

# HOLDINGFORD DISTRICT & COMMUNITY EDUCATION NEWSLETTER



WINTER 2022-23

# DISTRICT NEWS



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**Meet our new teachers in the district!** The new teachers had an orientation on August 26 where they learned about district resources, expectations, school programs including the Skyward system, and district expectations. The new teachers also met their mentors, took part in relationship-building activities, and enjoyed a tour of Holdingford. The group is looking forward to a great year!



Teachers from left to right:  
Carrie Jendro (Jr./Sr. High School Language Arts), Michelle Schumer (Jr./Sr. High School Special Education), Kyle Klepel (Jr./Sr. High School Band), Rachel Gruendemann (Jr./Sr. High School Choir), Lisa Falk (Elementary Title I), Shelby Rosenberger (Second Grade), Nathan Anderson (Jr./Sr. High School Science), Alyssa Kerfeld (Sixth Grade), Jena Nitz (Jr./Sr. High School Science), Taylor Peck (Jr./Sr. High School Industrial Technology & Agriculture)

## Greetings from Holdingford Public School!

It has been a very busy start to the school year and things are off to a great start. I have really enjoyed the energy we have seen in the building. The students and staff have been amazing and such a pleasure to work with on a daily basis.

Our fall activities are as busy as ever. The volleyball, football, swimming/diving, and cross country teams have been hard at work and are gearing up for postseason play. Good luck to all! The fall play cast/crew are putting the final touches on their production of "Nifty-Fifties Malt Shop Murder". I am looking forward to this and encourage you all to take in one of the performances. The curtain will go up on Friday, October 28 at 7:00 PM, twice on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM, and Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM.

Holdingford School is looking for a few parent volunteers to attend the World's Best Workforce Committee meeting. The meeting will be held at a yet to be determined date in November. The meeting will review the goals from the last year and shouldn't be a terribly long meeting. If you are interested in being a possible member, please contact Linda Zapzalka (746-4307) at the school.

We are midway through the 1st quarter and while things are going great, we are being stretched to great lengths due to the shortage of subs across the board. By far our biggest area of concern is with teacher and para subs. Please contact Linda at the number listed above.

As we near the end of fall, I hate to remind you that winter is just around the corner. Minnesota weather is sometimes difficult to predict; it is essential that parents/guardians anticipate and prepare for school closings, delayed openings, and early dismissals. The area public school districts follow a coordinated plan to better ensure the safety of our children. The National Weather Service and other forecasting agencies issue various winter weather statements, watches, and warnings. We use these statements to determine if weather conditions may cause a late start, full day cancellation or an early dismissal from school. As always the safety of our students and staff is our prime concern. If cancellations/dismissals are needed, please pay attention to our SkyAlert announcements, local TV and Radio, and Facebook for the latest news.

*Submitted by Chris Swenson, Superintendent*

### ADMINISTRATION:

Chris Swenson | Superintendent  
Jim Stang | Elementary Principal  
Tim Wege | High School Principal

### SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Ed Feia                      Rob Knettel  
Elissa Ebnet              Evelyn Martini  
Lori Opatz                 Pat Meier  
Sarah Binek

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**\*\* The school board approved a change to the school calendar at the October 19th meeting. The last day of school before winter break will now be December 22nd. The first day back from winter break will now be January 3rd. This change is for Kindergarten-12th grade.**

## Holdingsford School District #738 School Calendar for 2022-2023

### AUGUST

15	16	17	18	19	
22	23	24	25	26	Flexible Workshop 8/26, 9/2, 6/2
29	30	31			Inservice/Workshop 29, 30,31

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### SEPTEMBER

			1	2	Inservice/Workshop 1
					9/5 No School Labor Day
5	6	7	8	9	9/6 1st day of school
12	13	14	15	16	
19	20	21	22	23	
26	27	28	29	30	

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### OCTOBER

3	4	5	6	7	10/17 & 10/18 1:15 Early Release
10	11	12	13	14	Conferences from 2:00-8:00
17	18	19	20	21	10/21-10/22 No School MEA
24	25	26	27	28	
31					

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### NOVEMBER

	1	2	3	4	11/4 End of Quarter 1
7	8	9	10	11	11/7 Workshop- No School
14	15	16	17	18	11/23 No School - Teacher Comp
21	22	23	24	25	11/24-25 No School-Fall Break
28	29	30			

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### DECEMBER

			1	2	
5	6	7	8	9	
12	13	14	15	16	
19	20	21	22	23	12/23-1/2 No School-
26	27	28	29	30	Winter Break

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### JANUARY

2	3	4	5	6	
9	10	11	12	13	
16	17	18	19	20	1/19 End of Quarter 2
23	24	25	26	27	1/20 Workshop - No School
30	31				1/16 Inservice-No School

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### FEBRUARY

		1	2	3	2/9 1:15 Early Release
6	7	8	9	10	2/9 Conferences 2:00-8:00
13	14	15	16	17	2/13 Inservice 8:00-1:30 No School
20	21	22	23	24	2/13 Conferences from 2:00-8:00
27	28				2/20 No School President's Day

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### MARCH

		1	2	3	
6	7	8	9	10	
13	14	15	16	17	
20	21	22	23	24	3/24 End of Quarter 3
27	28	29	30	31	3/27 Workshop - No School

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### APRIL

3	4	5	6	7	4/6 No School- Teacher Comp
10	11	12	13	14	4/7-4/10 No School Spring Break
17	18	19	20	21	
24	25	26	27	28	

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### MAY

1	2	3	4	5	
8	9	10	11	12	
15	16	17	18	19	
22	23	24	25	26	Memorial Day/No School
29	30	31			5/31 Last Day of School

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### JUNE

					6/2 Graduation 7:00 pm
			1	2	6/1 Workshop
5	6	7	8	9	6/2 Flexible Workshop

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\*Prior to Feb. 17, Make-up day will be Feb. 20, 2023

\*If no more Make-up days are needed, the last day of school is May 31, 2023.

\*If another Make-up day is needed, the last day of school is June 1, 2023.

## Upcoming Early Childhood Parent Involvement Nights

- Holiday Event : Saturday, December 3, 2022
- Library Night : Thursday, January 12, 2023

More Information will be shared as the events get closer!

**WE'RE  
HIRING!**

## Job Opportunities at Holdingford Public Schools:

- Teacher Full Time Substitute
- Secondary Paraprofessional
- Evening Custodian
- Bus Driver
- Kid Zone Assistant (18+)
- Flexible Subs needed for Custodial, Paraprofessional, & Teachers

Congratulations to the 2022 Leadership in Educational Excellence Award winners for Holdingford Schools. These individuals will be recognized at a banquet on November 2nd in St. Cloud!

**Katie Auer  
Joe Rosenberger  
Chad Haugen  
Ashley Koester**

These teachers have been nominated by their colleagues for being an outstanding educator. Thanks for representing Holdingford and being a part of our great teaching staff!

The following individuals were nominated by their colleagues to represent Holdingford at the Educational Support Staff Banquet on November 16. The Educational Support Staff Recognition Event is an opportunity to recognize and honor those School Support personnel who go above and beyond their required duties. This event is intended to be a purposeful selection of School Support personnel who provide outstanding service within your school system.

**Sue Wentland  
Melissa Hartung  
Jena Nelson  
Mary Wallenstein**

Congratulations to the nominees, thanks for everything you do for Holdingford!

