
BROOKE M. CATTON  
ABIGAIL M. FREEMAN  
LEXI A. GERADS  
MARISSA N. GERADS  
BENJAMIN K. GREBINOSKI  
HEIDI R. HARTUNG  
STUART W. HAWN  
MEGHAN A. HICKS  
TAYLOR A. KOOPMEINERS  
ALEX R. LANGE  
JENNA RAUSCH  
AVA C. RUPRECHT  
TREVOR J. SOWADA  
SAMANTHA S. YOUNG

**GRADE 11 - A HONOR ROLL**

CALEB J. CZECK  
JAKE T. ETHEN  
MADELEINE R. FUSSY  
EMMA GERADS  
MEGAN S. HARTUNG  
ALEXANDER R. HENNEN  
AMELIA M. KAHLHAMER  
SADIE J. KARLSON  
KAITLIN R. KIMMONS  
JOSEPH J. NORTON  
JORDYN L. PATRICK  
MORGAN C. PLATZ  
MAYA L. POGATCHNIK  
KAITLYN R. REBER  
FAITH N. SKROCH  
ALYSSA M. TIX  
SPENCER R. TROBEC  
LAUREN G. VOUK  
CHRISTIAN J. WILLOUGHBY  
EZEKIEL J. WOODS  
COLE N. WUNDERLICH  
BRENDON C. YAMRY

**GRADE 10 - A HONOR ROLL**

JADEN M. BRETH  
CARTER B. BUCHTA  
CADE R. CLEAR  
BROOKE M. FIEDLER  
RYLEE N. FRIEDRICH  
KENDRA C. GERADS

REBEKAH J. GERADS  
LYDIA A. HOIKKA  
MICHAEL L. HOLZ  
BRIDGETTE LENZEN  
RAEGAN L. LUNDBLAD  
DANIELLE J. LYON  
THERESA F. MEIER  
EMILY L. MILLER  
JENESSA L. RUDOLPH  
BRANDYN D. SCEGURA  
ADAM T. SCHLOEMER  
ARI E. SCHMIDT  
BREANNE N. SKROCH  
OLIVIA R. SMITH  
CARISSA R. STARK  
CARTER R. WUEBKERS  
KAYLEE L. YAMRY

**GRADE 9 - A HONOR ROLL**

TERESA I. ETHEN  
MAXWELL C. JENDRO  
CLARE C. KUTZMAN  
JARRED M. MALESKA  
CLARA L. PFLUEGER  
ISABELLE R. RISBERG  
SAMANTHA M. SKWIRA  
CASSANDRA R. SOWADA  
CHLOE A. SWANSON  
BREA C. WORLIE

**GRADE 8 - A HONOR ROLL**

ABBY J. BARTHEL  
MEKENNA L. BARTKOWICZ  
BROOKLYN I. BRUNS  
NICOLE M. BUCHTA  
COBY J. CLEAR  
TANNER N. EIKMEIER  
MARIAH I. FIEDLER  
BETHANY M. GERADS  
ALIZAH A. GRONAU  
MARISSA R. HARTUNG  
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GAVIN M. JOHNSON  
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ELLIE R. SAND  
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ABBY J. STREIT  
TANNER TOMASEK  
JESSICA VOUK  
BLAKE A. WELLE  
GRACE E. WOITALLA  
MARIA WRUCK

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CONNOR J. BRETH  
PAIGE N. FIEDLER  
COLLIN L. FRIEDRICH  
LEO J. FUSSY  
GRACELYN M. GERADS  
BREANNA R. GERTKEN  
MYA R. GLADER  
BLAISE M. HARTUNG  
ERIN E. HARTUNG  
MAKENNA K. HOHBEIN  
DOMINICK B. HOIKKA  
KYRSTEN A. HULS  
KENDALL J. ISDER  
LUKAS W. JENDRO  
KENDRA R. JOHANNES  
HANNAH R. KUKLOK  
DREW G. LANGE  
ALLEN K. LEENERTS  
MAKAYLA M. LENZEN  
EVAN D. LICHY  
MADISON E. MITCHELL  
JADA K. MOSEY  
LORRAINE C. MROSLA  
LILY A. NOTSCH  
AUBRIE C. OPATZ  
DIERKS M. OPATZ  
JENNA E. PALLOW  
ABRIL I. PARKS  
AIDAN B. PELLETT  
EVAN G. PETRON  
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RILEY GLATZEL  
BRIAN E. GOHMAN  
DYLAN A. GRIMSLEY  
EDWIN E. HARTUNG  
KIARA HEUER  
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HUNTER J. WELLE  
TAMARA E. WEYER  
JACOB H. WOLTER  
GAGE R. YLINEN

**GRADE 11- B HONOR ROLL**

AVERY K. ATHMANN  
YANISA BAVONRATTANAPRAN  
ALYSSA L. BERNDT  
CHASE J. BOECKMAN  
MARK T. BUCHHOLZ  
ZACHERY A. DUBBIN  
KUYLER R. FRINK  
GRACE M. GERADS  
ANNALISA M. GIESER  
LANCE HARREN  
KEARDYN ISAACSON-HAWKER  
MADISON M. KIEFFER  
WESLEY R. KRAEMER  
ALLY J. LAMPERT  
ANNA J. LEHNER  
CALEB R. LOOMIS  
RACHEL R. MACIEJEWSKI  
KAYLA A. MEYER  
MICHAEL D. MILLER  
BLAKE J. NIEMEYER  
IZABELLA R. PUERINGER  
RHIANNON S. RITZER

