

HOLMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

LUCY N. HOLMAN SCHOOL

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS

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2021-2022

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- Grades 3-5 - September 21
- Grades PK-2 - September 28

Back to School Night Times

There will be two (2) informational sessions in each classroom to meet the needs of families with more than one child:

- Session I: 7:00 - 7:25
- Session II: 7:30 – 7:55 (this session is for families with more than one child in either PK-2 or 3-5)

If you are unable to or do not wish to attend the in-person sessions, your child's teacher will also post a video or an informational presentation (slideshow) on their classroom website and/or Google Classroom page.

Good Evening Holman Families,

I want to welcome you to Holman's Back to School Night. Once again, these unprecedented times call for different procedures and routines. Tonight's event is no exception.

It is with great excitement that I welcome you back to the 2021-22 school year! I would like to extend a special welcome to all of the new families joining Holman this year and welcome back all of our returning families as well!

Our goals at Holman are to work together to provide our students with a safe and rich learning environment that allows them to flourish and begin to close many of the achievement gaps that may have occurred throughout the pandemic. My hope is that all children will, once again, love school and nurture a learning environment that is positive, safe, warm, and caring, as well as a fun place to learn and grow.

Student success is attributed to the partnership and relationships we build within our community and this is still as important as ever. Education is a joint venture and we greatly appreciate the support you provide for your children at home and at school to help them meet their learning goals.

As you know, information regarding COVID protocols is constantly changing. We must always be prepared to change instructionally at a moment's notice. If that is necessary, we are prepared to provide structured, interactive and robust instruction. The Jackson School District's 1-to-1 Chromebook initiative has provided the opportunity for every student in grades PK-12 to have their own Chromebook for at-home and in-school use. Please understand that this device is not a toy, but a powerful learning tool which helps to guide instruction and builds conceptual understanding in literacy and mathematics. Students in grades 1-5 are familiar with the Chromebook and have used it regularly in their instruction.

Good Evening Holman Families,

As a school, we provide Chromebooks and other resources to make certain that students have the tools to assist them at home. As parents, you also want to ensure that you are doing everything you can to help your child succeed. Identify a special learning space in your house for your child where they are not distracted and will be encouraged to learn. If you have not had the opportunity to pick up your child's individual Chromebook, please call the Main Office at your earliest convenience to schedule a time to do so. Together we can continue our partnership towards your child's academic success.

We thank you, our Holman families, in partnership with HOPE (our Parent Teacher Network), for your continuous support to all of our fundraisers which enable us to purchase resources for our Holman children.

I would like to ask you to take time to review the following slides that contain important reminders and information.

Safety

- Facial covering is required by all students ***at all times (even on the bus).***
- Though it may be hard during times of transition, such as arrival and dismissal, students should try to practice social distancing.
- Students must stay in their assigned seats while *riding the bus, during class, and lunchtime.*

Food Service – Breakfast & Lunch

An announcement was made by the USDA this year regarding school meals:

- **IMPORTANT:** Pursuant to USDA Guidelines, **ALL** Jackson School District students are now eligible for **FREE** breakfast and lunch. If you wish not to participate, please instruct your child(ren) not to order the meals.
- What does that mean for you?
 - *If you want your child to bring in their own meal to eat during their scheduled lunch you may do so. If you would like your child to choose the hot/cold lunch option, they simply have to ask for it during homeroom. These orders will be filled by the food services staff and bagged/container lunches will be distributed to students during their lunch period. Students do not have to swipe into their account because meals are free of charge.*

Technology

What if I have an issue with technology and need assistance with the Parent Portal or Login?

- **TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE:**
 - Please be sure to use the correct support contact for the type of issue you are experiencing. We kindly ask for your patience as we handle each request. We are moving as quickly as we can and we are eager to make sure every student can access the technology they need.
 - ***Parent Portal:***
 - If you have an issue with your portal login, please email portalsupport@jacksonsd.org
 - ***Chromebooks, Student Google Login ID and Passwords:***
 - If you have an issue with your child's Chromebook or with his or her Google login credentials, please contact the main office @ (732) 833-4620.
- If your Chromebook is **broken** or **damaged**, please contact the main office @ (732) 833-4620. For all other issues regarding passwords and logins, please use the request form above...please do not contact the main office.

Technology

I'm having an issue with an application, logging into my child's Google Classroom, or logging into Pearson Math. I need help. Are there any video tutorials to assist me?

