

11/21/22-11/28/22

HRMS

Caregiver News and Information



This Week

This is a short week with Thanksgiving Break starting on Wednesday. School will be dismissed at 11:35 on Wednesday. We will have our PAC Turkey Trot on Tuesday, November 22nd. We are looking forward to an exciting but short week.

Thank You,
Brendan Norton
Principal

Deca Toys for Tots Dance

Two Deca students at the high school have organized a dance for our 7th and 8th grade students in order to bring in new toys for Toys for Tots. The dance will have a winter theme and the dress will be casual (the same clothes students would wear to school). The Dance will be held on December 9th from 7 to 9pm. Entrance is free with a new unopened toy. In order to get a sense of how many students will attend the dance please have your child fill out this google [form](#).

Holiday Health Resources from the Massachusetts DESE

1. The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) is providing Covid test kits for every student and staff member in our school district. We will distribute the test kits to students and staff next week. These test kits are to be used as needed over the holiday season.
2. Please see [this letter](#) to Massachusetts families with suggestions for preventing respiratory illness, which is signed jointly by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

These test kits will be handed out to students in homeroom on Tuesday, November 22nd.

Emergency Call Cards

In addition to the test kits each student will receive two cards that explain how to contact 911 using in case they are in an emergency where they are unable to talk on the phone. This information is designed to be used in emergency situations both in and out of school and will be helpful to all family members. These cards have also been distributed by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

7th Grade Backpack Survey

We are asking our 7th grade students to fill out this [survey](#) regarding backpack use during school. For the 1st Trimester we have allowed 7th grade students to carry their backpacks during the school day in order to determine if this could potentially be a good idea for the whole school. Your child's information will help us to make a final determination.

Yearbook Information

Holten Richmond Middle School is thrilled to partner with TreeRing yearbooks this school year. You can create a free account, take a look at the website, and easily purchase your copy.

<https://www.treering.com/purchase?PassCode=1016643834104458>

From the PAC

The Turkey Trot is almost here and we are so close to our goal. As of this morning we are just \$1630 away from our goal of \$15,000. If you haven't already made a contribution, please help us get over that final hump.

From Danvers Food Services

I can't believe it is already November! I am sharing the link to our [Google order form](#) for parents to pre-order a grab and go lunch for their elementary and middle school students for the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. The meal choices are a ham and cheese sandwich, or a bagel meal. Parents must submit their order by 10:00 pm on Monday 11/21.

Art Show Information

The Art Department will be collecting artwork submissions on the last Wednesday of each month, now through April 2023. Artwork can be 2D or 3D and all sizes and mediums are welcome. Work must be original and school appropriate. Artwork Information must be completed and attached to work. For the flier click [here](#).

Substitute Teaching

If you have ever been interested in being a substitute teacher or are interested in exploring teaching as a career, please consider signing up with ESS to be a sub in the district. You can follow the [link](#) to look into the opportunity.

Frequently Asked Questions/Parent & Student “How To” Guides

Ever wonder if your student needs a note to be dismissed for an appointment? Do you need to walk them in if they're coming in late? Find answers to those and other Frequently Asked Questions in our HRMS Parent & Student “How To” Guides, available on our website [here](#).

Important Dates For This Week

Tuesday November 22nd - HRMS PAC Turkey Trot Fundraiser

Wednesday November 23rd - Early dismissal 11:35 am for Thanksgiving

Important Dates Coming Up

Important dates can also be found on our HRMS calendar at <https://danverspublicschools.org/holten-richmond/calendar/> and more information on our HRMS website at <https://danverspublicschools.org/holten-richmond/>