JOY ROLLENHAGEN  
ANGELINE R. SAKRY  
PAIGE K. SCHLEPER  
ALEX J. THELL  
PETER J. VASILJ  
MICHAEL J. VOGT  
JACOB P. VOUK  
AARON M. WELLE  
CHLOE N. WOHLTZ

**GRADE 10 - B HONOR ROLL**

LEIGHTON D. BIRR  
BRADEN BOMGAARS  
NICKOLAS A. BRETH  
DALTON J. BRINKMAN  
JUSTIN R. BURG  
JADELYN FANDEL  
MATTHEW L. FIEDLER  
PAIGE A. GIELEN  
KYLE D. GILL  
ALYSSA L. KRAUSE  
KENDRA L. KUKLOK  
ABIGAIL R. LAMPERT  
TATE L. LANGE  
JENNA N. LAWIN  
CAIDEN A. LEBLANC  
MAKENZIE L. MARQUEDANT  
GAVIN L. MOEN  
PAIGE S. PAULZINE  
JOSEPHINE F. PHILIPPI  
ANDREW M. RADEN  
CHASE C. RAU  
JOSEPHINE A. RIEDY  
MADISON SAND  
HUNTER R. SCHMITZ  
MAXWELL E. SECORD  
JOSIAH SILTALA  
MIKAELA L. SOLTIS  
NATHAN M. SOWADA  
KAITLYNN M. STANG  
HANNA M. STANOCH  
ANDREW L. STOCK  
GEROD J. VOLLER

**GRADE 9 - B HONOR ROLL**

HANNAH A. ANDERSEN  
HAILEY M. ARRENHOLZ  
JADEN K. BARTKOWICZ  
EMILY K. CARLSON  
ASHLYNN M. EUERLE  
CHRISTINA FIEDLER  
ISAAC R. FOWLER

SAMUEL J. HARREN  
ANNA J. HARTUNG  
JACOB W. HAWN  
GRANT M. KILEY  
CONNOR A. KLOCKER  
BLAKE A. KOLLES  
GARRETT M. KOSTREBA  
REBECCA D. LAMPERT  
CONNER A. MOKHTARY  
BRITNEY M. NOTSCH

**GRADE 8 - B HONOR ROLL**

KAIDEN ARASKOG  
VINCENT C. BOOTH  
GRACE M. BRADY  
KELSEY A. DOLL  
CYRIL L. FEIA IV  
MELAYNA G. HULS  
JACOB S. KLEIN  
HAILEY G. KUBAT  
MACKENZIE J. LAGLER  
MATTHEW L. LEHNER  
ELIJAH L. MARQUEDANT  
CODY M. MCKENZIE  
WYATT A. MILLER  
ELIJAH L. NIENABER  
ELIAS M. PHILIPPI  
LUCAS A. PROVO  
BLAKE M. SCEGURA  
NICOLE S. SILTALA  
SAMUEL SKROCH  
OWEN SKWIRA  
MASON J. STREIT  
JAIDYN J. TRACY  
KIERSTON L. WHEAT  
MADISON M. ZEHOWSKI  
KYLE J. ZEIMETZ

**GRADE 7 - B HONOR ROLL**

KAYTE L. BARTOS  
MASON D. BENGSTON  
RAYMOND J. BLOCH  
ELLEGRA C. BOOTH  
ARES A. CHAPMAN  
ALEX K. CHRISTENSEN  
JACK T. D'INCAU  
JAQUELIN F. DIAZ  
PAIGE E. DOLL  
AMANDA M. GIELEN  
CARTER J. HARTUNG  
DAVID D. HEINEN

SAGE HENNEMANN  
MADELINE HOLMBERG  
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**Post Prom Help**

Seeking help to chair our post prom committee games section for the post prom party. All other chair positions have been filled, but we are looking for a chair for the games. This section already has people interested in helping and setting up game contracts, but we are looking for a chair/leader. Please contact Kirsten Becker for further information or if interested. [Kirsten@mehr-usa.com](mailto:Kirsten@mehr-usa.com) or text 3202934431. Thank you!



**Yearbooks**

Get one before they are gone! Order your 2018-2019 Holdingford High School yearbook. Yearbooks will cost \$55 beginning on February 3rd (\$50 if ordered before that date). All yearbook orders need to be placed by **February, 28th, 2019**. No extra copies will be ordered so be sure to place an order before the deadline. Yearbooks can be purchased in two ways: 1. Send a check with your child, made out to HHS Yearbook, and Mrs. Wolford can place the order. 2. go to [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com) and order the yearbook online.

## Burger Battle a Smashing Success

"What a great learning opportunity for the students." "Why wasn't this around when I was in school?" "How nice to support local businesses." These are comments from the Burger Battle hosted at Rudolph's RedneckRoost on January 16.

Small Business class students partnered with Rudolph's RedneckRoost on a business and social media marketing project. Students conducted social media polls, developed a burger, and got feedback from owners Renee and Aaron Rudolph. They did a photo shoot, taste test, and marketed their final product using various social media platforms and print ads. The excitement continued when Owner, James Taylor, of Ignition Logistics Group in Holdingford offered to promote the Burger Battle on a digital billboard in St. Joseph.

The restaurant was packed on Burger Battle night and the final winner was the Cheese Boulder developed by Carolynn Becker, Jamie Dubbin, Joy Rollenhagen, and Mackenzie Oberg.

Thanks to everyone for supporting this project!

