



# HOLLAND ISD NEWSLETTER



DECEMBER 2025



Jennisty Thomason  
Superintendent



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## From the Superintendent

Dear Holland ISD Families,

As we reach the halfway point of the school year, I want to take a moment to congratulate our students, staff, and families on a successful first half of the year. Your continued partnership and support play a vital role in the education and growth of our students, and we truly appreciate the trust you place in us each day.

This time of year is always a busy one filled with learning, activities, performances, and celebrations, yet it also offers a special opportunity to pause and reflect. I hope the upcoming Christmas break provides your family with time to rest, recharge, and enjoy being together.

I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We look forward to welcoming our students back refreshed and ready for a strong second half of the school year.



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Holland ISD





# FOOTBALL UPDATE



**HUNTER MARIANTE**



**1ST TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
RECEIVER**



**CHANCE HARVEY**



**1ST TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
RUNNING BACK**



**AIDAN DALEY**



**1ST TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
SAFETY**



**MASON CHANEY**



**1ST TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
LINEBACKER**



**ANDREW COSPER**



**2ND TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
DEFENSIVE BACK**



**COLIN HALL**



**2ND TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
DEFENSIVE END**



**DEREK BUSBY**



**1ST TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
TACKLE**



**JACK CHAFIN**



**1ST TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
DEFENSIVE END**



**TYLER JENNINGS**



**2ND TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
CENTER**



**GUNNER CAMDEN**



**2ND TEAM  
ALL-DISTRICT  
TACKLE**







# FOOTBALL UPDATE



## GAVAN BRUMMETT



HONORABLE MENTION  
ALL-DISTRICT  
QUARTERBACK



## LOGAN GOMMERT



HONORABLE MENTION  
ALL-DISTRICT  
DEFENSIVE BACK



## LANDON LALLA



HONORABLE MENTION  
ALL-DISTRICT  
DEFENSIVE BACK



## ANDREW BYNUM



HONORABLE MENTION  
ALL-DISTRICT  
GUARD



## KENJI JESKE



HONORABLE MENTION  
ALL-DISTRICT  
GUARD



## CHRISTIAN GARCIA



HONORABLE MENTION  
ALL-DISTRICT  
DEFENSIVE LINE



## ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT



GAVAN BRUMMETT  
HUNTER MARIANTE  
CHANCE HARVEY  
AIDEN DALEY  
LANDON LALLA  
ANDREW COSPER  
ANDREW PEREZ  
KEVIN ROHAN  
JACK CHAFFIN

MASON CHANEY  
COLIN HALL  
RUEBEN ROBERTSON  
GARRISON PRCIN  
TYLER JENNINGS  
KENJI JESKE  
CHRISTIAN GARCIA  
DEREK BUSBY





# VOLLEYBALL UPDATE



HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**SENIOR**

#6

1<sup>st</sup> Team All-District  
Academic All-District

MICAH CARTER

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**JUNIOR**

#9

1<sup>st</sup> Team All-District  
Academic All-District

BRENLEY KELSO

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**FRESHMAN**

#2

Newcomer of the Year  
Academic All-District

REESE ARNOLD

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**JUNIOR**

#11

2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-District  
Academic All-District

ABBY COFFMAN

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**SENIOR**

#7

Hon. Men. All-District  
Academic All-District

LEXI KURTZ

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**JUNIOR**

#8

Hon. Men. All-District  
Academic All-District

AUBREE WALKER

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**SOPHOMORE**

#3

Hon. Men. All-District  
Academic All-District

MOLLEY TAISLER

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**SENIOR**

#4

Academic All-District

BETHANY HART

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**SOPHOMORE**

#5

Academic All-District

LILY JOHNSON

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**JUNIOR**

#1

Academic All-District

JAIDEN CARGILL

HOLLAND LADY HORNETS 2025

**SOPHOMORE**

#12

Academic All-District

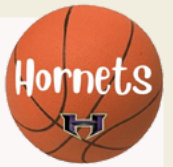
AVRI WELLS







# ATHLETICS UPDATE

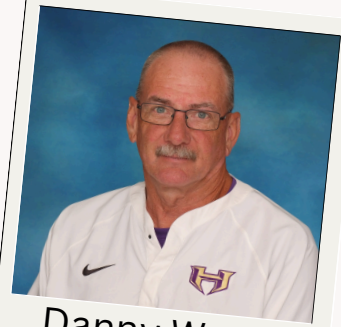


## BOYS BASKETBALL

The boys varsity is currently battling through some injuries however we are improving with every game. We are looking forward to being at full strength once district play starts in January.

[HS Boys Basketball Schedule](#)

[MS Boys Basketball Schedule](#)



**Danny Wood**  
Head Boys Basketball Coach



**Megan Gersbach**  
Head Girls Basketball Coach



## GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Holland Lady Hornet basketball team has already shown growth and improvement in their young season. We are looking forward to starting the new year strong in district. Come out and support your Lady Hornets!

