Welcome to the Peek at the Week! I would like to sincerely welcome you to our district. We are here to serve you and hope that you will soon feel our district pride and our attitude of gratitude! We feel fortunate for the opportunity to work with your student(s) and collaborate with you! Please encourage your student(s) to read each night! I appreciate you all! Here is your next Peek at the Week!

District Pride, Community Wide!

David G. Hornak, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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SOCIAL MEDIA

For up to date information regarding our school community, please consider connecting with us on our social media sites:

INSTAGRAM: @HoltPublic
TWITTER: @HoltPublicSch
FACEBOOK: Holt Public Schools
YOUTUBE: (Holt Public Schools Communications): https://gohps.net/HPSYouTube
TALK WITH US TUESDAY WEEKLY PODCAST: http://holtpublicsch.podbean.com/
WEBSITE: http://www.hpsk12.net
HOLT HIGH ATHLETICS: http://holtathletics.org
HOLT PUBLIC KIDS’ WORLD NEWS: http://www.kidsworldnews.org/local-editions

THIS WEEK

Monday, February 17: Mid-Winter Break: No School
Tuesday, February 18: Mid-Winter Break: No School
Wednesday, February 19: Mid-Winter Break: No School
Thursday, February 20: Mid-Winter Break: No School
Friday, February 21: Mid-Winter Break: No School

A WEEK AHEAD

February 24: School Resumes
February 25:
February 26: Late Start/Early Release
February 27:
February 28:

OTHER DATES TO CONSIDER

- Mid-Winter Break ~ All Schools: February 17 ~ February 21
- Capital Area Community Services 30th Annual Walk for Warmth: February 22 @ 9:30am (Mason First United Methodist Church)
- State of the Culture: February 26 (HHS-Chi Library @ 5pm)
- South Lansing/Holt Rotary Club Annual Texas Roadhouse Celebrity Luncheon: March 5, 2020
- Holt Public Ski/Snowboarding Saturday @ Caberfae: March 7, 2020
- Band Aid: March 10, 2020
- Wrestling Fundraiser (Comedy Night at HHS): March 14, 2020
- Holt Education Foundation Innovation Showcase: March 24, 2020
- District Pride, Community Ride: May 9
- Commencement: May 31, 2020 @ 4:30pm
NEW THIS WEEK

**Letter from Prosecuting Attorney, Carol A. Siemon**
Attached you will find a letter written by Ingham County Prosecuting Attorney, Carol A. Siemon regarding school violence and threats. Please take some time to discuss the attached letter with your student(s).

**Delhi Charter Township Youth Tobacco and Vaping Ordinance**
On November 19, 2019, the Youth Tobacco and Vaping Ordinance 71.8, took effect. A ticket now can be written if a student smokes or vapes on school property. In addition to the fines associated with the ticket, the Court may require community service.

**Junior Rams Softball News**
The Holt Jr. Rams Softball (HJRSB) program invites you to join our spring/summer softball program for 7-14 year old players living in the Holt/Dimondale community or attending Holt Public Schools. Players will be assigned to teams based on skill level and age. Teams will play in the “Mason League” against other similar skill level teams from the Greater Lansing-area. There will be teams for 7-8 year olds (U8), 9-10 year olds (U10), 11-12 year olds (U12) and 13-14 year olds (U14). Check out the attachment for more!

**Holt Public Day at Caberfae (Ski/Snowboarding Saturday)**
Preregistration is now open for the 2020 Holt Public/Caberfae Peaks Ski/Snowboarding Saturday on March 7, 2020! This event and special pricing has again been offered to members of our learning community and your friends and family. Rates begin at only $15 and include a lift ticket, lesson, and rental.

Preregistration is required: https://gohps.net/hpsskisnowboardingsaturday2020. An invoice and waiver will be emailed to the group contact you provide on the preregistration form. Last year over 200 people from our learning community enjoyed a day on the slopes of Caberfae! We hope to set a new record this year!