Submitted by Shauna Seaman, HS Business Teacher



## Student of the Quarter

Holdingford Jr/Sr High School announced their "Students of the Quarter" for the first quarter of the 2018-2019 school year. Each instructional department selects a junior high (grades 7-9) and senior high (grades 10-12) student that exhibits excellent work and positive attitude during the quarter.

**First Quarter Junior High recipients are, from left to right:**

First Row: Lily Notsch, Science; Jadielyn Rudolph, Mathematics; Paige Fiedler, Industrial Technology; Izak Harlander, Business.

Second Row: Onyckah Ulik, World Language; Clare Kutzman, Social Studies; Christina Fiedler, Agriculture; Hailey Kubat, Art.

Third Row: Blake Welle, Family & Consumer Science; Connor Patrick, Physical Education; Dierks Opatz, Music.

Missing from picture: Abril Parks, Language Arts.

**First Quarter Senior High recipients are, from left to right:**

First Row: Jordyn Patrick, Social Studies; Lance Harren, Agriculture; Alex Lange, Music; Hunter Welle, Physical Education.

Second Row: Lexi Gerads, Art; Jacob Vouk, Industrial Technology; Megan Hartung, Family & Consumer Sciences; Alyssa Tix, Language Arts.

Third Row: Abigail Freeman, Business; Carter Buchta, Health; Brooke Fiedler, World Language; Rylee Friedrich, Science.

Missing from picture: Brooke Catton, Mathematics.



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## Academic Lettering School Year 2017-2018

The following current Holdingford High School Seniors lettered academically at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. In order to letter these Seniors needed to have a cumulative GPA of 3.4 or better at the end of their 11<sup>th</sup> grade year. Congratulations to the following students.



Row 1 – Samanta Kotaska, Pagie Soltis, Holly Keppers, Taylor Koopmeiners, Haley Swanson, Cassie Skwira, Travis Anderson.

Row 2 – Marissa Gerads, Samantha Young, Caitlyn Fussy, Rebecca VanHeel, Madison Platz, Abigail Freeman.

Row 3 – Dylan Grimsley, Jacob Wolter, Jenna Rausch, Lexi Gerads, Ava Ruprecht

Row 4 – Ben Grebinoski, Hunter Welle, Alex Lange, Stuart Hawn

Missing from picture: Bridget Catton, Brooke Catton, Kennedy Ehresmann, Meghan Hicks, Britany Pagen, Trevor Sowada, Tamara Weyer.

Academic Lettering for the school year 2017-2018 – The following current Holdingford High School Juniors lettered academically at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. In order to letter these Juniors needed to have a cumulative GPA of 3.6 or better at the end of their 10<sup>th</sup> grade year. Congratulations to the following students.



Row 1 – Jake Ethen, Jordyn Patrick, Ally Lampert, Amelia Kahlhammer

Row 2 – Kaitlyn Reber, Izabella Pueringer, Faith Skroch, Alyssa Tix

Row 3 – Kaitlin Kimmons, Kayla Meyer, Megan Hartung, Maya Pogatchnik

Missing from picture: Caleb Czek, Madeleine Fussy, Taylor Leenerts, Morgan Platz, Lauren Vouk, and Christian Willoughby.



Academic Lettering for the school year 2017-2018 – The following current Holdingford High School Sophomores lettered academically at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. In order to letter these Sophomores needed to have a cumulative GPA of 3.8 or better at the end of their 9<sup>th</sup> grade year. Congratulations to the following students.



Row 1- Danielle Lyon, Lydia Hoikka, Paige Paulzine, Carter Buchta, Rebecca Gerads, Adam Schloemer

Row 2 – Bridgette Lenzen, Theresa Meier, Kendra Gerads, Brooke Fiedler, Carissa Stark, Brandyn Scegura, Cade Clear

Missing from picture: Paige Gielen, Kendra Kuklok, Jenessa Rudolph, Carter Wuebkers, Kaylee Yamry.

# Community Education Youth Basketball Grades 3-6



6th Grade



6th Grade



5th Grade



5th Grade



Thank you to all the coaches and parent volunteers for all your dedication and time you put into the youth basketball programs.



4th Grade



4th Grade



3rd Grade



3rd Grade

# Holdingsford School Readiness 2019-20

**Registration opens Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 6pm**



## Little Husker 4's

Little Husker 4's is a School Readiness class designed to prepare children **4 years of age or older as of September 1, 2019** for kindergarten and beyond. Children come to school twice a week (All Day), participating in developmentally appropriate learning activities guided by a licensed Early Childhood Teacher. All classes are located at Holdingsford Elementary School, preparing children for the transition to kindergarten. Transportation is available on existing bus routes.

**Monday/ Wednesday– 8am– 3pm or**

**Tuesday/Thursday– 8am-3pm**

## Preschool 3's

The 3's Preschool is a School Readiness class designed to transition children **3 years of age or older as of September 1, 2019** into the school setting. Children come to school twice a week for 2.5 hours a day, participating in developmentally appropriate learning activities guided by a licensed Early Childhood Teacher. Transportation is available to school on existing bus routes.

**Tuesday/Thursday 8am-10:30am**

\* Classes may be changed based on enrolment numbers.

### Registration Process

- Starting at 6pm on Thursday, February 21st you can register online from your home or at the Community Ed. Office. The Community Ed. office is located inside door 3 and will be open from 6-7pm on February 21st.
  - Online at: <https://holdingford.revtrak.net/RW-Community-Education/>
- Students will be placed in classes in order of registration and according to their priority ranking. (see table below)
- When registering mark classes in order of preference, 1 being your first choice and 2 being second.
- The first month's payment is due with registration (see fee scale). No one will be denied participation due to inability to pay. Scholarships are available for those that qualify for free or reduced lunch. Call 320-746-4465 for scholarship information.
- Online/initial registration will close on March 20th. You will be notified of your child's class placement by Friday, April 5th.
- Phone and mail registrations will be accepted after April 8th, space permitting. Call 320-746-4465 or mail information to PO Box 250 Holdingsford MN 56340.