- You've come to the right place. Here are some videos to assist with logging into Google Classroom. In fact, these videos were created by our own Kindergarten teachers at Holman.
 - [How to Log Into Google Classroom](#)
 - [Google Classroom Login](#)
 - [How to Open Assignments and Add Work in Google Classroom](#)
 - [Pearson Login \(Math\)](#)
- Click on the link below for a ton of helpful tutorials for all types of applications in Google and beyond. This amazing chart was created by a teacher at McAuliffe Middle School.
 - [Chart of Various Tutorials](#)

Dismissal

- There are **three** choices for end of the day student dismissal. Students may take the bus, be picked up at the walker dismissal site, or be picked up in the car line. Parents choosing the car line dismissal must fill out paperwork and pick up their child(ren) everyday on the car line.
- *Parents who ignore this procedure and try to pick up their child(ren) in the main lobby at the end of the day on a consistent basis will kindly be asked to choose an alternative dismissal option.*
- Thank you in advance for your support in our efforts to improve the safety and well being of our students and staff members.
- If you are using the CAR LINE as your primary form of dismissal, you will need to fill out this form. Your child must bring this in on the first day that he/she sees his/her teacher.

Holman Elementary School Ways to Stay Connected

Parentlink

Our primary method of communicating information to you. Messages are broadcast through telephone messages. If you receive a phone from the school/district, and decide to pick up, please make sure that you say, “HELLO”, to activate the message.

Portal

This is the way to access your child’s grades and report cards.



E-Backpack

This is one of the main ways that the school communicates our parent-teacher organization events and sign-ups for various activities, fundraisers, and purchases during the school year.

District website, School website, teacher class pages

Make sure to view these weekly to stay updated with school functions.

Holman Organization of Parents and Educators (H.O.P.E.)

2021-2022 Board

President: Melissa Gregory

Vice President: Melissa Johnson

Treasurer: Chris LaBau

Corresponding Secretary: Terri Vedutis

Co- Recording Secretary: Agnes Forman and Kelly Glenn

We encourage and welcome all new ideas, and recognize the commitment of individuals to support H.O.P.E. sponsored events. H.O.P.E. typically offers several events throughout the school year as well as gives back to the school in several ways such as providing funds for class trips, teacher appreciation meals, planners and “book” bags, assemblies, student supplies and more!

Upcoming Fundraisers

- H.O.P.E. Memberships, Spirit Wear, Holman Mugs, Holman Ornaments, Holman Magnets and Holman Masks and Lanyards are for sale in the APR, during BTSN, along with Pencil Grams that we will deliver to your child's classroom. Please make sure to stop in the APR before heading home!

-Holman Spirit Wear will be available for sale until September 30th along with Holman Spirit Socks. Both are available online only and the link to order can be found on our webpage, Facebook page and our September H.O.P.E. Highlights.

-The Fall Scholastic Book Fair will be held in school the week of October 4th. Teachers will inform their class of when they will be attending the Fair.

-The Route 9 Community Discount Card is a discount card program designed to support our organization as well as local businesses. Route 9 cards did go home with all students the week of September 13th. If you would like to purchase a discount card, please make sure to send in cash or check payable to H.O.P.E. If you do not wish to purchase the Route 9 Card, please send the card back to school with your child by September 30th.

-Mike's Crumb Cake Fundraiser will begin October 4th!

- Save the Date! Trunk or Treat will be held October 28th in the Holman Parking Lot!

Visit our H.O.P.E. Webpage (under Parents & Students on the Holman main webpage) for more information on all our current Fundraisers!

How to “Stay in the Know”



Become a H.O.P.E. Member! All H.O.P.E. Memberships go directly back to the students and becoming a member allows you the opportunity to chair one of our events, have voting privileges and participate in monthly meetings. Visit my.cheddarup.com/c/hope-2021-2022-membership to join!



Bookmark our webpage by visiting the Holman Home Page at www.jacksonsd.org/holman
Click “For Parents & Students” and then click “H.O.P.E”.



Like us on Facebook to get reminders and information on school events, fundraisers, Spirit Day and More! Join by searching **HOPE Parent Reminders** in the Facebook app or by visiting www.facebook.com/groups/HOPEparentreminders



Download the Band App on your phone and search for **Holman Elementary HOPE** to receive text reminders and information!



Email us at hope@jacksonsd.org

A Special Message to our Holman Families

It is an honor to be the proud Principal of the Holman Elementary School.

We will do whatever it takes to ensure our students', staff members' and communities' health and safety are of the utmost importance during this upcoming school year.

Before leaving at Back to School Night, if you are attending in-person, don't forget to stop by the APR and browse all of the wonderful merchandise and spiritwear that HOPE is selling.

Enjoy meeting your child's teacher (if you are in-person) and listening to what's in store for your child's school year. *Take care and be safe!*

Sincerely,

Rich Karas
Principal, Holman Elementary School