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September to April, 7pm



# November 2022

Holdingsford High School

Lunch

## MONDAY

## TUESDAY

## WEDNESDAY

## THURSDAY

## FRIDAY

**31**

- Entree 1
- Crispy Mini Corn Dogs
- Entree 2
- Beef Fiestada Pizza
- Tiny Whole Potatoes
- Fresh Vegetables
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Fruit Choices

**1**

- Entree 1
- Golden Chicken Tenders
- Entree 2
- Max Sticks with Marinara Sauce
- Deluxe Baked Beans
- Fresh Vegetables
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**2**

- Entree 1
- Taco in a Bag
- Entree 2
- GF Chicken Fajitas
- Whole Kernel Corn
- Taco Fixings
- Fruit Choices

**3**

- Entree 1
- Sweet Chili Thai Chicken
- Brown Rice
- Entree 2
- Pepperoni Pizza Slice
- Steamed Seasoned Green Beans
- Fresh Vegetables
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Fruit Choices

**4**

- Entree 1
- Cheese Pizza Crunchers
- Entree 2
- Crunchy Corn Dog
- Tiny Whole Potatoes
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**7**



**8**

- Entree 1-K
- BBQ Pork Mr. Rib on a Bun
- Entree 2
- Hamburger on a Bun
- Baked Beans
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**9**

- Entree 1-K
- Tator Bowl
- Chicken Nuggets
- Entree 2
- Country Breaded Pork Chop Patty
- Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
- Whole Kernel Corn
- Shredded Cheese
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Fruit Choices

**10**

- Entree 1-K
- Deli Ham and Cheese on a Hoagie Bun
- Entree 2
- Flame Grilled Chicken Burger
- Fresh School-Baked Bun
- Tiny Whole Potatoes
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**11**

- Entree 1-K
- Cheesy Macaroni and Cheese
- Entree 2
- Cheese Quesadilla
- Deluxe Baked Beans
- Fresh Vegetables
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Fruit Choices

**14**

- Entree 1
- Turkey Deli
- Entree 2
- Homemade Sloppy Joe on a Bun
- Whole Kernel Corn
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**15**

- Entree 1
- All Beef Hot Dog on a Bun
- Entree 2
- Homestyle Tator Tot Hot Dish
- Steamed Seasoned Green Beans
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**16**

- Entree 1
- Hamburger Gravy
- Entree 2
- Oven Roasted Turkey in Gravy
- Mashed Potatoes
- Creamy Coleslaw
- Cranberry Sauce
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Stuffing
- Fruit Choices

**17**

- Entree 1
- Ham & Turkey Sub
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Crackers
- Sandwich Fixings
- Cucumber Slices
- Fruit Choices

**18**

- Entree 1
- Mandarin Orange Chicken
- Brown Rice
- Entree 2
- Cheese Pizza Slice
- Tiny Whole Potatoes
- Homemade Bread Slice
- Baby Carrots
- Fruit Choices

**21**

- Entree 1
- Italian Dunkers with Meat Sauce
- Cheese Slice-HS
- Entree 2
- Roast Beef Pepperjack Wrap
- Steamed Green Peas
- Homemade Bread Slice (JH/HS)
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**22**

- Entree 1
- Scalloped Potatoes w/Ham
- Entree 2
- Chicken Drumstick
- Garlic Breadstick
- Glazed Carrot Coins
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**23**



**24**



**25**



**28**

- Entree 1
- Chicken Alfredo Bake
- Garlic Breadstick
- Entree 2
- Cheese Bites
- Glazed Carrot Coins
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**29**

- Entree 1
- Pancakes
- Pork Sausage Patty
- Entree 2
- Yogurt Cup
- String Cheese
- Tri Tator Hashbrown
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**30**

- Entree 1
- Pork Gravy
- Entree 2
- Salisbury Steak
- Mashed Potatoes
- Broccoli-Cauliflower Salad
- Homemade Bread Slice
- Fruit Choices
- animal crackers-HS

**1**

- Entree 1
- Baked Ham and Cheese on a Pretzel Bun
- Entree 2
- Flame Grilled Chicken Burger
- Fresh School-Baked Bun
- Baked Beans
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

**2**

- Entree 1
- Cheesy Pizza Pull Apart
- Entree 2
- Golden Chicken Tenders
- Tiny Whole Potatoes
- Fresh Vegetables
- Fruit Choices

Milk Choices: Chocolate Skim Milk, Skim Milk, 1% Milk

Menu subject to change without notice.

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# HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

## TRICK OR TREAT

Holdingsford Area Businesses will be handing out treats to Trick or Treaters who are in costume on Monday, October 31, 2022 from 3:30 PM—5:30 PM. Participating businesses will be marked with a Trick or Treat flag.

Participating businesses include:

**American Legions**

**Everything Signs**

**Heart & Sol Wellness**

**Holdingsford Gas & Grocery**

**Holdingsford Mill**

**Hyatt House**

**Jodi Photography**

**My Salon**

**Two Rivers Enterprise**

**Stearns Bank**

**A Healthy Glo**

**Holdingsford Hardware**

**Holdingsford Fire & Rescue**

**Doug Legatt– We haul for You**

**Holdingsford Municipal Liquor Store**

**Jim’s Snowmobile**

**Magnifi Financial**

**Rudolph’s Redneck Roost**

**Scectura insurance**



This Event is made possible by  
The Holdingsford Area Chamber of Commerce.

Thank you for supporting the local businesses that support your community!

## Holdingsford Lioness Club Sets “Gifts for Joy” Project

The Holdingsford Lioness Club is once again sponsoring its “Gifts for Joy” project. This is a free service offered to area families in need that enables them to provide Christmas gifts for their children who are 18 years old or younger. Families will be given individualized merchandise gift certificates from local business owners to use to purchase Christmas gifts for their children.

Any family that will need help in providing their children Christmas gifts, is asked to contact the Holdingsford Lioness Club **Before November 18, 2022**

by sending a letter to:

“Gifts for Joy”  
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Holdingsford, MN 56340

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# Technology Department News

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## TECHNOLOGY Q&A

### How Can I Help My Kids Develop Good Screen Time Habits?

**Set limits.** Establish screen-free zones and weekly screen-time amounts. Aim for a balance of activities throughout the week.

**Choose age-appropriate, high-quality content.** Not everything has to be educational, but when choosing entertainment for young kids, think about how it engages your child.

**Watch and play together when you can.** Make an effort to understand -- and even appreciate -- what your kids are doing.

**Treat tech as a tool, not a treat.** Show them how you can use devices for other tasks, such as sending emails, getting directions, and looking up information.

**Be a family of media critics.** Help your kids think critically about what they watch, play, and interact with by talking about it.

**Be a role model.** Take an inventory of your tech time and be aware of the example you are setting.



Securly Home allows parents/guardians to control certain access to their student's Chromebook while using a network away from school such as pausing internet access. It also provides a **weekly report** of your student's online activity via their school Google account/chromebook.

For more information and/or to participate, please visit the district website [www.isd738.org](http://www.isd738.org) - click "About" ⇨ "Technology" ⇨ "For Families" ⇨ Securly Home Information OR Securly Home Opt-in Form

To learn more about Securly's online safety solutions, please visit [www.securly.com/home-parent](http://www.securly.com/home-parent).

Securly Home accounts do transfer from year to year, no need to resubmit an opt-in form if you are currently receiving reports.

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**Technology Department (320) 746-4480 or [Skywardhelp@isd738.org](mailto:Skywardhelp@isd738.org)**



Chromebooks are a tool used daily at school and home to access the internet and the **Google Suite** of applications.

Google Classroom is used to streamline assignments, boost collaboration, and foster communication among students and their teachers.

Google Docs, Sheets & Slides are similar to Microsoft Word, Excel & Powerpoint or Apple's Pages, Numbers & Keynote. Students have access to their Docs, Sheets & Slides on their chromebook whether they have internet access or not.



### Did you know?

Your Skyward Family Access account is accessible via the Skyward app OR online.

