



Welcome to
Kindergarten

Text Only Version

Goals for Students Entering Kindergarten

**Read and write
first name with
a capital**

**Practice with
scissors**

**Basic self-help
skills (buttons,
zippers, shoe
tying, etc.)**

**Recognize 21-52
letters**

**Recognize at
least 10
letter/sound
relationships**

**Identify and
produce
rhyming words**

**Begin to blend
and segment
words**

**Orally count to
20**

**Read and write
numbers to 10**

Kindergarten Schedule

Regular Kindergarten Days

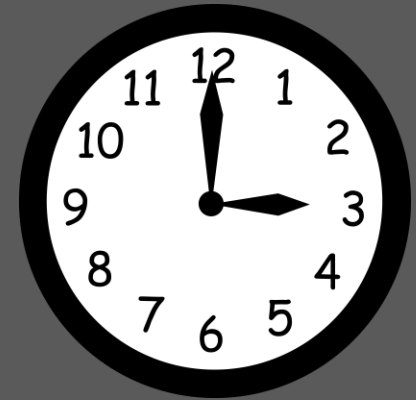
- 8:30 am - 3:35 pm

Early Dismissal Wednesdays:

- 8:30 am - 1:35 pm

Half-Day Dismissal

- 8:30 am - 12:10 pm



A Typical Kindergarten Day

8:30– 3:35 pm

Breakfast in the classroom/cafeteria

Calendar and Team Building

Ready to Read (Whole Group Literacy)

Literacy Stations/Small Group Time

- Phonemic awareness**

- Handwriting**

- Word Work**

- Reading Groups**

- Phonics**

- Writing**

- Comprehension**

- Art**

Specials (Kinetics, Music, Art, Library, Technology)

Team Time

Writing & Conventions

Comprehension

Math, Science, & Social Studies

Snack & Recess

Kindergarten Academic Expectations

Literacy

- Recognize letter/sound relationships
- Blend and segment sounds within words
- Listen to and comprehend familiar stories
 - Make connections
 - Retell
 - Predict
- Form upper- and lower-case letters correctly
- Read and Write High Frequency Words
- Read Grade Level Text
- Develop as a writer

Math

- Count orally
- Read and write numerals
- Identify basic 2-D and 3-D shapes
- Create and extend simple patterns
- Put together and take apart numbers
- Addition and subtraction concepts

Kindergarten Academic Expectations

Science

- Needs of Plants and Animals
- Pushes and Pulls
- Sunlight and Weather

Social Studies/Health

- Me and My World
- Making Decisions
- Learning about the Past
- Using the Environment
- Introducing Economics
- Social/Emotional
- Nutrition & Physical Activity
- Safety, Tobacco, and Other Drugs
- Personal Wellness

Kindergarten Homework Expectations

Family Times

Decodable Books

Take Home Reading

Math Home Links

Kindergarten Online Enrollment Procedures

- ▣ *Your child must be a resident of Holt Public Schools and 5 years old on or before 12/1/24 to enroll in 2024-2025 Kindergarten.*
- ▣ **Visit Holt Public Schools' website at www.hpsk12.net, click on [Enrollment](#), then click on the [2024-2025 School Year banner](#) to start the process. Details and instructions for enrollment will be found on the [New Student Registration](#) page.**
- ▣ Once you have submitted an enrollment you no longer have access to revisit the file to make updates.
- ▣ If there are problems with any of the information you have submitted during enrollment, you will be contact via email or phone call for resolution.

Kindergarten Online Enrollment Procedures

- No follow up calls or appointments are necessary. The Curriculum/Enrollment office will not have classroom or teacher assignment information.
- Once the student enrollment has been finalized you will receive notification from the assigned school with additional information prior to or soon after the beginning of Fall classes.
- If you have questions regarding enrollment, you may utilize the Contact Us feature on the District website homepage. You leave a message at 517.699.1103 or 517.694.5730 as well. Inquiries will be addressed as quickly as possible. *Please Note:* The PowerSchool Enrollment site does not play nice with cell phones so please use alternative hardware when completing an enrollment profile, if possible.

