# HOLLAND TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

"The beginning is the most important part of the work." - Plato

Beginning each school year with a well thought out plan, enthusiasm and a willingness to grow and change will set each and everyone one of us on a path for success. We are excited to begin the 2022-23 school year, knowing that we have a plan to create experiences which will lead each of our children to their own path for success.

We will open on Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> with a renewed energy and excitement for what is to come. We will continue to practice habits and protocols to keep students and staff safe, and will continue to make decisions to ensure the bar is continually surpassed.

Arrival will begin each day for students in grades K-8 at 7:50 am and dismissal will be at 2:25 pm. Both arrival and dismissal procedures will remain the same as last year. They can be viewed here: Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

We will no longer require parents to complete the daily health screener, however, parents are required to contact the Health Office if their child is exhibiting any of the following symptoms:

 Fever or chills, Cough, Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle or body aches, Headache, New loss of taste or smell, Sore throat, Congestion or runny nose, Nausea or vomiting, Diarrhea

Children experiencing any of the above symptoms should be kept at home until symptom free for 24 hours. Staff and students testing positive for COVID-19 will need to quarantine for a mandatory five (5) days. Positive individuals can return to school on day six (6) with mandatory masking through day ten (10).

Face coverings will be optional this school year. We will continue to practice daily sanitation and proper hand washing as in the past. We will no longer be reporting COVID cases weekly.

#### Preschool times will be:

- Full Day- 8:30am- 2:25pm
- Half Day AM- 8:30am- 11:00pm
- Half Day PM- 11:55am- 2:25pm

The Genesis portal for yearly forms, transportation information (sent from DVRHS through US Mail) and student schedules will open on August 19<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to log in to complete the yearly forms. Parent Genesis Login

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Student supply lists can be found on the district website. School Supply Lists

Back to School Night will be held on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Parents will be able to meet with their child/children's teachers to discuss expectations and schedules during the presentations this evening. The schedule for this event will be sent separately.

School communication will follow this schedule:

#### Tuesday

- Information about School Programs
- Principal Communication

## Wednesdays

• Community shout outs

## Fridays

- Superintendent
- Board of Education communication

The USDA has discontinued the free lunch program for all students. School lunch price for this school year will be \$2.95. Our "lunch extras" program will be reinstated and students will have the opportunity to buy snacks for an additional fee. For assistance with school lunch prices, please complete the Free and Reduced Lunch Program paperwork: Free and Reduced Lunch Application

Finally, as we continue to transition from the tight protocols forced by the COVID-19 pandemic, we would like input as to the climate and culture of our district. We would like families to complete this survey to help guide us to implement programs to support our students and staff. School Climate Survey- Parents The survey will remain open until September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Please take the time in the next weeks to enjoy family and friends, and the peace that summer evenings bring.

We are excited to see our smiling faces on Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Snyder Superintendent

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