You can view your student's grades, attendance, lunch account balance, and more.

Skyward is the district's first line of communication. Updated information is imperative for receiving school related news and updates.

# HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

First, a big thank you to students and parents for your help in getting this school year off to a solid start. I have really enjoyed getting to know the students as they participate in their classes and activities at Holdingford High School. Homecoming week was Sept 26th - Sept 30th and I was impressed with the high number of students participating in dress up days, class and homeroom competitions, and the dance. School should be a place where students work hard and play hard, and homecoming week showed how Huskers do that. I want to thank the Student Council and their advisors for all the work they did to make it a memorable experience for the students.

Holdingford High School continues to offer resources for students who need support. Targeted Services is offered for 7th and 8th graders after school on Mondays and Wednesdays to provide extra help with skills, organization, and homework support. PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies) is used to help reinforce a culture of belonging and reward students for showing the Husker Strong characteristics. SEL focuses on good decision making, anti-bullying, and improving yourself. We hope these programs, along with other opportunities, help Holdingford students grow educationally and socially. On Thursday November 10th we will welcome Reggie Dabbs for an assembly helping students with a message of resilience and focusing on their future. He is one of the most sought after school speakers in America and we hope the students will enjoy his humor, music, and message.

As we move through the fall season, I encourage parents to keep supporting your child to do well in school.. There will be struggles, but those are opportunities to grow and learn to take on the challenges ahead of them. Thanks for all you do to help make our school a better place.

*Submitted by Tim Wege, High School Principal*

## YEARBOOK INFORMATION:

\*Senior pictures and baby pictures need to be submitted to Ms. Wolford by December, 1st 2022. All pictures need to be submitted digitally, through email. Please send pictures to: [tara.wolford@isd738.org](mailto:tara.wolford@isd738.org). Should you have a delay in your pictures, please email her as soon as possible.

\*Order your senior's yearbook right away! Yearbooks will be cheapest during the fall and will increase in cost as the year goes on. Yearbooks can be purchased by going to [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com). Yearbooks can no longer be purchased at the high school.

\*All yearbook orders need to be placed by February, 28th, 2023. No extra copies will be ordered so be sure to place an order before the deadline.

\*Yearbook recognition ads are a great way for parents, families, and friends to commemorate student achievement and important milestones. If you are interested in creating an ad for your senior, please do so by December, 31st 2022. More information will be available in the fall.



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2022

### Holdingsford Husker Homecoming Court 2022



back: Justin Anderson, Cyril Feia, Blake Welle, Ryder Petersen  
middle: Laina Hoac, Trista Popp, Ellie Sand, Brooklyn Bruns  
front: Abby Streit, Connor Patrick

# Varsity Winter Sports Schedules:

**GO HUSKERS!**

## WRESTLING SCHEDULE:

SAT 12/3 9AM @CHISAGO LAKES  
 TUES 12/6 5PM @HHS  
 FRI 12/9 5PM @HLWW  
 FRI 12/16 TBD @REDWOOD VALLEY  
 SAT 12/17 TBD @REDWOOD VALLEY  
 TUES 12/20 5PM @HHS  
 THUR 12/29 TBD @ROGERS  
 THUR 1/5 5PM @ALBANY  
 SAT 1/7 TBD @WABASSO  
 MON 1/9 TBD @TBA  
 TUES 1/10 5PM @KIMBALL  
 FRI 1/13 2PM @SANDFORD CENTER  
 TUES 1/17 6PM @HHS  
 THUR 1/19 TBD @VERNDALE  
 SAT 1/21 TBD @MORA  
 TUES 1/24 5PM @ACGC  
 FRI 1/27 5PM @HHS  
 SAT 1/28 TBD @MILACA  
 SAT 2/4 TBD @CHAMPLIN PARK  
 SAT 2/4 TBD @STAPLES MOTLEY  
 FRI 2/10 5PM @HHS  
 SAT 2/18 TBD @ROYALTON  
 FRI 2/24 TBD @LPGE  
 THUR 3/2 TBD @XCEL CENTER  
 FRI 3/3 TBD @XCEL CENTER  
 SAT 3/4 TBD @XCEL CENTER

## Varsity DANCE SCHEDULE:

TUES 11/29 TBD @PACT CHARTER  
 SAT 12/3 10AM @ROCORI  
 SAT 12/17 11AM @MELROSE  
 SAT 1/7 TBD @ALEXANDIRA  
 SAT 1/14 11AM @CATHEDRAL  
 THURS 1/26 7PM @BOLD  
 SAT 1/28 10AM @NEW LONDON-SPICER  
 SAT 2/11 11AM @MELROSE

## Varsity Girls BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:

TUES 12/6 7PM @PAYNESVILLE  
 FRI 12/9 7PM @HHS  
 THUR 12/15 7PM @HHS  
 TUES 1/3 7PM @HHS  
 FRI 1/6 7PM @KIMBALL  
 THUR 1/12 7PM @EVW  
 TUES 1/17 7PM @MAPLE LAKE  
 FRI 1/20 7PM @HHS  
 THUR 1/31 7PM @ACGC  
 FRI 2/3 7PM @ROYALTON  
 THUR 2/9 7PM @HHS  
 TUES 2/14 7PM @EVW  
 FRI 2/17 7PM @HHS

## Varsity Boys BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:

FRI 12/16 7PM @HHS  
 THUR 1/5 7PM @HHS  
 TUES 1/10 7PM @KIMBALL  
 FRI 1/13 7PM @HHS  
 THUR 1/19 7PM @HHS  
 TUES 1/24 7PM @MAPLE LAKE  
 FRI 1/27 7PM @HHS  
 THUR 2/2 7PM @BBE  
 TUES 2/7 7PM @ACGC  
 FRI 2/10 7PM @ROYALTON  
 THUR 2/16 7PM @HHS  
 TUES 2/21 7PM @EVW  
 FRI 2/24 7PM @HHS  
 TUES 2/28 7PM @PAYNESVILLE

# Choir and Band Holiday Concerts

Come listen to the Holdingford bands and choirs this December in the Little Theater!



**6th -7th Grade Band Concert:** December 12 at 7:00 PM

**9th-12th Grades Band Concert:** December 12 at 8:00 PM

**6th Grade Choir Concert:** December 19 at 6:00 PM

**7th Grade Choir Concert :** December 19 at 7:00 pm

**9th-12th Grade Choir Concert:** December 19 at 8:00 pm

We hope to see you there!

*Submitted by Mr. Klepel (band) and Mrs. Gruendemann (choir)*

## Seniors: Apply for a Holdingford Scholarship Endowment Fund Scholarship!

Dear Seniors,

Whatever type of education you pursue—community or technical college, a certificate program, or a four-year university—the Holdingford community is here to support you!

Each year, the Holdingford Scholarship Endowment Fund awards scholarships to seniors based on school and community involvement, leadership skills, and post-secondary education plans. **All you have to do is submit a well-formed, quality application. Don't leave money on the table!**

This spring, take the time to apply for our scholarship. Your community is ready to support you!

For 2023 application watch for information in Google



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**Huskies**

# ELEMENTARY NEWS

## Greetings, Husker Family!

We are off to a sensational start of the 2022-2023 school year. Our building is filled with wonderfully, talented, and creative children. Kids, your kindness, hard work, manners, positive energy, and friendship are noticed and greatly appreciated!

We have the BEST teaching and support staff in the nation! Thank you for all your hard work. Thank you for being with us. I am proud of you! I am lucky to work along side you and share children with you.

I would like to thank each and every one of our parents, community members, community organizations, and businesses for supporting our school. Together we create hope and build better tomorrows! We have the BEST students in Minnesota! GREAT job Mom and Dad!