Enrollment For 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Required Documents for Enrollment

- ✓ Birth Certificate – State Issued Document, not the hospital certificate with the footprints.
 - ✓ 2 DIFFERENT current Proof of Residency, e.g., a lease, utility bill, doctor bill, mortgage statement, etc.
 - ✓ Your ID – Photo side of your Driver's License or Passport
 - ✓ Immunizations Record
 - ✓ Hearing, Vision, and Dental Screening – for any Kindergarten or 1st grade student.
 - ✓ Contact the Health Dept for more information regarding Hearing, Vision or Dental screenings at 517 877 4322.
- ▣ **Missing documents will delay completing the enrollment process.**

Universal Prekindergarten (PreK)

Transitional Kindergarten will no longer be available at the elementary buildings.

We are excited to announce five-day universal Pre-K for all children who are **4 on or before December 1, 2024**. Pre-K offers your 4-year-old engaging and developmentally appropriate ways to learn foundational math, science, and literacy skills. It also helps them develop social and emotional skills in a place where all children can learn and grow together. Pre-K will be five full days a week. Transportation and lunch are provided.

Click the link to register or visit for more information www.inghampreschool.org

Midway Early Learning Center
4552 Spahr Ave, Holt 48842
517 694 3411

Midway Preschool

- ▣ Midway Early Learning Center offers Universal Preschool for ALL families with children who are age eligible.
- ▣ Children must turn 4 or 5 by December 1, 2024
- ▣ Families can apply for preschool for the 2024-25 school year online at inghampreschool.org.
- ▣ Preschool information is available by contacting Midway Early Learning Center at 517 694 3411 or visiting www.holtcommunityed.com



Holt Public Schools Transportation Department

Transportation office: (517) 699-1113

Transportation Information...

*About the bus
schedule and bus
routes...*

*Students need to be
at their assigned
stop at least 5
minutes before
scheduled pick
up. Please expect
your students up to
15 minutes before
their scheduled drop
off time.*



Transportation Information...

*About the bus stop...
Please have students
stand back from the
road while waiting
for the bus and
don't approach the
bus until it has come
to a complete stop.*



Transportation Information...

*After school, a responsible adult **must** be at the door of the bus for **hand-to-hand** transfer of students.*



Transportation Information...

*If a responsible adult is not at the door of the bus for hand-to-hand transfer, we will deliver your student to the Transportation Department at **2125 Delhi St., NE, Holt.** A parent will need to pick up their student at this location.*



Transportation Information...

*About the bus
rules...*

“The 3 Bs”

***B**ottom on the
bottom...*

***B**ack on the
back...*

***B**ackpack on the
lap.*

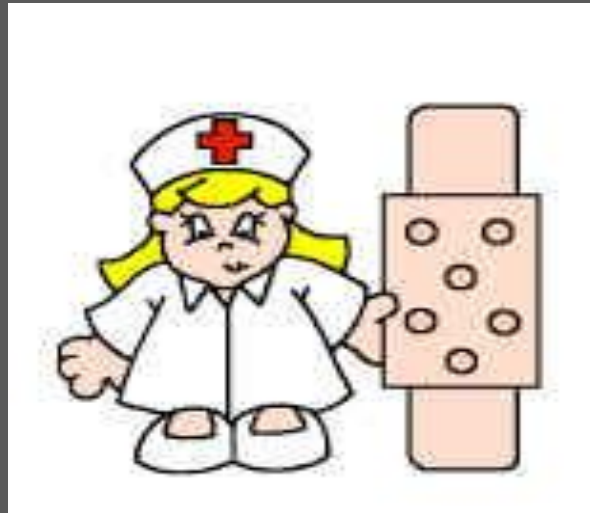


BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE

- Care is provided in every elementary building
- Program activities include homework time, arts and crafts, games, gym and recess
- Students attend care the same days each week
 - Online registration begins June 17 on our website www.holtcommunityed.com

School Nurse

School nurses visit each elementary school weekly to monitor our more severe health concerns and contacts parents.



