



The Hornet

Spessard L. Holland Elementary School

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<http://www.edline.net/paaes/Holland ES>



Vision: To help all students develop skills, concepts, attitudes and values which enable them to be successful members of society.

Mission: Looking toward our children's future with challenging learning experiences that will lead to success.



CALENDAR

August 28th – Sept 1st

Book Fair

August 29th

OPEN HOUSE PreK – 6th Grade

5:00-7:00 pm

September 4th

Labor Day, Holiday for All

September 7th

PTO Meeting @8:15 am

September 12th

Picture Day

SAC Meeting @2:50 pm

September 14th

Volunteer Breakfast @8:15 am

September 15th

Fun Town Spirit Night

September 18th

PDD, No School for Students

Please join us for our annual **OPEN HOUSE**



We would like to invite you to our annual **Open House** that will take place on **Tuesday, August 29th** from **5:00-7:00 pm**. Teachers will host two sessions so that parents can visit more than one classroom. The first session will begin at 5:00 pm and the second session at 6:00 pm.

While you are here, please take the opportunity to:

- Visit the **Book Fair** in the Media Center
- Visit our **PTO table**
- Sign up to **volunteer**
- Activate your child's **Edline** account
- Purchase a **school shirt**

Open House is a wonderful opportunity to meet the classroom teacher and learn more about grade-level expectations and classroom procedures, setting the stage for great success in the 2017-18 school year. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evening!

SEVERE WEATHER: Brevard County is in the geographic area with the highest risk of lightning strikes in the US, and lightning-related casualty rates associated with outdoor sports and recreation activities are on the rise. All Brevard Public Schools follow emergency procedures and guidelines in the event of severe weather. Understanding that the weather changes very quickly, often times **lightning dismissal is not called until the last minute**. In these times of severe weather, *dismissal may be suspended* until it is safe to release students. When technology systems are working properly, an email/text message is sent through our Blackboard Connect Program. Your patience is appreciated during the wait time before your child can be released. We will always err on the side of safety and teachers will dismiss children when conditions improve. Once again, thank you for your cooperation.

SCHOOL NEWS

Please join us for our annual

VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST

Thursday, September 14th
8:15 am



We welcome all parents and volunteers to join us for a complimentary breakfast in our school cafeteria on **Thursday, September 14th at 8:15 am**. Whether you have supported Holland Elementary as a volunteer for many years or you are a first-time volunteer, we welcome you to come and learn about the many ways you can get involved and support the Holland Elementary School community.

We look forward to seeing you there!

SAVEAROUND COUPON BOOKS

The 2017-18 SaveAround coupon books are being sent home with students today! They are filled with hundreds of discounts, coupons, and deals. For every five books you sell, you will receive one book FREE! **Please return order forms to the school by September 6, 2017.** As a reminder, for safety reasons, students should not go door to door to sell coupon books. Thank you for supporting Holland Elementary School and the local businesses represented in this year's coupon book.

Join us in the Media Center for our

BOOK FAIR

August 28th – September 1st

CAFETERIA NEWS



Let's start with a great breakfast! What a way to "fuel the mind"! Breakfast is **FREE** to Brevard students. Parents may also join their children for just \$1.60. Another exciting happening this year is on the third Tuesday of the month we will have **Try It Tuesday!** This will be a different fruit or vegetable to sample. Parents are welcome to join in the sampling and are always welcome to eat lunch with their children. Lunch for adults is \$3.10.

In accordance with Brevard Public Schools' Guidelines, if you would like to join your child for lunch, you are welcome to sit *with your child only* at our parent table.

Each year, a new application must be completed for the free or reduced lunch program. Applications can be accessed at <https://mealapps.brevard.k12.fl.us/LiquidOffice/lfserver/FR> **A EFORM** and should be completed by September 25th.

WELCOME To The Team

Please join us in welcoming new staff members to Team Holland!

- ♥ Leah Breder, Third Grade
- ♥ Brandi Hamlin/Deane Flanigan, Guidance
- ♥ Gina Hering, 1st Grade
- ♥ Angela Grandinetti/Stephanie Mumme, 1st Grade
- ♥ Suzanne Jasper-DeMarco, Primary Multi-Grade
- ♥ Linda Albertson, BAS Group Leader

We want to congratulate our former guidance counselor, Mr. Culbreth, on his decision to go back to his passion of teaching. He has joined the 2nd grade team! We also congratulate Ms. Biscardi on joining our 3rd grade team.

SCHOOL NEWS



Principal's Message

Dear Holland Families,

We have had a wonderful start to the year and are thrilled to have all of our Hornets back at school! It has been a great pleasure welcoming back our returning students and families, and getting to know our new ones. Holland continues to grow this year and our current enrollment is at 486 students, up from 460 at this time last year. We are delighted that your child is part of that number and a precious member of the Holland Family.

This year, we have published a school calendar to assist with communication of important dates and events. This calendar was sent home with students on the first day of school. Any changes to published dates will be advertised and listed on our school website at http://www.edline.net/pages/Holland_ES. We hope that you will join us for **Open House** next **Tuesday, August 29th** from **5:00-7:00 pm**. This is an invaluable opportunity to hear information regarding teaching and learning practices in your child's classroom.

It continues to be my great honor and privilege to serve the Holland Elementary School community. I look forward to working with you and your children to support their continued academic, social, and emotional growth. Thank you for partnering with all of Holland's stakeholders for a phenomenal 2017-18 school year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Alison

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

Thank you for your patience and cooperation with our arrival and dismissal procedures! **ARRIVAL:** Students who arrive between 7:30 and 7:50 am will join us in the cafeteria where they can enjoy free breakfast and wait with their grade-level peers for the 7:50 bell to ring. Students who arrive between 7:50 and 8:00 am can enter through the front office. As our district moves toward providing single points of entry at each BPS school, entry points during arrival will be the door near the bike rack for walkers and bikers, the cafeteria for car riders, and the front office for families obtaining visitor badges.

DISMISSAL: At the end of the school day, walkers and bikers in all grades will be escorted by teachers to the bike rack for dismissal. Car riders in kindergarten and first grades will dismiss from the school cafeteria, and all other grades will dismiss from along the front sidewalk. Students with siblings will wait with the youngest sibling. As reflected in our recent email message, please see below for guidelines that will continue to assist with student safety and the flow of traffic:

1. Dismissal begins at 2:30 pm. Please do not arrive prior to that time. This will help keep cars from blocking the flow of traffic on Jackson Avenue.
2. Keep the walkways clear by not stopping on the sidewalk that crosses Holland Court.
3. Have your car-line tag visible in your windshield.
4. Pull your vehicle all the way to the furthest cone/station before stopping to load your child.
5. Students should load and unload vehicles from the passenger side only.
6. Be aware of students and families walking and/or riding bicycles as you enter and exit the campus.
7. When the road becomes two lanes on Holland Court, please remain in the right lane to allow for the entry of any emergency vehicles, should the need arise. Cars should not be stopped in the left lane as it is for passing only.
8. Please use our crosswalk to cross from the parking area to the front of the school.

For security purposes, this is a reminder that students can only be dismissed to vehicles in the car line. Please refrain from approaching the car loop or cafeteria on foot. Staff members are supervising students and are unable to safely verify the identification of adults approaching our children in the loop.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation as we keep all students safe during arrival and dismissal!