\*\*\**The school readiness handbook, requirements and more program information can be found on the school website at: <http://www.isd738.org/community-education.html>*

### Holdingsford School Readiness Registration Priority Ranking

1	Residents of Holdingsford School District.
2	Non-residents of Holdingsford District, but have a child in grades K-12 that is open enrolled, your child attended an Early Childhood program in Holdingsford or a parent is employed by the Holdingsford School District.
3	Non-residents of Holdingsford School District, do not currently have children open enrolled, and child has not attended an Early Childhood program in Holdingsford.

### School Readiness Program Requirements:

- Provide immunization record. Minnesota Statutes 121A.15
- Child must complete a health/developmental screening while in the program or prior to. Minnesota Statutes 124D.15 Subd. 15.
- Must meet age requirements for the class.
- Include payment with registration or inquire about scholarship information.

### School Readiness Fee Scale

Family Income (Gross Annual)	Preschool 3's (9 Payments)	Little Husker 4's (9 Payments)
Under \$20,000	\$46	\$67
\$20,000-\$40,000	\$68	\$99
\$40,000-\$60,000	\$105	\$153
\$60,000-\$80,000	\$118	\$172
\$80,000 and Up	\$132	\$192

Document revised: January 10, 2019

## Family Education Registration Information

### Program Sliding Fee Scale

Family Income (gross annual)	6 week ECFE (1 payment)	12 week ECFE (1 payment)
Under \$15,000	\$13	\$26
\$15,000-20,000	\$20	\$40
\$20,000-30,000	\$33	\$66
\$30,000-40,00	\$40	\$80
\$40,000-50,000	\$46	\$92
\$50,000-60,000	\$53	\$106
\$60,000-70,000	\$59	\$118
\$70,000-80,000	\$66	\$132
\$80,000-100,000	\$73	\$146
\$100,000 and up	\$79	\$158

## Early Childhood

### 2019 Spring Family Education Classes

#### *Fabulous 4's*

This class is perfect for those children who did not participate in School Readiness this year and will be entering Kindergarten in the Fall of 2019. Class will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6-8pm.

Requirement: 4 years old by September 1, 2018

Class Dates: April 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14

Class Limit of 12

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No one will be denied participation due to an inability to pay. Alternative arrangements can be made by talking with an Early Childhood Coordinator. If your income is below \$15,000, you might qualify for Head Start programming, which is not in Holdingford. Head Start contact information 320-253-8110.

## ECFE Registration Form

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardians \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Do you require sibling care \_\_\_\_\_

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## Summer Husker Kids' Zone

**For students that completed grades K-6 during the 2018-19 school year.**

Registration is now available for summer Husker Kids' Zone. Parent handbook and registration information can be found on the school website [www.isd738.org](http://www.isd738.org) under Community Education or by calling the Community Ed. office at 320-746-4465. If your child attends during the school year you must fill out a new registration for the summer. The summer program will begin on June 3rd. You must fill out registration and send in with \$10/ family registration fee. Spots are filled on a first come first serve basis.

# Community Education

## Youth Basketball for Boys Grades 1 & 2

Come and find out what basketball is all about while having fun with your friends. The sessions will consist of learning fundamental basketball skills, sportsmanship, practice and inter-squad games. Participants must wear appropriate clothing and athletic shoes. Price includes a t-shirt if registered by March 5.

**Dates:** March 12, 14, 19, 21

**Location:** Elementary Gym

**Time:** 5:30pm– 6:15pm

**Fee:** \$25.00

**Fee after March 5:** \$30

**Coach:** Ashley Hoffman and High School Players

## Youth Basketball for Girls Grades 1 & 2

Come and find out what basketball is all about while having fun with your friends. The sessions will consist of learning fundamental basketball skills, sportsmanship, practice and inter-squad games. Participants must wear appropriate clothing and athletic shoes. Price includes a t-shirt if registered by March 5.

**Dates:** March 12, 14, 19, 21

**Location:** Elementary Gym

**Time:** 6:30pm– 7:15pm

**Fee:** \$25.00

**Fee after March 5:** \$30

**Coach:** Ashley Hoffman and High School Players

## Swim Camp Grades 5-6

(And 7 or 8 graders who are NOT currently a member of the swim team)

This swim camp will focus on teaching the basics of the four competitive strokes, block starts, flip turns and open turns. Beginners and non-swimmers are welcome and encouraged. Each day we will focus on one stroke, with a final competitive meet utilizing everything we learned during the week. Students will need a one piece suit, goggles, swim cap, and a towel.

**Coach:** Jenn Clear

**Dates:** March 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

**Times:** 3:30-5:00

**Fee:** \$35

**Location:** HS Pool

**Minimum:** 10

**Maximum:** 18

**Fee After February 28:** \$40.00

## Babysitting & Staying Home Alone Clinic

This clinic is a preparation course for boys and girls ages 11 and older, undertaking the responsibility of childcare and/or preparing to stay home alone. The course will cover child development, basic first aid, how to handle various emergencies, managing a child's behaviour, games to entertain, and basics of new-borns and toddlers. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a sack lunch. Please drop off and pick up from door 1.