Sleep Recommendations

- ▣ National Sleep Foundation 10-13 Hours
- ▣ Maintain a regular and consistent sleep schedule.
- ▣ Have a relaxing bedtime routine that ends in the room where the child sleeps.
- ▣ Children should sleep in the same sleeping environment every night, in a room that is cool, quiet and dark – and without a TV or any other electronics.
- ▣ Avoid caffeine

Monitoring Sleep

Signs That a Child is Getting Enough Sleep

- ▣ Can fall asleep within 15 to 30 minutes.
- ▣ Can wake up easily at the time they need to get up and don't need you to keep bugging them to get up.
- ▣ Are awake and alert all day, and don't need a nap during the day. Check with your child's teacher and make sure your child is able to stay awake and alert during school.

*Sleep problems can look like ADHD or behavior problems and can create challenges to a child's functioning throughout their school day.

At what time should your child go to bed?

	Wake-up time						
	6:00 AM	6:15 AM	6:30 AM	6:45 AM	7:00 AM	7:15 AM	7:30 AM
	Sleeping time						
Age							
5	6:45 PM	7:00 PM	7:15 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	8:00 PM	8:15 PM
6	7:00 PM	7:15 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	8:00 PM	8:15 PM	8:30 PM
7	7:15 PM	7:15 PM	7:30 PM	8:00 PM	8:15 PM	8:30 PM	8:45 PM
8	19:30	7:30 PM	8:00 PM	8:15 PM	8:30 PM	8:45 PM	9:00 PM
9	7:30 PM	8:00 PM	8:15 PM	8:30 PM	8:45 PM	9:00 PM	9:15 PM
10	8:00 PM	8:15 PM	8:30 PM	8:45 PM	9:00 PM	9:15 PM	9:30 PM
11	8:15 PM	8:30 PM	8:45 PM	9:00 PM	9:15 PM	9:30 PM	9:45 PM
12	8:15 PM	8:30 PM	8:45 PM	9:00 PM	9:15 PM	9:30 PM	9:45 PM

I have been a school nurse for over 40 years. I can say without a doubt that sleep deprivation contributes to anxiety, depression, aggression, learning problems and poor health. Children who are tired look like they have ADD. Often they are prescribed stimulant medication which seems to help but in reality it wakes up a tired brain.



HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOOD SERVICE

Kindergarten Round-Up 2024

Food Service Director: Evan Robertson
foodservice@hpsk12.net

Meal Service

- ▣ Breakfast
 - Breakfast in the classroom at all elementary schools
 - All students receive one Breakfast and one Lunch daily at no charge



Meal Service - cont.



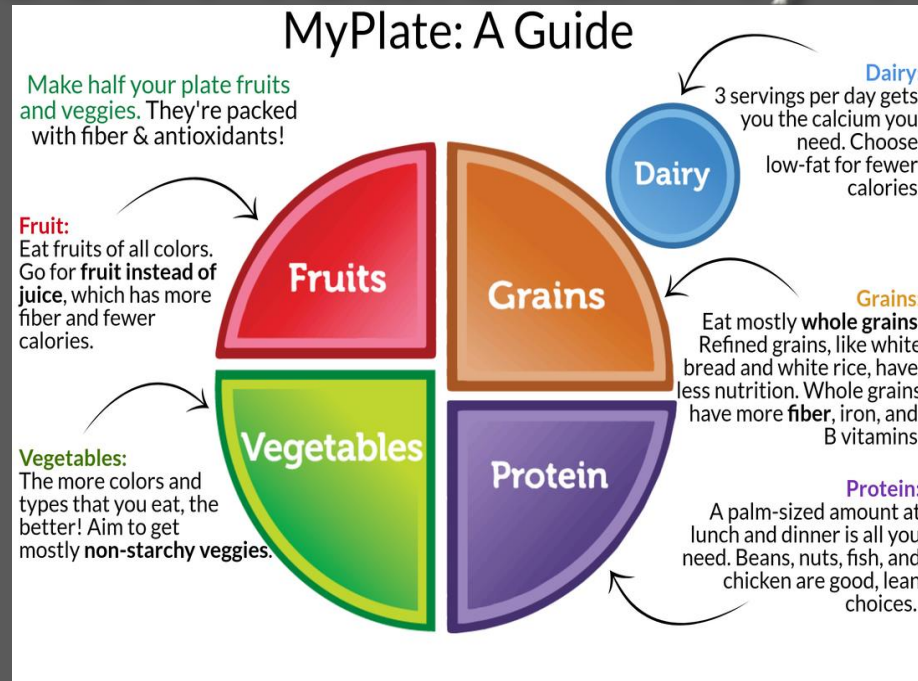
▣ Lunch

- Served in the cafeteria or multipurpose room
 - ▣ Lunch times are determined by each building principal