A huge Husker thank you goes out to our active and supportive school board and Superintendent Dr. Chris Swenson. Thank you for all your hard work and leadership. You are helped us write history and you provide our staff with the tools and resources needed to reach and teach every child.

Husker Families...Thank you for sharing your children with us. Thank you for supporting our teaching staff, and taking time each night to do homework and practice reading with your children. Day to day life can be hectic. Your support means the world to us. Thank you for teaching that a hard work ethic, good old fashion grit, and Husker kindness will lead the way to academic success, life success and healthy, happy friendships! Thank you for teaching the importance of being truthful, and modeling how to give a sincere apology. When families and schools work together, the sky's the limit!

As we jump into the new school year, new learning adventures and adversity, please remember to count your blessings. Remember we are in this together. Husker Family forever! I love being your principal!

*Submitted by Jim Stang, Elementary Principal*

## 2022-2023 Tuesday and Thursday Targeted Service

### Husker Study Skills

Classes Meet from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm.

#### October

Tuesday 4	Thursday 6
Tuesday 11	Thursday 13
Tuesday 18	Thursday 20 No Husker Study Skills
Tuesday 25	Thursday 27

#### November

Tuesday 1	Thursday 3
Tuesday 8	Thursday 10
Tuesday 15	Thursday 17
Tuesday 22	Thursday 24 No Husker Study Skills
Tuesday 29	

#### December

Thursday 1	_____
Tuesday 6	Thursday 8
Tuesday 13	Thursday 15
CHRISTMAS BREAK	

#### January

Tuesday 3	Thursday 5
Tuesday 10	Thursday 12
Tuesday 17	Thursday 19 No Husker Study Skills
Tuesday 24	Thursday 26
Tuesday 3	_____

#### February

_____	Thursday 2
Tuesday 7	Thursday 9 No Husker Study Skills
Tuesday 14	Thursday 16 No Husker Study Skills
Tuesday 21	Thursday 23
Tuesday 28	

#### March

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Tuesday 7	Thursday 9
Tuesday 14	Thursday 16
Tuesday 21	Thursday 23
Tuesday 28	Thursday 30

#### April

Tuesday 4	Thursday 6 No Husker Study Skills
Tuesday 11	Thursday 13
Tuesday 18	Thursday 20
Tuesday 25	Thursday 27

#### May

Tuesday 2	Thursday 4 Last day of Husker Study Skills
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# UPDATES!



**THANK YOU ALL** for helping make our first Walk-a-Thon PTA Fundraiser a **HUGE SUCCESS!** We had a 59% participation rate and exceeded our goal of 20K! All The students participated in different activities from doing laps around the track, and walking on the Wobegon Trail. The top 2 earning students from each grade level PreK-6, and 1 randomly drawn participating student from each grade level, won the chance to toss a pie in the face of a staff/parent volunteer! The fourth grade class won the class incentive of a movie day!

This fundraiser would not have been so successful without the amazing support of Principal Stang, the teachers, students and our wonderful families!

**The Fall Book Fair was a BIG HIT again this year!** The Book Fair takes A LOT of volunteer effort and we are SO GRATEFUL for those of you that helped assemble, run and tear down the displays. We could not have a successful Book Fair without all of you! Special thanks to Ms. Gerads for letting us take over the Media Center—we appreciate all of your help!



**The Family Ice Skating Party made its return this year for the first time since 2019 and was an AMAZING event!** We had nearly 100 students and 30 parents join us at the MAC in St. Cloud for some fun on the ice! **HUGE SHOUTOUT** to all of our Chaperones that helped with busing, tying skates, helping kiddos on the ice and dishing up pizza and refreshments. We appreciate ALL of you for your help!

**We are excited for the return of Penguin Patch® this December 14-16th!** It's so fun to watch students smile & giggle as they shop for holiday gifts for family & friends. Look for more information coming soon!



**February is 'I Love to Read' Month and we are gearing up for some ooey-goey fun to help our students stay engaged with reading!** We will kick off 'Read S'more Books' with a Read In Night on Tuesday, January 31st and conclude with Library Night on Thursday, March 2nd. Minnesota author Kevin Lovegreen will be visiting with 3-5th graders in February! Kevin brings the intricate wonders of the outdoors to life through his books. Through educational storytelling your child will be introduced to the wild outdoors. Stay tuned for more information!



We have an art partnership with Art-in-Motion coming up in December and Yearbook order forms will be sent home after Christmas break as an FYI! Upcoming meetings are: Dec. - No Meeting, Tues., Jan. 10th, Tues., Feb. 14th, Tues., Mar. 14th at 7:00 PM in the Elementary Media Center.

**Stay up-to-date with all things PTA** by providing your email address! Use your phone's camera to scan this QR Code to access the link!

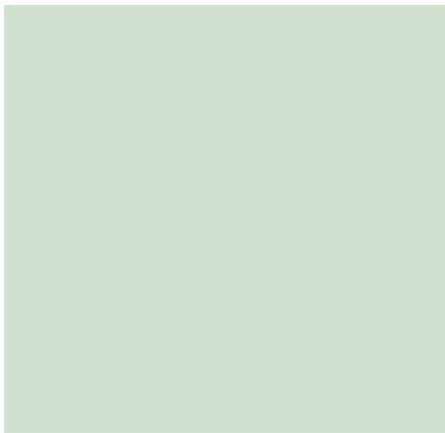


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# PTA ACTIVITIES!



# HUSKER HOMECOMING: HAT DAY IN THE ELEMENTARY!



## NEW OCTOBALL PIT!

See Holdingford Elementary PTA's Facebook Page for this story!

Principal Stang approached the PTA about funding/building an Ocotoball put for the elementary school.

When Renee and Aaron Rudolph heard the news, they stepped in to not only fund - but to help coordinate the dirt-work and building of the new pit! They worked with Mr. Stang and then called in some extra muscle to get the pit built before the kiddos returned to school!

Thank you so much to Mr. Stang, Keith Posch Tri-County Excavating, AJ Welle, Jesse Welle, Jason Welle, Nathan Kuklok, Renee & Aaron Rudolph, and Rudolph's RedneckRoost!



# COMMUNITY EDUCATION

**Kendra Posch | Community Ed. Director**  
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**Becca VanHeel | Community Ed. Coordinator**  
becca.vanheel@isd738.org , 320-746-4466

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[Community Ed. Online Registration](#)

## IMPORTANT

Don't miss out on class announcements! Make sure that all information is filled out accurately when registering for Community Education classes. If classes are changed for any reason, you will be notified via email. Please check the Community Ed. Facebook page for updates as well.  
**Remember:** If school is canceled, all Community Education classes are canceled including Husker Kids' Zone.

## Facility Rentals

Are you looking for something fun to do for a birthday party or family gathering? Look no further than the Holdingford School! Spaces such as the pool, gyms and cafeterias can be rented. It is necessary to call at least 2 weeks in advance to reserve the space. For pricing and more information on facility rentals contact Community Ed. at 320-746-4464 or email [becca.vanheel@isd738.org](mailto:becca.vanheel@isd738.org).

## Senior Citizen Passes

Senior Citizen passes are no longer required. Everyone 60 years or older will have free admission for District #738 home athletic events, concerts, and pay half price (plus materials) for qualifying Community Ed. Classes. This may not be true for tournaments scheduled outside of the school district. Each school board approves their own policy regarding senior citizen admittance. Individuals may be asked to show their ID to receive the senior citizen discount. We hope this will allow more people to a greater opportunity to use our school facilities.