**Date:** Saturday, March 30, 2019

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

**Location:** High School Media Center (LMC)

**Fee:** \$25.00

**Fee after March 22:** \$30.00

**Minimum:** 20

**Maximum:** 30

**Instructors:** Rachel Schwartz and Anna Christensen

## Driver's Training Program- Today's Driving School

A complete Driver's Training Package consisting of 30 hours of classroom instruction and 6 hours of behind-the-wheel will be offered at HHS. After students obtain their permit, two hour behind-the-wheel sessions can be set up. Cost of the entire package is \$350. Students enrolling should be at least 14 years old. Attending students must pay \$250 by March 4 and the remaining \$100 by March 22. Students need to bring a pencil/pen and a notebook to the 30 hour class. Please printout the Minnesota Drivers Manual by going to the website [www.dps.state.mn.us/dvs](http://www.dps.state.mn.us/dvs). Once on the page go to drivers services on the left side of the page, then click on the manuals and print the complete manual. Otherwise manuals can be purchased at class for \$6. The state of Minnesota no longer prints the manuals.

*Please include student's birth date and full name (first, middle, last) when registering.*

**It is important that students attend every class because there will not be make up days. An instructor will come to Holdingford for the 2 hour behind the wheel sessions. Before classes begin your child will receive a contract, this must be filled out, signed and brought to the first class or a parent must attend the first class to fill it out.**

If you have questions, please contact the Community Ed. Office at 746-4465 or Today's Driving School at 844- 374-8315.

**Date:** March 11-22 (Monday-Friday)

**Time:** 6pm-9pm

**Location:** Room 12

**Fee:** \$350

**Fee after March 4:** \$355



## Youth Taekwondo: Ages 7 - 12

Kids that can control their bodies can control their minds. Evolution Tae Kwon Do challenges youth both physically and mentally to help them achieve their true potential in everyday life. Through training on memory, balance, and coordination in Tae Kwon Do students develop focus, self-confidence, and self-defense. Through setting goals and expectations based on each individual, Tae Kwon Do creates an environment where every participant can achieve success. It does not matter who finishes first, the focus is on each individual striving for similar goals with the support of peers and instructors.

Instructors: Evolution Tae Kwon Do– Dawn Opheim

**Session I:** Dates: Mondays, February 25, March 4, 11, 18

**Session II:** Dates: Mondays, April 1, 8, 15, 29

**Time:** 6:15pm-7pm

**Location:** HS Cafeteria

**Fee:** \$47 (4 classes)

## Pool and Pizza Party Grades K-6

Join your friends for some fun after school. First take a dip in the pool while enjoying open swim from 3:15pm-4:00pm. Then enjoy delicious pizza from Rudolph's RedneckRoost. You must provide your own swim suit, towel, and swim cap. Students are responsible for their own belongings. Students may bring a lifejacket or indicate when registering if one is needed. Students meet afterschool by the elementary cafeteria.

**Parents:** Please pick students up promptly at 4:30pm at High School Door #1.

**When:** Wednesday, February 27

**Time:** 3:00pm-4:30pm

**Location:** Pool and Student Lounge

**Fee:** \$15

**Deadline:** February 25

## Open Basketball

**Sundays, February 10, 17, 24, March 3**

The high school gym will be open for basketball on Sunday afternoons from 3-5pm. Tennis shoes are required in the gym. Students under 7<sup>th</sup> grade must be accompanied by an adult and must stay in the gym.

Some basketballs will be provided but you may bring your own. Enter door #1, sign in and pay. If you have a walking pass, you may walk during this time. No loitering allowed.

**Fee: \$2.00 per person or \$5 a family.**

\*The school is also open for adults to walk laps during this time and it is free of charge if you have a walking pass. You can obtain a walking pass from the Community Ed. office.

## Open Swim

The Holdingford High School Pool will be open on the following evenings this winter for open swim. Lifeguards will be on duty. Students in grade 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Enter door 1, sign in and pay in the pool area.

**Dates:** Thursdays, February 7 & 14

**Time:** 7-8pm

**Fee:** \$2/person or \$5/family

**Location:** High School Pool

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## Summer 2019 Tentative American Red Cross Holdingford Swimming Lesson Registration

**Note:** You may enroll 2 children in the same level in a private session together for a discounted rate. The discounted rate is \$55 for the first child and \$35 for the second. Swim lesson fees: District Residents \$55.00 Non-District Resident \$60.00.

[Click here for level information.](https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/swimming/swim-lessons/kids-swim-lessons) <https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/swimming/swim-lessons/kids-swim-lessons>

(each child will receive 4—35 minute lessons)

### SWIMMING LESSON REGISTRATION

Swim lesson registration is available for you to register **online from your HOME computer.**

\*\*Please call the Community Ed. Office at 320-746-4465 if you have questions on the registration process.

### IMPORTANT SWIM NOTES:

Registration will start online Tuesday, May 7th at 6pm; you can call the Community Ed. office to register starting 8am Wednesday, May 8th (746-4465). Please have credit card information ready.

- *Session dates and times will be available in the Summer Newsletter sent out in April.*



### PotSpot: Ceramic Bank

Choice of bank: Football 6.25", Kitty 5", Rainbow 4h"x6"w  
Save your coins in one of these banks that you paint the way you want! Please mark which bank you would like on the registration.

We bring the paint and supplies ....you bring the creativity!  
Remember the PotSpot will take the items and fire them in the kiln .

Please pick your child up from the student lounge or door 8.  
We will return them to school up to 2 weeks later.