▣ Students are **REQUIRED** to take a ½ cup of Fruit or Vegetable

This is a Federal Requirement of the meal program

School Meals & My Plate



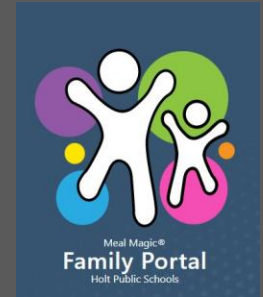
☐ Breakfast

- ☐ Students **MUST** take the entrée and a fruit, they can refuse the Milk

☐ Lunch

- ☐ Students **MUST** take the entrée and a half cup of fruit or veggie, they can refuse the Milk

Parent Portal & Point of Sale



- ❑ HPS uses Meal Magic (MM) for our Food Service POS
- ❑ Meal Magic is a debit system
- ❑ Each student is given a unique pin number to make purchase (same pin up to graduation)
- ❑ Parents can view your student's accounts & balance plus purchases through the *MM Family Portal* (you will need to register for this service)
- ❑ Payments can also be made with cash/check/online with E-Funds via *MM Family Portal*
- ❑ Fee associated with online payment

Education Benefit & Summer EBT

formerly (Free & Reduced Meals)



- ▣ Your student may qualify for free or reduced-priced meals based on one of the following: income eligibility, food assistance program, foster child, homeless referral, and Medicaid (only certain types)
- ▣ Apply online via *MM Family Portal* (After July 15th)
- ▣ Paper Applications are available by request