## Open Gym

The high school and intermediate gyms will be open on Sunday afternoons from 1 PM—3 PM. Some basketballs will be provided, but you may also bring your own. Students under 7th grade must be accompanied by an adult and must stay in the gym. Tennis shoes are required in the gym. Enter HS door #1. No loitering allowed.  
**DATES:** Sundays, Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5, 19, 26, Mar. 5  
**TIME:** 1 PM—3 PM  
**FEE:** \$2.00/person OR \$5.00/family.  
**SUPERVISOR:** Community Ed. Staff  
\*\*Check the Holdingford Community Ed. Facebook page, website, and school calendar for any weather related cancellations/ closures.

## Open Swim

The high school pool will be open for open swim time on Sunday afternoons from 1 PM—3 PM. Some swim toys will be provided, but you may also bring your own. Students under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. There will be a lifeguard on duty. Enter HS door #1. No loitering allowed.  
**DATES:** Sundays, Jan. 22, 29, Feb. 5, 19, 26, Mar. 5  
**TIME:** 1 PM—3 PM  
**FEE:** \$2.00/person OR \$5.00/family.  
**SUPERVISOR:** Community Ed. Staff  
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Stay up to date on all things Community Ed! Like us on Facebook and be sure to check out our webpage.



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[www.isd738.org/community-education](http://www.isd738.org/community-education)

# Holiday Ribbon Wreath Creation

## *ArtBar39*

Grab some friends and join us at the Holdingford Legion for an evening of creativity, laughs, and holiday cheer! ArtBar39 staff will lead step-by-step directions and will bring all materials needed. This includes many different colors and ornament options for you to create your own personalized wreath. Below are some examples!

**DATE:** Friday, December 2

**TIME:** 6 PM—8 PM

**LOCATION:** Holdingford Legion

**FEE:** \$40.00

**DEADLINE:** November 28th



# Holiday Cookie Plate

Grades 1-5

## *ArtBar39*

You will create and personalize your very own holiday plate! You can use it everyday or save it for Santa's cookies! There will be many different designs to choose from including: Christmas Tree, Santa, and ornaments. Artbar39 staff will provide all of the materials and assist each child with their design.

**DATE:** Friday, December 2

**TIME:** 3 PM—4:20 PM

**LOCATION:** Elementary Cafeteria

**FEE:** \$20.00

**DEADLINE:** November 28th



# No-Sew Fleece Blankets

(Grades 3-6)

Make your own cozy blanket or give it as a gift to a loved one! Students will be guided step-by-step to make their very own fleece blanket. A snack will also be provided, please mark down any dietary concerns when registering. Please indicate 2 color choices when registering (red, black, green, blue, purple, pink, grey, brown, orange, and yellow.) Students will meet by the elementary cafeteria after school and will be walked down to the HS Meeting Room. Please pick students up promptly from HS door 1 at 5:00 PM.

**DATE:** Thursday, December 8

**LOCATION:** HS Meeting Room

**DEADLINE:** November 18

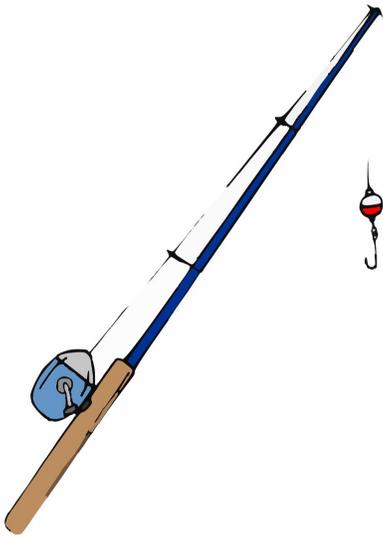
**MIN:** 3

**TIME:** 3 PM—5 PM

**FEE:** \$40.00

**INSTRUCTOR:** Community Ed. Staff

**MAX:** 9



## Attention Fishing Enthusiasts!

Holdingford High School and Community Education is exploring an exciting opportunity for students to participate in a high school fishing team. Spending time outdoors as a child or young adult can foster relationships to last a lifetime. Many students do not have the opportunity to cast a Shad Rap or net a walleye. Your involvement in the development of the fishing team can make this possible and give students an opportunity to participate.

### What activities will the student anglers participate in?

- Introductory Meetings and Organization
- On-the-water events including launch trips and local fishing trips
- Regional competitive tournaments such as the Student Angler Tournament Trail and the MN High School Muskie Trail
- Seminars from pros and local fishing experts
- Fishing Education Days

If you are interested in learning more about the fishing team, fill out the survey by December 1, 2022 at: <https://forms.gle/8SqV4ADAJf9gsc2a7> (The link to the survey is also located on the Community Ed. webpage.)

## ZOOM CLASSES WITH KRIS SIEVERT FROM LAKE WOBEGON TRAVEL!

The following classes are all online via Zoom. A couple of days before the class you will be emailed a Zoom link to attend the class. \*register through Community Ed.

### New & Different Cruising Opportunities

There were many changes to the cruise industry because of COVID. Numerous ships had delayed launches or maiden voyages. There were entire cruise lines that didn't even get to start until after travel was allowed again. Join Kris from Never Ordinary Travel by Kris to learn more about these new cruise lines and explore different cruising options.

**DATE:** Wednesday, December 7

**TIME:** 7 PM—8:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Online via Zoom

**FEE:** \$5.00

**DEADLINE:** Wednesday, November 30

### Golf Travel

Fore Golfers! Explore how to incorporate your hobbies, interests or avocations into your travel. While this session focuses on golf, intrepid travelers will learn more about travel planning around your interests.

**DATE:** Wednesday, January 18

**TIME:** 7 PM—8:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Online via Zoom

**FEE:** \$5.00

**DEADLINE:** Wednesday, January 11

### How To: Our National Parks

The National Park Service manages 423 individual units covering more than 85 million acres in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and US territories. There is a NPS location near you or to be included in your travel plans. Learn more about the types of experiences NPS offers, how to stay at a location and general travel tips on the park service website.

**DATE:** Wednesday, February 15

**TIME:** 7 PM—8:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Online via Zoom

**FEE:** \$5.00

**DEADLINE:** Wednesday, February 8

### Camp Kitchens & Cooking

Summer will be shortly. Now is the time to start planning and prepping your camping culinary needs. Explore different cooking options, packing up a kitchen for camping, meal planning, meal types and ice cooler safety tips.

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 15

**TIME:** 7 PM—8:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Online via Zoom

**FEE:** \$5.00

**DEADLINE:** Wednesday, March 8

## Open Pickleball

Pickleball is a fun sport that combines many elements of tennis, badminton, and ping pong. Whether you're a beginner or experienced player, it does not matter! All skill levels are welcome!

\*Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**DATES:** November 6—March 26

**TIME:** 3 PM—5 PM

**LOCATION:** Intermediate Gym (enter HS door 1)

**FEE:** \$2.00, pay at the gym (senior citizen rate is half price)

**SUPERVISOR:** Molly Schnell

## Morning Lap Swim

The pool will be open for lap swim on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 6 AM—7 AM. A lifeguard will be on duty. You must register for the whole session.

**DATES:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, December 6—February 2

**\*\* No lap swim December 22, 27, 29**

**TIME:** 6 AM—7 AM

**FEE:** \$60.00

**DEADLINE:** December 1

**MIN:** 5



## Water Aerobics

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. The pool steps make it easily accessible.

**DATE:** Sundays, November 20—January 29

**\*\*No water aerobics November 27, December 25, January 1.**

**TIME:** 6:30 PM—7:30 PM

**FEE:** \$24.00 OR \$3.00 per night at the door  
**(Senior citizen rate is 1/2 price)**

## Online Technology Classes

Help with...