**Date:** Wednesday, February 13  
**Time:** 3pm—4:15pm  
**Location :** Student Lounge  
**Fee:** \$20  
**Grade level:** K-12  
**Minimum** 6  
**Maximum** 20



### PotSpot: Enchanted Creatures

Choice of: Lotus fairy, Horse or Dragon  
These items are 4" to 5" tall. They would look cute in a planter or fairy garden or on your dresser ! Please mark which figure on registration.

We bring the paint and supplies ....you bring the creativity!  
Remember the PotSpot will take the items and fire them in the kiln.

Please pick your child up from the student lounge or door 8.  
We will return them to school up to 2 weeks later.

**Date:** Wednesday, March 13  
**Time:** 3pm-4:15pm  
**Location :** Student Lounge  
**Fee:** \$15  
**Grade level:** K-12  
**Minimum** 6  
**Maximum** 20



### GRASP

Holdingford Community Education has made arrangements to acquire the GRASP program for you this summer. GRASP is a correspondence program for grades K-8 which helps students maintain reading and math skills while they are on summer break.

Children receive a packet of materials with a booklet containing 9 lessons. It should take your child approximately one hour to complete each weekly lesson. They complete one lesson a week or work at their own pace, as long as they submit lessons before August 14th. They mail the lessons to GRASP where they are scored and returned to the children with comments.

We also have an online version of GRASP for students in grades 4-8. These students will receive feedback immediately.

Children successfully completing at least 7 lessons with 70% accuracy are awarded a certificate. Those successfully completing all 9 lessons with 70% accuracy receive a medal.

Each child should be placed at the grade just completed in school. If there are extenuating circumstances, order the level that is appropriate for your child. The fees for the summer of 2019 are \$30 for one subject or \$50 for both. You can enrol your child by completing the Com Ed. Registration form. Indicate subjects and grade when registering.

**GRASP Deadline: April 22nd**

### Spring Youth Soccer

Look for registration information on Community Ed. youth soccer in the upcoming youth flyers!





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# Summer Recreation

## Varsity Baseball– Junior Victory League (Completing Grades 6-7)

Varsity baseball will be offered in Holdingford for students completing grades 6 & 7. This team will be a part of the Junior Victory League playing against other schools such as Upsala, Royalton, Pierz & Little Falls. Games are played on Wednesday evenings and they are double headers beginning at 5:45pm in the month of June & July. Practice will be on Tuesday evenings. Notes and emails will be sent home regarding the first practice date. Make sure all contact information is filled out including cell phone and email address. Teams are coached by volunteer parents.

### **Registration deadline April 8.**

You must register by the deadline in order for your child to be on the roster. Depending on the number of participants, players may be split into two teams.

**Fee until April 8: \$20**

**Fee after April 8: \$40**

## Rookie Ball

### (Boys and Girls Completing Grades 1-3)

Rookie ball is a coach pitch league for youth that are learning how to play the games of softball and baseball. Rookie ball is offered in Holdingford, St. Wendel and Opole. There will be a couple scrimmages scheduled with local teams. Teams are coached by volunteer parents. Below are Rookie Ball practice dates and times:

Holdingford: Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm starting June 12th  
@ City Park

Opole: Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm starting June 12th

St. Wendel: Mondays 6:30pm-7:30pm starting June 10th

All-No practice week of July 4th

Ends the week of July 24th

**Fee: \$20**

**Registration Deadline May 3rd**

**Fee After May 3: \$30**

### Coaches Meetings:

#### JO Softball

Wednesday, April 24th 6pm

#### Varsity & JV Baseball:

Wednesday, April 24th 6:45pm

- Parents are responsible for the transportation of their children to and from practices and games.
- Holdingford Community Education has the right to remove a child from the program that is being disruptive.

## Junior Varsity Baseball (Completing Grades 3-5)

Junior Varsity baseball will be offered at Holdingford, St. Wendel, Opole & St. Anna. Please mark your location on the registration form. Junior Varsity baseball games are played on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the months of June and July. Most locations practice on Monday evenings. When practices start will depend on weather. The coaches will contact you with the first practice date when it gets closer. Make sure all contact information is filled out including cell phone and email address. Teams are coached by volunteer parents.

### **Registration deadline April 6.**

You must register by the deadline in order for us to make teams and schedules. If enough players do not register, there will not be a league.

**Fee until April 8: \$20**

**Fee after April 8: \$40**

## Junior Olympic Softball (10U, 12U, 14U, 16U, 18U)

Holdingford will be offering Junior Olympic Fast pitch Softball this summer. JO Leagues are meant to be fun and competitive playing against other Central Minnesota Schools. Sign up for the age that you are as of January 1, 2019. Age groups may be combined based off of registration numbers.

Games for 12U– 18U teams are double headers starting at 6pm on Tuesday evenings. 10U games are played on Thursday evenings at 6pm. Practices will vary for each team depending on coach and field availability.

Practices will start in May and players will be notified when the first practice is set. League games will be scheduled in the months of June & July. If a team chooses to participate in a tournament, there may be additional fees. If a player does not have a uniform

We are in need of coaches for all levels. Contact Kendra at [kendra.posch@isd738.org](mailto:kendra.posch@isd738.org) or 320-746-4465 if you are interested or know of someone that might be.