[HS Girls Basketball Schedule](#)

[MS Girls Basketball Schedule](#)







# BAND UPDATE



The Holland Band had a great showing at the UIL Area D Marching Contest and finished marching season strong. From there we've been preparing for the numerous Christmas concerts where the high school band performed Christmas classics like "Sleigh Ride", "Christmas Festival", and "Santa Meets Sousa." As we finish out the semester we are beginning preparation for our UIL concert competition coming in early march as well as beginning our individual student competitions such as the CENTEX honor Band Auditions in January, and UIL Solo & Ensemble competition in February.

Here are some upcoming dates:

Monday, December 22nd: Tuba Christmas Performance at the Texas State Capital

Wednesday, January 21st: HS CENTEX Auditions @ Valley Mills HS

Friday, January 23rd: MS CENTEX Auditions @ Academy MS

Saturday, January 31st: CENTEX Clinic & Concert for students who make the CENTEX band

Saturday, February 7th: UIL Solo & Ensemble Competition @ Temple HS

Wednesday, March 4th: UIL Concert & Sightreading competition @ Cameron

## Cafeteria Information



Connie Knaus  
Food Service Director



Cafeteria website

PORTAL LINK

Jan Lunch Menu

Meal Magic is our online parent portal located on our school website under the cafeteria tab. Once accounts are created you can pay your kids lunch account, set restrictions, set emails so your notified when the account gets low and split funds between kids. It is also where our free/reduced lunch application is located.

I want to let parents know that if ANY time during the school year your household changes (new baby, loss of job, etc.) and you want to apply for the free/reduced lunch program, you can easily do so online. Just look for the logo pictured to the left.

As always if you have any questions please reach out. You can reach me at [cknaus@hollandisd.org](mailto:cknaus@hollandisd.org) or 254-657-2265.



# HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE



✉ Matt McCray  
High School Principal



Don't forget to keep up with our  
Holland High School Announcements  
by clicking on [this link](#)

It has been a busy second quarter for Holland High School. We have had students representing our campus in UIL Congress Competitions with Kimberlyn Lum advancing to the State Competition in early January, FFA LDE Competitions, Band Marching Competition and FCS Students organized Teen Safe Driving Expo held on our campus. NHS raised money by having a Car Bash in early November at the last home football game. Holland student participated in TSI-A testing on campus in November as well as interim EOC testing for Eng I, II, & Alg I. Our NHS and FCCLA organizations served the meal at the community tree lighting in early December. Band held their Christmas Concert on Monday Dec. 15th. FCA held their first two student led huddle meeting on campus in November and December with record turnout for each meeting (55+ Students for each meeting). We also had several student recognized for their performance on the PSAT by College Board.



## FFA Update

40 Holland FFA members competed at the 2025 Brushy Creek District Leadership Development Event Contest. Three teams advanced to Area level competition: Sr. Skills, Sr. Spanish Creed, and Ag Advocacy. Holland HS was on overall sweepstakes winning school. Sponsors are Marshall Miles and Ashlee Tanguay.





# MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATE

This semester has flown by, and I cannot believe that it is already time to wrap up the first semester and prepare for Christmas break. I want to thank our students, families, and staff for an outstanding first half of the school year. This semester has been filled with hard work, academic growth, and memorable moments that reflect the dedication of our school community. I am thankful for all of the parents that have supported our staff and students in so many ways; proud of our students for working hard, being kind to each other, and commitment to learning; and I am grateful to our teachers and staff for always going above and beyond for our students. As we head into the holiday season, I wish your family a joyful, restful Christmas Break and look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for an exciting new semester in the new year.



Kelly Taisler



Sierra Revels

Middle school student council bought gifts for every resident at Will-o-Bell nursing home and visited with each of them as they handed out the presents. The kids even sang Jingle Bells to the activity room that requested a song! They also bought gifts for kids in the Blue Santa program through the city of Holland.





# ELEMENTARY UPDATE



Heather Dunnam  
Elementary Principal



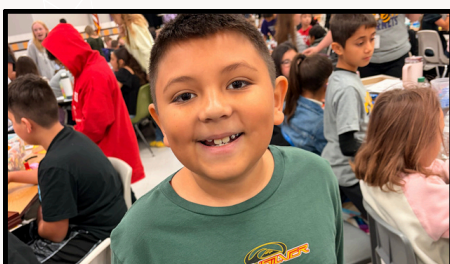
It is hard to believe we are already wrapping up the first semester of the 2025–2026 school year. Over the past nine weeks, our students and staff have been actively engaged in learning, growing, and participating in a wide variety of meaningful events and experiences.

Earlier this month, our students proudly represented Holland Elementary at the Academic UIL competition. Each participating grade level (2nd–5th) earned first place as a grade-level team, and Holland Elementary was named the overall district champion. We are incredibly proud of our students and staff for this outstanding accomplishment.