### Help with Facebook:

### Get the Answers You Need!

In this Class you'll learn to feel comfortable using the world's most popular social media site to safely connect with family and friends. Attendees will learn the basics along with posting photos and other top tips for utilizing the site. We'll also review the recommended privacy settings and you'll leave this training with the knowledge on how to navigate confidently through the social media platform.

**DATE:** Thursday, January 5

**TIME:** 12 PM—1 PM

**FEE:** \$18.00

**LOCATION:** Online through Zoom (class will be recorded if you are unable to make the time)

**INSTRUCTOR:** Nickie Welsh—Social Club Simple

### Help with Snapchat

Have you been curious as to what Snapchat is exactly? In this workshop we will cover everything adults need to know about one of the most popular social media apps in the world. You'll learn the foundation for how Snapchat is used, what the basic features include, and more. Stay up to date in today's digital world with this fun and informational class. Attendees will learn the basic fundamentals of how the app works, how to set up safety features, how to check for profile details, and how advertisers work to target audience members.

**DATE:** Thursday, January 19

**TIME:** 12 PM—1 PM

**FEE:** \$18.00

**LOCATION:** Online through Zoom (class will be recorded if you are unable to make the time)

**INSTRUCTOR:** Nickie Welsh—Social Club Simple

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Register online at : [www.todaysdrivingschool.com](http://www.todaysdrivingschool.com)

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Select Class : **March 13—March 24, 6 PM—9 PM**

**June 5—16, 9 AM—12PM**

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# Online Technology Classes For Parents...

## A Parent's Guide To TikTok

Have you heard about the new latest app called TikTok? In this fun class we'll take a look at the fastest growing social media app used by millions each day. Learn how it's used and how parents can also help their kids stay safe while on it. We'll cover everything you need to know as it's paving the future of a new social media.

**DATE:** Tuesday, January 24

**TIME:** 12 PM—1 PM

**FEE:** \$18.00

**LOCATION:** Online through Zoom (class will be recorded if you are unable to make the time)

**INSTRUCTOR:** Nickie Welsh—Social Club Simple

## Cell Phones & Parenting— Oh My!

When your child has a Smartphone there are key things you should know in order to keep them safe and secure. In this Class you'll understand recommended safety settings on popular social media apps, parental apps for your child's Smartphone, and more! We simplify this complicated technology so that you and your child can use the phone safely without worry.

**DATE:** Thursday, February 2

**TIME:** 12 PM—1 PM

**FEE:** \$18.00

**LOCATION:** Online through Zoom (class will be recorded if you are unable to make the time)

**INSTRUCTOR:** Nickie Welsh—Social Club Simple

# Elementary Girls' Basketball

## Grades 3-6

There will be an informational meeting/practice on Saturday, November 12 in the High School LMC from 10-11am. Parents, volunteer coaches, and players are asked to attend. Jerseys and Practice/Tournament Schedules will be handed out at this meeting. Then, from 11-12pm, there will be a coaches clinic in the HS Gym for volunteer coaches. During this time players will go to the Intermediate Gym and practice. Official Saturday practices with grade levels will run from November 21 until mid-February.

Tournaments will start in January (there may be one December Tournament) and will vary in number for each grade level. Grade level coaches may also schedule additional practices during the week. It is up to teams, coaches, and availability of gyms.

Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the practices and games.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

Saturday, November 12 (10-noon) -- Informational Meeting and Player Practice

Saturday, November 19 (10-noon) -- Parent coaches will practice with players from 10-noon

\*High School Coaches/Players have a scrimmage at Cathedral this day and cannot attend practice.

Saturday, November 26 -- NO PRACTICE THANKSGIVING BREAK

Saturday, December 3 (10-noon) -- Varsity Coaches 10-11 || Parent Coaches 11-12

Saturday, December 10 (10-noon) -- Varsity Coaches 10-11 || Parent Coaches 11-12

Saturday, December 17 (10-noon) -- Varsity Coaches 10-11 || Parent Coaches 11-12

Saturday, December 24 -- NO PRACTICE CHRISTMAS EVE

Saturday, December 31 – NEW YEAR'S EVE \*Practice is coach's discretion

\*\*After Christmas break, practice will be on Saturdays from 10am-12pm when there are no games.

Additional practices can be scheduled during the week, if necessary through the Community Ed. office.

\*No more than one practice during the week please

\*\*Tournament dates will be on Saturdays or Sundays starting mid-January and will vary by grade level.

\*\*There will be a tournament schedule given out during the first informational meeting.

### LOCATION FOR SATURDAYS:

6th grade - HS GYM

5th grade - Elementary Gym

3rd & 4th grade - Intermediate Gym

### PRACTICE FEES:

5th and 6th grade - \$65

4th grade - \$50

3rd grade - \$40

\*Additional \$5 if registered  
after November 5.

**INSTRUCTORS:** Volunteer coaches with the help of high school basketball coaches and players

\*\*There must be a parent volunteer to coach each team. If there is not a coach, there will not be a team.

Please mark on the registration form if you are interested in coaching and which grade level.

No more than 3 coaches per team, with 2 coaches per team being the recommendation.

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# Elementary Boys' Basketball

## Grades 3-6



All elementary boys basketball players grades 3-6 are invited to participate in the Husker Elementary Basketball program.

Start date Monday, November 14th. Parent meeting starting at 6PM in the LMC (High School Library). Please make every effort to attend this important meeting as future tournament schedules and practice schedules will be discussed. We ask that one parent/guardian attend the parent meeting. The boys will start practice during this meeting in the HS gym with the high school basketball players.

The varsity and junior varsity players and coaches will provide skills practice on Monday nights through December 19<sup>th</sup> for grades 3-6. Players will be working on skills in shooting, ball handling, passing, offensive and defensive strategies, hustle and teamwork.

Practices with parent volunteer coaches will be on Saturdays (Grades 3-6) starting November 19<sup>th</sup> and Monday Evenings (Grades 4-6) beginning December 26<sup>th</sup> through February 2023. Practices will be spent working with grade specific teams and coaches preparing for tournament play. Tournament play will start in January. Parents will be responsible for transporting players to games and practices.

Youth Basketball Clothing Order will be available from Everything Signs **starting October 23 to November 8:** <https://basketball.huskers.store/>  
Items purchased will be handed out at a practice sometime before Christmas.

We will be utilizing a parent-coaches communication app called “Remind”. This is a free, secure app that can be downloaded to any iPhone or Android device. The class code for the Elementary Boys Basketball program is: **@huskerse** (For those of you new to Remind, instructions for the app will be handed out at the parent meeting)

### DATES/TIME:

Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> -- Parent Meeting - 6:00 p.m.; Skills practice 6:00 PM—7:30 PM  
November 19 through February -- Saturdays 8:00 AM—10:00 AM  
(NO PRACTICE November 26 or December 24)

**Monday Evening Skills Practice with HS Players (3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) :**  
November 14<sup>th</sup> through December 19<sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM—7:30 PM

**Monday Evening Coach’s Practice (4<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> grade):**  
December 26<sup>th</sup> through February 6:00 PM—7:30 PM

### LOCATIONS FOR SATUDAYS:

3rd grade - Intermediate Gym  
4th grade - Intermediate Gym  
5th grade - Elementary Gym  
6th grade - High School Gym

### FEES:

3rd grade - \$40  
4th grade - \$45  
5th grade - \$50  
6th grade - \$50  
\*Additional \$5 if registered after November 5.

**INSTRUCTORS:** High school basketball coaches, players, and parent volunteers

\* There must be a parent volunteer to coach each team. If there is not a coach, there will not be a team. Please mark on the registration form if you are interested in coaching and which grade level.

# HOLDINGFORD HEAT 2022-23

## JO Volleyball | grades 7-11

### **MISSION**

Our mission for Holdingford Heat JO Volleyball is to provide a competitive program in which players at each level will develop and grow as athletes. Our goal is to provide the best JO experience for all participants. This year, we will be partnering with NCR and USAV in order to increase opportunities for our teams.