### **Deadline to Register is April 8**

**Fees:**

**10U: \$40**

**12U-16U: \$45**

**18U:\$50**

**Additional \$10 if registered after the deadline.**

## T-Ball (Boys and Girls Ages 4-6)

T-Ball is an introduction to the games of baseball and softball. It is offered in Holdingford, Opole and St. Wendel. T-ball is coached by parent volunteers. A couple scrimmages will be scheduled with nearby towns. Below are T-Ball practice dates and times:

Holdingford: Mondays 6:30-7:30pm starting June 10th @ City Park

Opole: Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm starting June 12th

St. Wendel: Mondays 6:30pm-7:30pm starting June 10th

All-No practice week of July 4th,

Ends the week of July 24th

**Fee: \$20**

**Registration Deadline May 3rd**

**Fee After May 3: \$30**

## Spring Lawn Prep

Let's get things greened up and growing! Lawn care can be expensive and puzzling. Learn some simple tips and techniques that can help you get the best performance out of your yard while saving some cash and preventing pollution. We will cover a wide variety of topics and answer your questions about watering, fertilizing, weed identification and so much more to make your lawn the best it can be. Participants will receive an informational folder full of great publications, and several door prizes will be given away from local plant specialists.

**Instructor:** Adam Hjelm, SRWD Education Coordinator

**Date:** Wednesday, March 20

**Time:** 6:30pm

**Location:** Rm C-05

**Fee:** \$10

**Deadline:** March 18

**Minimum:** 10

## After Disaster or Trauma: The Social-Emotional Support Children Need

Discover how to provide the social-emotional support that young children need following a disaster or traumatic experience. Learn how young children react to a disaster and what children need when trauma happens. Recognize the link between social-emotional competence and resilience. Learn three focus areas for providing support to children who have experienced trauma or disaster, and strategies for teaching five core skills that build resilience and reinforce coping skills for a lifetime.

**DATE:** April 25, 2019

**TIME:** 6:30pm – 8:30pm

**LOCATION:** Holdingford High School Rm C-05

**Event Fee:** \$10.00

**KNOWLEDGE AND COMPETENCY FRAMEWORK AREA(S)**

II.C: Promoting Social and Emotional Development (2 Hours)

**CDA CONTENT AREA(S)**

Content Area III: Positive ways to support children's social and emotional development (2 Hours)

**\*\*Please register by midnight on April 19<sup>th</sup> by going to [www.developtoolmn.org](http://www.developtoolmn.org)**

## Rustic Large 6ft Sign— At Rudolph's Redneck Roost

Here is how it works and what you get!

You receive one wooden pine board approx. size: 6 ft x 9.25 in and all paint materials and supplies etc.

We show you how to paint in a rustic style and prepare them for you stencil.

(This is fun and can be a bit messy so please don't wear anything that would make you sad if paint go on it!)

**Here is the list of words we offer:**

HUSKERS

Growth Chart Ruler

Welcome (option of Minnesota shape instead of the "o")

Believe

Home Sweet Home (with paw print or Minnesota shape option)

**Date:** Friday, March 1st

**Time:** 6:30pm-8:30pm

**Location:** Rudolph's Redneck Roost (Back 40 Bar)

**Fee:** \$44

**Deadline:** February 25

**Minimum:** 10

## Rain Gardens

Do you want a rain garden that looks beautiful year round, requires little maintenance and will look great year after year? Learn about the latest trend in landscaping including sizing, location, installation and plant selection for your rain garden and rain water harvesting. With the wide variety of plants and materials available you can create a rain garden with a natural wild look or an organized planting suitable for the most refined settings. Participants will receive an informational folder full of great publications, and several door prizes will be given away from local plant specialists.

**Instructor:** Adam Hjelm, SRWD Education Coordinator

**Date:** Monday, April 29

**Time:** 6:30pm

**Location:** Rm C-05

**Fee:** \$10

**Deadline:** April 26

**Minimum:** 10



## Morning Lap Swim

The pool will be open for lap swim on Tuesday and Thursday mornings this winter. You must register for the whole session.

**Dates:** Tuesday & Thursday

February 5– May 2 (26 classes)

**Time:** 6am-7am

**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** February 4

**Minimum:** 5

\*Listen to local radio stations for weather related closings. If school is closed– No Lap Swim.



## Water Aerobics/Lap Swim

Water Aerobics offers a fun, “No Sweat”, effective exercise with musical accompaniment. It’s a nice way to trim, tone, and stay limber! Water Aerobics minimizes strain on your body because the water cushions your muscles as you work out. The class is held in the shallow end of the pool, so no swimming ability is necessary.

**Instructors:** Nancy Mager and Cynthia Meyer

**Dates:** Wednesdays, March 13– May 15 (10)

**Time:** 7:00pm-8:00pm

**Location:** HS Pool

**Fee:** \$25.00 or \$3.00 per night at the door  
(Senior citizen rate is half price)

## CPR/First Aid

In this course you will practice the first aid/CPR skills needed to obtain a Heartsaver certification card through the American Heart Association. This includes basic first aid, one person CPR for infant, child, and adult with AED *along with a feedback devise that is required in 2019*. This certification is good for daycare providers, center programs, foster parents along with healthcare professionals. The certification is for two years.

**Date:** Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 5:00 pm—9:30 pm

**Fee:** \$56.00

**Location:** HS LMC

**Registration Deadline:** March 22

**Maximum Participants:** 8

**Minimum:** 5

**Instructor:** Karla Scapanski



## Helping Hands

The following programs are offered through Helping Hands Outreach of Holdingford. Contact Helping Hands Outreach at 746-9960 for details.

**Exercise and Line Dancing Class:** Wednesdays from 9:15 – 10:45 a.m. at the Holdingford City Center, and at St. Stephen Church Hall from 1:00-2:30 pm

**Lunch & Learn Program:** Second Thursday of the month at Holdingford Legion Club, 11:15 – 2:15, and St. Stephen Church Hall the third Tuesday of each month 11:15 - 2:15. socializing, entertainment, health education and meal, free will offering.