Throughout the semester, we have enjoyed many special events, including our Community Thanksgiving Lunch, Fall programs for grades 2–4, Christmas programs for PK–1, the 5th Grade Bazaar, field trips, and so much more. These opportunities reflect the dedication of our staff and the enthusiasm of our students.

Our students and staff have maintained a fast pace this semester and will conclude it feeling both tired and accomplished. We look forward to welcoming students back in January as we begin another semester of learning and growth.

Wishing everyone a happy holiday season and a joyful New Year!







# CLINIC UPDATE



NURSING



We are in the process of completing our state mandated Health screenings. Parents, if you have not submitted your Texas Senate Bill 12 consent form(s) for your child (children), please do so as soon as possible. This is in accordance with the new bill. As a parent or guardian, you have the right to consent (opt-in) or to withhold (opt-out) for all health-related and counseling services. We still have not received several of these consents from our HISD families. Please be on the lookout for any blank consent forms that are sent home to be filled out, or for messages & phone calls from our campuses, as we continue to collect these forms. If you realize you have not submitted these forms, please call your child's school campus or the school nurse.

[View Consent Form](#)

As we enter into the Winter break, we hope that you and your family have a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season and we wish you a Happy New Year!

We will have physicians here in our School Based Health Clinic. These physicians come from Baylor Scott & White on Wednesdays from 800 AM-1200 Noon when school is in session. The last appointment is at 1145. Please call the clinic (254-657-2839) to make an appointment. Self-pay only. No insurance or Medicaid will be billed. Payment due at time of service.

Please let us know if you have any questions for the school nurse. Our contact number is 254-657-2839.

For more information concerning Flu Prevention, symptoms and treatment, please click on [this link](#).

# Parent Resources & Info



## Communication is key!

We welcome any ideas, feedback, and concerns as we want our school to be a place where everyone feels safe and welcome. If you have anything you would like to share with us, [click this link](#).

If you would like to volunteer to serve on a committee, [click this link](#).

The HISD website is a great way to stay informed. We hope you will visit it often.

[Home page](#)

[Parent & Student Resources](#)

[Parent & Family Engagement Documents:](#)

HB 121 – Safe Firearm Storage Resources

[KEEP 'EM SAFE TEXAS CAMPAIGN](#)

Parent Letter: [English](#) [Spanish](#)

## Keep Your Children Safe Online

Keep your child safe online: Stay in the know

Holland ISD has partnered with Parent ProTech to help equip our parents and teachers with practical, expert-backed tools and guidance to keep kids safe and thriving in a digital-first world.

If you haven't already, sign up for a free account:

<https://app.parentprotech.com/124/holland-isd/en/signup>

Here are a few new resources your families may find helpful as we head into the holidays!

[The Truth About AI Chatbots: Helpful Tools, Not Human Friends](#) – This video for parents and students unpacks how AI chatbots work, exploring their power to help us learn and create while reminding us they can't feel or replace real human relationships.

A21 Partnership on [Spotting and Stopping Online Predators](#) – This series equips parents to recognize the red flags of online grooming, a growing threat online, and take effective action against online sexual exploitation.

[The Parent ProTech Holiday Gift Guide + Video](#) – In this guide and video, Parent ProTech gives their honest tech (and non-tech) gift recommendations that are less addictive and built with kids in mind.

## Event Feedback

Let us know how we did! If you have attended any event sponsored by the school (ex. Meet the Teacher, Fall Carnival, The Scoop, etc.) we would appreciate you filling out our [evaluation form](#) so we know what to continue doing and what we need to improve.



# Holland Athletic Booster Club

Established in 2024, the Holland Athletic Booster Club has experienced tremendous growth in its first year. As we wrap up the first half of the 2025–26 school year, we are excited about new opportunities and want to take a moment to thank each of you for your incredible support of our student-athletes and programs.

Thanks to strong partnerships and your generosity, we've accomplished some amazing things:

- Purchased a new Hornet mascot costume
- Provided guardian helmets for every high school and middle school football player
- Awarded \$2,000 in scholarships to graduating student-athletes

A special thank-you goes out to all the board members & volunteers who worked tirelessly to make our first athletic banquet at the end of the 2024/25 school year such a success!

Looking ahead, our team is committed to making the rest of the 2025–26 school year even better. We have several spring fundraisers and another athletic banquet on the horizon. Mark your calendars for one of our monthly Booster Club meetings (first Monday of each month) and join us in supporting these exciting initiatives. Be sure to follow us on Facebook @Holland Hornets Athletic Booster Club <https://www.facebook.com/share/184AVHxV1t/?mibextid=wwXlfr> Your continued support truly makes a difference! Thank you for being part of this great community. Together, we'll keep creating opportunities for our student-athletes to shine.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Johnson

President, Holland Athletic Booster Club

Jeff Ivicic Jr, Vice President

Jennifer Johnson, Secretary

Laura Cospo, Community Engagement (Interim Treasurer)

Kristen Ivicic, Social Media

Anita Tubbs, Fundraising