### **TRYOUTS**

Tryouts will be held on **Sunday, November 20 in the High School Gym** (register for tryouts online)

**Grades 7-8:** 3:00-5:00pm – **Grades 9-11:** 5:30-7:30pm

All players will be placed on a team. Teams will be divided according to: age, athletic ability in volleyball, position, and ability to be coached. Players will be placed on a team in which they will receive the most playing time and the most opportunity to learn/grow as an athlete.

### **SEASON SCHEDULE**

The season will begin in January and end in April or May, depending on the team's tournament schedule. The first practice will be held promptly after the holiday/winter break. All teams will practice on Sundays with an additional weeknight practice. Each team will compete in 5-6 tournaments throughout the season. **Players will be given a practice and tournament schedule at the start of the season so families and players can plan accordingly.**

### **MULTI-SPORT ATHLETES**

We encourage athletes to be in multiple sports and activities. Therefore, we provide a program to accommodate all athletes, including those who are in multiple activities. In order to do this, we strategically schedule around other school activity schedules. Practices and many tournaments will take place on Sundays. We also emphasize that school and school activities should take priority over JO. If a player must miss practice due to a scheduling conflict, she will be exempt.

### **COST**

We are working hard to find ways to keep the cost down for our program in order to make it affordable for all families. Currently, the cost to participate ranges between \$275-\$300. Additionally, players will need to pay a \$55 NCR/USAV Membership fee. The final cost will be determined after teams are divided. We will also be providing a fundraiser for players who want to raise money to go toward their individual fee.

### **REGISTER**

To register for tryouts, please visit the Community Ed website.

>Community Education >Youth Athletics, >JO Volleyball Tryouts

After tryouts, when teams are divided, we will take care of additional registration and fees.



SCAN TO REGISTER!

### **CONTACT**

For any questions regarding JO Volleyball, please contact Maria Harren.

Email: [mkslivnik@gmail.com](mailto:mkslivnik@gmail.com) Cell: 320-241-3668

**\*\*JO Volleyball for grades 4-6 will begin in February. More info to come!**



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## YOUTH BIG BUCK CHALLENGE

Holdingsford Community Ed. Is having a Youth Big Buck Competition. Any person under the age of 18 with a valid Minnesota Youth Deer permit, proper supervision from an adult, and with legal guardian's permission can enter this contest.

Categories for this contest will include the Biggest Buck and the Best Photo, please select your category when registering.

Your deer must be harvested between September 17, 2022 and December 31, 2022. Once you have harvested your animal, scores and photos can be submitted online using the link from your registration receipt. Please check your email to find your registration receipt. If you cannot find the link, please reach out to the Community Ed. Office.

If you do not register and/ or fill out the online form by the deadline, you will not qualify for this contest.

There will be two winners per category- winner of the Biggest Buck and winner of the Best Photo. The Holdingsford Sportsman Club will be the official judges of this contest and will select winners.

**DEADLINE TO HARVEST DEER:** December 31, 2022

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER AND COMPLETE ONLINE FORM:** January 2, 2023

**ENTRY FEE:** \$5.00

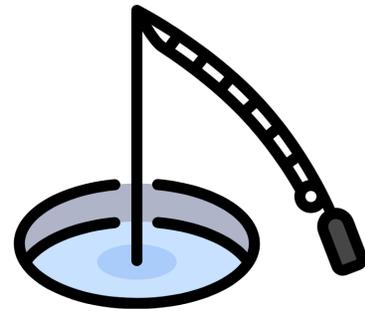
**PRIZE:** \$25.00 gift card to Scheels (two winners per category)

## YOUTH ICE FISHING CONTEST

Holdingsford Community Ed. Is having a Youth Ice Fishing Contest. Any youth in grades K-12 can enter this contest. Participants 16+ years old must have a current Minnesota fishing license. The fish pictured must be a MN catch between November 1, 2022 and February 28, 2023.

The deadline to register and submit your photos is March 4, 2023. Please check your email after registering, there will be link to submit your photos. Reach out to the Community Ed. Office if you cannot locate the link.

There will be 2 categories– Biggest Fish (weight) and Best Photo. The Holdingsford Sportsman Club will be the official judges of this contest and will select the winners.



**DEADLINE TO REGISTER:** March 4, 2023

**ENTRY FEE:** \$5.00

**PRIZE:** \$25.00 gift card to Scheels  
(2 winners per category)

## Babysitting & Staying Home Alone Clinic

This clinic is a preparation course for boys and girls ages 11+ 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 behavior, games to entertain, and basics of newborns—toddlers. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a bag lunch.

Please drop off and pick up from high school door #1.

**DATE:** Saturday, March 18

**FEE:** \$30.00

**DEADLINE:** March 6

**MIN:** 20

**TIME:** 9 AM—2:30 PM

**LOCATION:** High School LMC

**MAX:** 30

**INSTRUCTORS:** Rachel Schwartz and Anna Christensen

# VIRTUAL TECH ACADEMY CLASSES

## TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL CLASSES:

- **Computer:** PC (Windows XP or later) or Mac (OSX) with at least a 2GHz processor and 4GB of RAM
- **Internet:** Broadband internet
- **Webcam**
- **Microphone and speakers**
- **Google Meet**



### Multiplayer Minecraft Adventure Map Builder (Grades 1-6)

Work as a Team to create a multiplayer map that features monster spawners, hidden armor, and more! Choose to design an in-game dungeon or build a castle to explore. Create tons of mini-games with all of your friends! Basic computer skills needed (basic keyboarding and using a mouse.)

#### Additional Tech Requirements:

- Minecraft Java Edition
- PC needed (will not work with Chromebooks, tablets, or phones)

**DATES:** Saturday, January 7 & 14

**TIME:** 8 AM—10 AM

**FEE:** \$60.00

**INSTRUCTOR:** Tech Academy Staff

**DEADLINE:** Wednesday, December 28

**MIN:** 8

### Game Coding: Mario Kart (Grades 3-7)

In this class we introduce students to programming concepts using Scratch. Scratch is a drag-and-drop creative coding platform developed by MIT. Students will be instructed to make a Mario Kart style game. Then pick custom characters, track to customize their games. Basic computer skills needed, (basic keyboarding and using a mouse.)

#### Additional Tech Requirements:

- PC needed (will not work on Chromebooks, tablets, or cell phones.)

**DATE:** Thursday, March 16

**TIME:** 6 PM—7:30 PM

**FEE:** \$23.00

**INSTRUCTOR:** Tech Academy Staff

**DEADLINE:** Monday, March 6

**MIN:** 8



## American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification Course

Earn your lifeguard certification through American Red Cross! This class includes online coursework that needs to be completed prior to the in person day. Plan for 8-10 hours to complete the online portion. Please be sure to pack a lunch and snacks for the in person class time.