Allergies

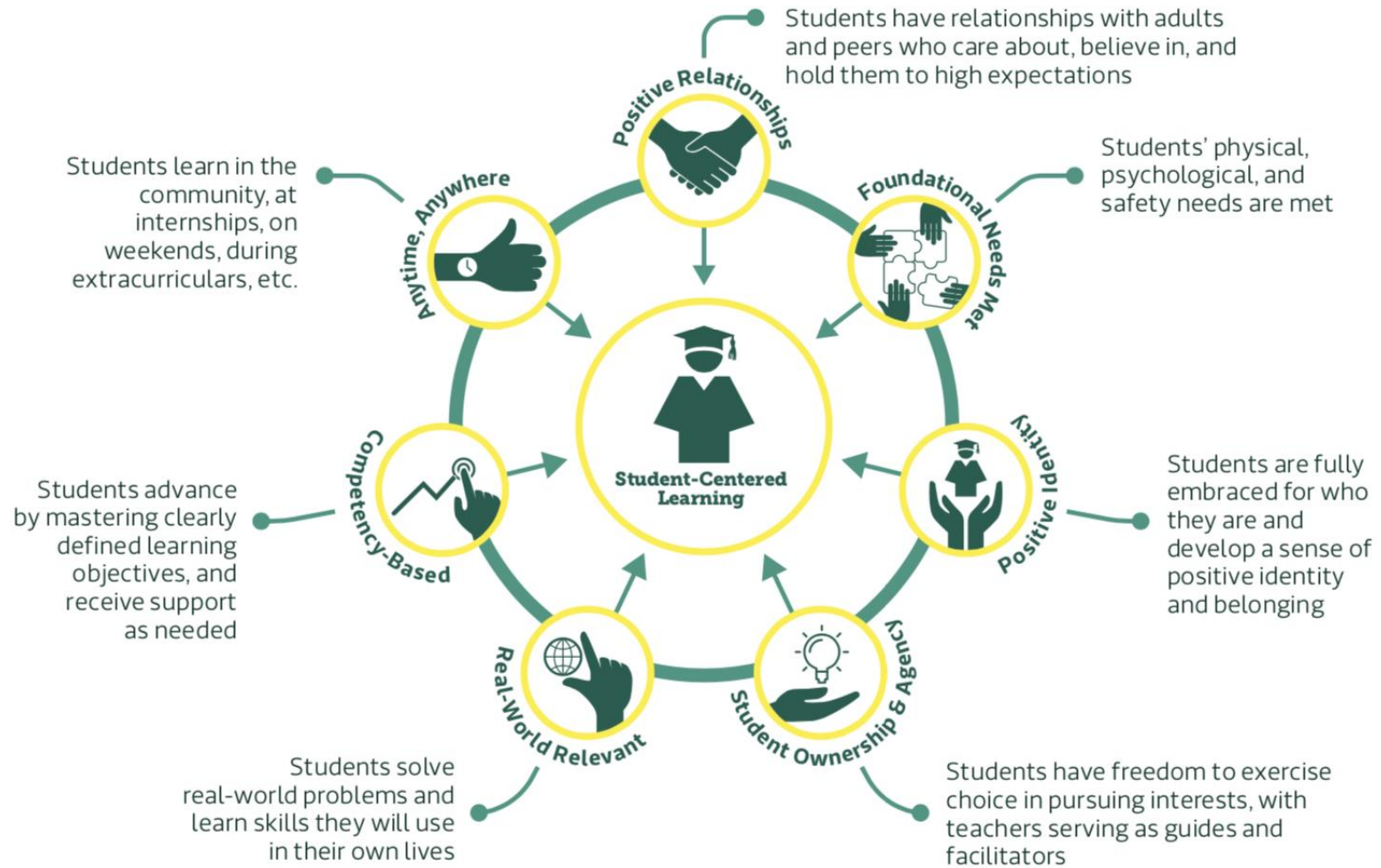


- ▣ Substitutions will be provided for children unable to eat certain foods due to a disability or a life-threatening condition as certified by a licensed medical doctor
- ▣ This does not include food preferences and religious practices
- ▣ We will make every effort to accommodate all our student's needs

Security at Our Schools

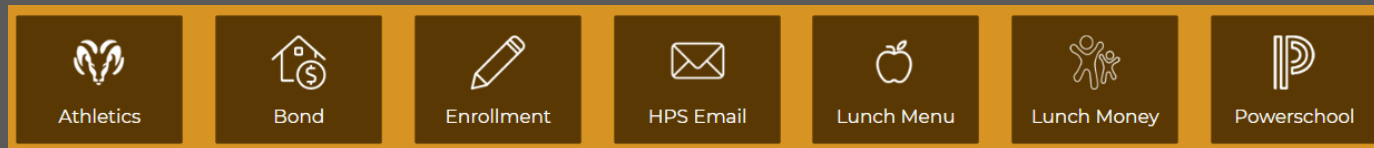
- ▣ Enter near office door #1
- ▣ Press buzzer for admittance during the school day
- ▣ Please refrain from cell phone use and remove hats/sunglasses
- ▣ Sign in and get badge if entering the building, for example, volunteering in a classroom.
- ▣ Wait outside before and after school to pick up or drop off your child

Focus on Equity: A Student-Centered System



PowerSchool Parent Portal

- New parent accounts are created in the building where your child attends
- Link via a button on the District [website](#)

A screenshot of the PowerSchool SIS login page. The header is blue with the PowerSchool SIS logo. Below the header, the text 'Student and Parent Sign In' is displayed. There are two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. Below the 'Password' field is a link that says 'Forgot Username or Password?'. At the bottom right is a blue 'Sign In' button.

Username = email address on file with HPS

Password = what you changed it to after initial log in

Can't remember password -
click on the "Forgot
Username or Password" link

Odds and Ends

✓ Read, Read, Read – 20 minutes a day

✓ Elliott: 517.699.2106

✓ Horizon: 517.694.4224

✓ Dimondale: 517.694.6411

✓ Sycamore: 517.699.2185

✓ Wilcox: 517.699.0249