**State of the Culture: A Symposium for Minority Student Parents and Concerned Members of the Holt High School Community**
Join teacher, Robert Dozier, IV for a conversation regarding the State of the Culture on Wednesday, February 26 in the Holt High School Chi Library. Join us at 5:00pm. Dinner begins at 5:15pm with the Symposium to follow. Check out the attached flyer for more! To help with planning, please RSVP here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/for-the-culture-symposium-tickets-94623670947

**Track and Field Clothing Order**
The Track and Field teams are selling spirit wear and clothing. To check it out or to place an order visit: HOLT RAMS TRACK & FIELD CLOTHING ORDER 2020
**Soaring Eagle Waterpark Special for Holt Public Families** *(Must have a student in the District)*

The Soaring Eagle Waterpark in Mt. Pleasant is offering our families a special rate at any point moving forward! These benefits include:

- $99.00 Sun-Thu, Quad Rate in a Standard Double Queen Room at Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel  
  (Offer includes up to 4 waterpark passes per day/per room at Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel)
- $149.00 Fri-Sat, Quad Rate in a Standard Double Queen Room at Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel  
  (Offer includes up to 4 waterpark passes per day/per room at Soaring Eagle Waterpark and Hotel)
- 15% Discount off of the regular room rate for The Retreat at Soaring Eagle
- 15% Discount off of the regular site rate for Soaring Eagle Hideaway RV Park
- 25% Discount off Meeting Room Rentals
- Waterpark Day Passes $15.00 Of groups of 10 or more.
- Discounted pricing on rooms and waterpark groups of 10 or more

Call: (989) 817-4828* and use the code below! *please call the number listed above...as the general line will not accept this code. The Holt Public Special Rate Code is:  HPS

**Spark a Young Writers Camp (Summer Camp)**

Back by popular demand! Spark a Young Writers Summer writing camp will again be held at Sycamore Elementary this summer. Camp will be held July 13-16, 2020! Check out the attachments for more!

**Band Aid Fundraiser – March 10**

The Holt Band Boosters are collecting silent auction donations for their annual Band Aid Fundraiser on March 10, 2020! This event provides support for over 500 band students! To donate, offer your support, or volunteer, please contact Kate Sellers:

[goings_kate@yahoo.com](mailto:goings_kate@yahoo.com)

**Dr. William G. Anderson Lecture Series at MSU**

The Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine is very proud of our tradition in offering the Dr. William G. Anderson Lecture Series, Slavery to Freedom: An American Odyssey. Once again in 2020, we are bringing three nationally acclaimed leaders to campus (MSU) to spark discussion and interaction on issues around diversity, civil rights and social justice.

The dates, times and locations for their free presentations are noted below:

- **February 18**: April Ryan @ 5:00 p.m., Wharton Center, Pasant Theatre
- **February 27**: Bankole Thompson @ 5:00 p.m., Kellogg Center Auditorium
Youth Soccer Training
The Rush Soccer Club is offering youth soccer training this winter. Check out the attachment for more!

Michigan Child Protection Registry
Are your children safe while online? Michigan families, especially minors, are becoming inundated with advertisements from alcohol, tobacco, pornography and gambling marketers through different internet and cell phone inboxes. Texting their advertisements is the newest marketing effort that many of these companies are using. Thankfully, the State of Michigan offers a free program to stop adult advertisements from reaching e-mails, mobile phones (text messaging ads) and instant messenger IDs. The Michigan Child Protection Registry, like the federal Do Not Call List, is a free do-not-contact service for Michigan’s families and can be located at www.ProtectMIChild.com.

As a strong supporter of this registry, I would like to encourage you to sign your entire family up for the registry and inform your friends and colleagues about how they can protect children and families from unwanted adult advertising. To sign up only takes seconds. Just go to www.ProtectMIChild.com and keep your family safe.

MSU GATE Classes
Michigan State University’s Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) offers summer and academic year programs that provide a challenging and fun academic experience for 2nd – 11th grade gifted students. For more information, visit: https://spartanyouth.msu.edu/Resource.aspx?ResourceID=143. Please contact the GATE office at gifted@msu.edu with any questions.

Now Hiring
We are in the process of filling several vacant positions. Please share this link with your contact list: http://www.hpsk12.net/our-district/employment/

Opt Out Info
In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), Holt Public Schools may publish directory information. This directory information is used in school publications, yearbooks, activity and athletic programs, television productions, websites, as well as inquiries from community partners, other schools, and potential employers. In the event you wish to have some or all of your child’s directory information be withheld, please visit: https://www.hpsk12.net/parentsstudents/student-directory-opt-out-information/

Ram Quarterly
The newest edition of the Ram Quarterly has been published and can be located online here: www.holtnow.com and in select locations across our learning community in paper form at Buddies, the Dimondale and Holt libraries, the Sam Corey Senior Center, and Morninglory’s Cafe.
Social Media
From time to time, families desire additional information regarding a situation that has occurred at school. While school officials would like to share the details with you, they are prohibited from divulging additional information to anyone other than the student and the parents or guardians of the specific student. Whether we are dealing with a low-level threat or a situation involving multiple students in conflict, we urge you to refrain from turning to social media to access additional information about school. When appropriate, accurate public information may be shared on our social media sites. Please follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!