**Senior Dining Program:** every Tuesday, Holdingford City Center, noon, lunch followed by card playing. St. Stephen's is Monday noon lunch at The Rusty Nail, cards to follow.

**Free Grocery Delivery:** working through the Coborn's Delivers program you can order groceries through Helping Hands and they will be delivered free to our office for you to pick-up. **Adult Day Center:** a safe day-time program for senior adults who need a place during the day. Contact us for details on registration and fees.

**Community Center:** meeting/party space with commercial kitchen available for rent, located at 531 Main Street Holdingford

**Equipment Lending** We have a variety of Medical equipment available to loan out, Please call us to check if we have a certain item. Donations for use of the equipment accepted.

## Something Special on Sundays

Three programs focused on preserving our local heritage, attend one or all!

### Polish and German Dance (Polka Party)

Sunday, February 24, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Holdingford Legion Club

Enjoy an afternoon of Polish and German folk music and history by Nathan Neuman. Share your personal stories and memories and bring a musical instrument to join in the play-along. Dancing is encouraged! Free admission.

### Baking Placek (Polish Coffee Cake)

Sunday, March 24, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., Holdingford Community and Adult Day Center

Registration: \$5 (includes a free coffee cake) call 746-2966 to register (12 person limit). Learn the secrets to making traditional Polish Placek from local baker Linda Breth. You will also make your own Placek to take home. Bring a favorite ethnic recipe to share with others.

### Drawing Landscapes and Farms

Sunday, April 28, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., Holdingford Community and Adult Day Center

Registration: \$5 (includes all art materials) call 746-2966 to register (12 person limit). Enjoy a beginner art class for everyone by professional art instructor Jackie Higgins. This program will provide an enjoyable drawing experience that will enable you to begin creating your own landscapes. Bring a favorite family photo of your home/farmstead to share.

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**Holdingsford American Legion**  
**Post 211**  
 Open Wednesday thru Saturday  
 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.  
 Sundays 1:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.  
**Bar Bingo Thursdays,**  
**September to April 7:30 p.m.**



**HOLDINGFORD AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
 Accepting Donations and Area Historical Articles

**Museum Hours by Appointment**



Mike Odden 746-2991  
 Herman Ebnet 746-2506  
 Ernie Schmit 746-2603  
 Web info - [HoldingsfordAreaHistoricalSociety](http://HoldingsfordAreaHistoricalSociety)

**Community Education Registration Information**

Contact the Community Ed. Office at 320-746-4465 with any questions or email [Kendra.posch@isd738.org](mailto:Kendra.posch@isd738.org).

- No news is good news! You will only be contacted by email or phone if your class is cancelled or changed.
- Registration forms may be mailed to: Holdingsford Community Education, PO Box 250, Holdingsford, MN 56340. They may also be dropped in person at the Community Education Office (High School Door #3) or brought to the elementary office. Please enclose the form and payment in an **envelope marked Community Ed.** when delivering it to the elementary office. You may also register online at [www.isd738.org](http://www.isd738.org).
- Registrations will **NOT** be considered completed until the registration form and correct payment have been received. We will take registrations over the phone if you have a debit/credit card.
- Print all information (**especially phone numbers**) legibly. It is important to have these numbers if we need to reach you.

**Refund Policy**

We will issue a full refund if you notify the Community Education Office with cancellations at **least 24 hours prior to the deadline**. Late cancellations result in extra expenses for Com. Ed. and the instructors. Classes or programs having multiple meeting dates will receive prorated refunds.

**Holdingsford Community Education Registration**

Name	Grade	Age	Community Ed. Class	Cost

**Make checks payable to Holdingsford Public Schools.      TOTAL      \_\_\_\_\_**

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Res. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Special Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact (other than parent):** This information is very important for us to have. In case of an injury or illness, we need a contact if we are unable to get in touch with parents.

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's Training Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ 1st and 2nd Basketball T-Shirt Size: **YXS YS YM YL YX AS**

Summer Recreation Location:  **Holdingsford**  **Opole**  **St. Wendel**  **St. Anna (JV baseball only)**

JO Softball Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to Coach: Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Team:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_



## Just For Kix Winter Dance Show



Holdingford Public Schools  
 PO Box 250  
 Holdingford, MN 56340

**Or Current Resident**

Bulk Rate  
 US Postage Paid  
 Non-Profit Org  
 Permit No. 18  
 Holdingford, MN

**Please Note**

If you have any of these changes, please notify Jessica Rausch in the high school office (320-746-4304) or Christy Gustafson in the elementary office (320-746-4462).

- Changes in marital status.
- Change of address.
- Death of someone that receives school mail.

This will help us keep records up to date and mailings current. In the case of separation or divorce, both parents will receive information if we have the addresses.



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## Early Childhood Screening

Early Childhood Screening is a free and simple check of how your child is growing, developing and learning.

Screening at 3 is preferred, but a child may be screened between the ages of 3 and the start of kindergarten as required by law.

**What to expect at a screening appointment:**

A trained professional will check:

- Vision and hearing
- Height and weight
- Immunizations (shots)
- Large and small muscles
- Thinking, language and communication skills
- Social and emotional development

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**Drawing landscapes and farms:** Sunday April 28, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., Holdingford Community and Adult Day Center (pre-registration required)



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**Newsletter Deadlines**

**April 10, 2019**

**Send to:**

***Kendra.posch@isd738.org***