**DATE:** Saturday, November 5

**FEE:** \$200.00

**LOCATION:** HS Pool & LMC

**INSTRUCTOR:** Curt Hoffman

**TIME:** 8 AM—6 PM

**REQUIREMENTS:** 15 years old by November 5, 2022

**DEADLINE:** October 28, 2022

**\*\*Community Ed. Is looking for students that are interested in lifeguarding and/or teaching swim lessons. Community Ed. Will reimburse you \$100.00 if you lifeguard or teach lessons for us!**

# Winter PotSpot Painting!

Grades K-6

There will be an assortment of Winter themed figurines for you to choose from! Paint it however you wish! Instructors will bring the supplies, and you bring the creativity! PotSpot will take the items to be fired and return them within 2 weeks. Please pick students up from door 8. **There will be two different dates for this class, please select the date you would like when registering.**

**DATE:** Monday, December 5

**TIME:** 3 PM—4:15 PM

**FEE:** \$19.00

**LOCATION:** Elem Teacher's Lounge

**MAX:** 20 (per class)

**DEADLINE:** November 28

**DATE:** Tuesday, January 10

**TIME:** 3 PM—4:15 PM

**FEE:** \$19.00

**LOCATION:** Elem Teacher's Lounge

**MAX:** 20 (per class)

**DEADLINE:** January 3

**OR**

## Elementary Wrestling (Kindergarten – 6th Grade)

Elementary practice will begin Thursday, December 1 for K-6th grade. This is a great opportunity to learn wrestling fundamentals, get physical activity and have fun.

All grades K-6th will practice Monday and Thursday nights from 6:15 PM—7:30 PM. There will be a parent meeting the first night of practice. We encourage all parents to attend this meeting.

If your child wants to compete in weekend tournaments they will need a singlet or fight shorts and compression shirt. There is a \$40 deposit for Singlets or Fight Shorts and Compression shirt. Deposits will be refunded when the singlet/fight shorts/compression shirt are returned at the end of the year. These will be passed out at one of the first practices.

**If you have any questions, please contact:**

- Coach Oellien at 746-4397, [logan.oellien@isd738.org](mailto:logan.oellien@isd738.org)
- Scott Binek at 320- 333-6948
- Rob Knettel at [rob.knettel@isd738.org](mailto:rob.knettel@isd738.org)

We are still looking for parent volunteers to help with practices. Any help would be appreciated, so please let us know if you are interested.

**DATES:** Monday and Thursday nights in the months of December, January, February, and March

**TIME:** 6:15 PM—7:30 PM

**FEE:** \$32.00

**LOCATION:** High School Wrestling Room (Please use High School Door 2)



# 2022-23 Winter Swim Lessons

Registration for swim lessons will open on Friday, December 9 at 9:00 AM. You can register online at [www.holdingford.revtrak.net](http://www.holdingford.revtrak.net) or by calling into the Community Ed. Office-

Kendra: 320-746-4465

Becca: 320-746-4466

There are a limited number of spots available, and they fill up fast! If the lessons are full please add yourself to the waitlist, if there are any openings we will reach out to you.

Keep an eye on the Community Ed. Facebook page and Webpage for swim lesson schedules!

## **FEE:**

- \$55.00 for in district participants
- \$60.00 for out of district participants
- \$35.00 for second child in same session/ level.

## **LEVEL 1**

Participants become comfortable in the water learning basic skills. Safety topics include pool rules, recognizing lifeguard, safe water entry, being able to recall name and phone number, helping yourself in an emergency and proper use of life jacket.

## **LEVEL 2**

Participants learn to swim without support. Safety topics include being able to recall parent/guardian names, home address, proper use of life jackets and boat safety.

## **LEVEL 3**

Participants learn to be comfortable with new skills in deep water and learn new strokes. Safety topics include helping yourself and others in an emergency, safe weather conditions for swimming and proper use of life jackets.

## **LEVEL 4**

Participants increase endurance, improve skills learned in Swim levels 1-3 while learning new skills. Safety topics include basic First Aid, reaching assist and proper use of life jacket.

## **INFORMATION:**

- Students must be at least 4 years old to take private swim lessons
- Please enter through HS door 1 and watch for alternative entrance signs posted that may be due to misc. maintenance
- Private changing rooms are available.
- Participants should shower before entering the pool.
- Please bring goggles for your child.
- It is NOT recommended to have 2 children in a lesson if one/both cannot touch in the shallow end.
- Pass/Fail and certificates will be emailed to parents.

## **LEVEL 5**

Participants learn ways to improve efficiency for strokes learned in Swim levels 1-4 while learning new skills. Safety topics include First Aid, throwing assist and proper use of a life jacket.

## **LEVEL 6**

Participants have learned all strokes and will concentrate on refining their technique. Safety topics include recognizing spinal injury and proper use of life jacket.



# Early Childhood

Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) is for parents and their children to come to school together to explore, sing, play, and learn. Parents also have time to talk about the joys and challenges of being a parent with other families “in the same shoes”. By coming to school with your young child you are demonstrating to your child that school is a great place to be. You can register online for ECFE classes or by filling out the registration below. Please also send a copy of your child’s vaccination record. Register early, classes fill up. (all classes enter door 7).

**Sibling care** is offered during evening ECFE classes only. This is a free service provided to make it easier for families to attend early childhood classes. Please mark on the registration form if your family will utilize this service and the names/ages of the children attending sibling care.

## 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—start on Kindergarten as required by law.

### What to expect at a screening appointment

a trained professional will check:

- Thinking, language, and communication
- Social and emotional development.
- Vision and hearing
- Immunizations
- height and weight
- Large and small muscles

### 2022-23 Early Childhood Screening Dates:

- November 23, 2022 - January 23, 2023 - April 6, 2023 -

**\*\*To Schedule an appointment call 320-746-4462**

## ECFE Sliding Fee Scale

Household Income	6 week	12 week
Under \$15,000	\$13	\$26
\$15,000-\$20,000	\$20	\$40
\$20,000-\$30,000	\$33	\$66
\$30,000-\$40,000	\$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

## Just for 3's (12 week class)

This class is perfect for children who are 3 years old by September 1, 2022. This class includes a parent education component where parents separate from the children for a short time. Class will be offered on Tuesday evenings from **6 PM—7:30 PM** in the preschool classrooms.

**DATES:** November 29, December 6, 13, 20, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 21

**No Class December 27**

**TIME:** 6 PM—7:30 PM

**MAX:** 10 children

\* No one will be denied participation due to an inability to pay. Alternative arrangements can be made by calling 320-746-4465. If your income is below \$15,000, you might qualify for Head Start programming. Head Start contact is 320-253-8110.

## Fabulous 4's (6 week Class)

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 2023. Class will be held on Tuesday evenings from **6 PM—8 PM**. Parents drop off their child for this class and will receive informational handouts to view at home. Requirement: 4 years old by September 1, 2022.

**DATES:** April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9

**TIME:** 6 PM—8 PM

**MAX:** 10 Children

## Babies, 1's and 2's (6 week class)

This class is designed for children ages birth-36 months as of September 1, 2022. Class meets Friday mornings from **9 AM—10 AM**.

**DATES:** February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 31, April 14.

**MAX:** 8 children

## Stop by and Play

Looking for a fun place to play and meet new families? Here is an opportunity for you and your child to come to school and play! Each Friday that the elementary school is in session, the preschool classroom will be open for play. Toys, games, and various activities will be available. We only ask that you sign in and please put the room back the way you found it.

**DATES:** Fridays (school session days)

**TIME:** 9 AM—10:30 AM

**FEE:** FREE

### Early Childhood Contacts:

Jim Stang, Elementary Principal 320-746-4461

Kendra Posch, Community Ed. Director/Preschool 320-746-4465

Becca VanHeel, Community Ed. Coordinator 320-746-4466

Christy Gustafson, Elementary Secretary / screening 320-746-4462

Jen Schwalbe, Early Childhood/ 4's Preschool 320-746-4378

Amanda McDonough, Early Childhood/ 4's Preschool 320-746-4403

Lynn Nelson, Early Childhood Special Ed. 320-746-4399

Sara Szafranski, Speech & Language 320-746-4379

Kristen Bruns, School Nurse 320-746-4369





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GRADES 4-6



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**OR CURRENT RESIDENT**

**Please Note:**

If you have any of The following changes, please notify Tammi Hanson in the high school office (320-746-4333) 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. Thank you!

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