HPS Podcasts
Our Delhi Township Supervisor and I have recorded over 170 podcasts. Each podcast is relevant to the week we record. The podcasts are promoted on Tuesdays via our social media platforms. In the event you wish to listen to our previously recorded shows, click on the following link: http://holtpublicsch.podbean.com/

Brick Sale for Athletics
The Ram Victory Club is selling engraved bricks to be placed at the football stadium! The proceeds for the Brick Sale go to the Ram Victory Club! The purpose of the Club shall be to facilitate capital improvements for athletic programs and facilities of the Holt Public Schools. For more information or to purchase a brick, visit https://holtcommunity.org/about/community-impact/

#holtramseverywhere
In the event you are traveling in the near future, consider posting a picture in a Holt shirt from your location! We are aware that students who have been educated by Holt Public are now living or traveling across the world at any given time! As you navigate the world moving (locally and outside of our region) forward, consider taking a picture in a Holt shirt and posting it to our Instagram page at holtpublic or our Twitter page @holtpublicsch or on our Facebook page at Holt Schools Advantage. Please use the following in your post: #holtramseverywhere.

Holt Public Personalizes the Monthly Periodical Kids’ World News: Thanks to the Holt Business Alliance
This newspaper will have articles and news specific to Holt Public! In addition, each month you will find a monthly calendar for you to reference! Thanks Holt Business Alliance—you all deserve a wow, wow, super, wow! Here is the online link: http://www.kidsworldnews.org/local-editions

Late Start/Early Release Days (February)
February 26

District Pride, Community Wide T-shirt and Sticker Sale
Hey Holt Public! We have a variety of District Pride, Community Wide t-shirts, stickers, and signs on sale in the Superintendent’s Office (in the North Campus). Stop by Monday-Friday between 8am-4pm.
Community Coffee Schedule
You are invited to join the Superintendent for an informational conversation regarding Holt Public and to share your thought on the following dates:

March 18 @ 9am Biggby
April 1 @ 9am Morninglory’s Café
May 4 @ 9am Biggby

HPS Kroger Community Rewards Program
Holt Public has partnered with the Kroger Community Rewards Program! By registering your card, your grocery and or gas benefits will not be impacted; however, Holt Public will start to earn money to be used to support our STEM/STEAM and Professional Development programs!
We raised nearly $14,000 so far! Thank you Holt Public! The steps to register your card are below:

➢ Simply register online at http://krogercommunityrewards.com
➢ Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with Holt Public!
➢ Enter NPO number or Holt Public Schools. Our NPO Number is: EG475.
➢ To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see Holt Public Schools on the right side of your information page.
➢ Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 877-576-7587 to get your Kroger Plus card number.
➢ Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.

Camp Invention Returns to Holt Public
Camp Invention will be held again at Hope Middle School the week of July 13-17. Visit HoltCampInvention.org to register!

Wrestling Fundraiser Scheduled
The Holt Wrestling program is raising funds for new mats and have scheduled a comedy night at Holt High School on March 14! Check out the attachment for more information and plan to join us!

2019-2020 School Calendar Preview*
The official school calendar will soon be listed on our website; however, here is a summary of our break schedule next school year! Our calendar is very similar to this school year.

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Holt Public Schools  
Child Care  
Schedule Submission Calendar 2019/2020  

Attendance schedules must be submitted according to the schedule listed below. Schedules submitted after the due date will require a $15 late fee to be paid at submission. Late schedules must be submitted with a paper schedule, as families will not have access to submit or change a schedule on-line after the submission period has ended for a particular month. In the instance a late schedule is submitted, a check or money-order will need to be submitted with the schedule. After submitting your monthly schedule and payment, additional payments for the month may be submitted on-line or by attaching a check or money-order to a weekly payment form (available from Community Education and each of the child care sites). **If you submit your schedule online, it is expected that all payments will be made on-line.**

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Attached you will find the following for your review: a D2L flyer, a Spark a young Writer flyer, a State of the Culture at Holt High flyer, a letter from the Ingham County Prosecutor, our next Monthly Memo, a youth soccer training flyer, a wrestling fundraiser flyer, and a Track and Field clothing order form. We appreciate you and hope you sincerely feel our attitude of gratitude and our district pride. Thanks for choosing Holt Public and remember to read!