



Holton Public Schools

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April 19, 2020

Dear Holton Families:

As I shared last week, the potential for a transition to remote learning was being considered by the district due to the rising surge of COVID-19 cases and the impact this is having on the district's daily struggle with staffing due to the growing number of students and staff impacted by quarantine and illness. For these reasons, **Holton Public Schools will be transitioning to remote learning beginning Tuesday, April 20.** Remote learning will start on the following dates:

Grades	Remote Learning Start Date	Return Date
High School - 9-12	April 20, 2021	April 26, 2021
Middle School - 6-8	April 20, 2021	April 26, 2021
Elementary - K-5	April 20, 2021	April 26, 2021
Preschool	Determined by WLACE	Determined by WLACE

Students without internet connectivity, requiring special education support, or needing mental health services will be able to access the buildings. For flex and virtual students, you will continue to learn remotely through the Edmentum platform. Elementary students will be provided a Chromebook at the end of the day today. For all other students, your teachers will be adhering to the following daily schedule:

[Middle and High School Daily Schedule](#)

[Elementary Daily Schedule](#)

“Learning Labs” from 9AM - Noon Monday - Friday will be available to support students. **If your child attended the Learning Labs during Remote Learning last November, we are planning for them to attend this week.** If you would like to sign your child up for a Learning Lab this week, please contact the building office. More information about this is coming from building principals.

Here is what you can expect for remote learning.

- All MSTEP testing this week is postponed and will be scheduled at a later date.
- Students without technology access will be provided learning lab access in the buildings. Transportation will be provided. Numbers in these spaces will be limited and a staff member will supervise the learning lab.
- Elementary students without a computer at home will be provided a Chromebook.



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- The elementary parking lot and Third Street high school parking lot are equipped with WiFi signals allowing for students to access the internet from those parking lots.
- Meals will be provided to all students. If you signed up before, you do not need to sign up again. You must complete the form to start to receive meals. Complete the [Remote Learning Meal Request Form](#) ASAP if you have not done so before.
- Students will be provided virtual support from our mental health staff.
- All school staff are a phone call, email, or virtual meeting away to help you or your child during this time of remote learning.
- School sports may continue following the Rapid Antigen Testing Program as required by the MHSAA and MDHHS orders.
- In-person extra-curricular activities may continue with participation in our Rapid Testing Program.
- Students requiring intervention, assistance, or other help will be able to schedule times to come into the building and receive support.

We expect to return to in person school on April 26 as many of our students and staff can return from isolation or quarantine. This decision is based on the recommendation from Public Health - Muskegon County. Our primary focus is to keep our students and staff healthy and safe. Please continue to take the necessary precautions including wearing a mask, maintaining social distance, washing your hands, and getting vaccinated if you are able.

These continue to be challenging times. Please lift each other up and support one another. We are stronger together.

Respectfully,

Dr. Adam Bayne
Superintendent