

Jefferson Elementary Community School News February 2022



Mobile Food Pantry

- Monday February 14
- Holland High School Parking Lot 1 (behind the school, off of 24th St.)
- Drive-thru service only!
- No ID needed

Free COVID-19 Testing Kits

- Starting January 19, households can begin ordering at-home COVID-19 test kits
- Community members may order one package of four tests per household
- A name, home address and zip code are required
- An email can be used to track the package
- Tests can be ordered at: nachw.org/covid-test-kit-order-form.

Mid-Winter Break

There will be no school from February 25 through February 28 for Mid Winter Break.

Contact your OCSN Community School Coordinator

Caity DeBoard
cdeboard@hollandpublicschools.org
616-494-2506

City of Holland Community Development Input

The City of Holland is seeking
YOUR input!

Background:

The City of Holland receives funding every year to develop communities that offer decent, affordable housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities. The funds must be put toward assisting low- and moderate-income households, eliminating or preventing slums or blight, or responding to an urgent need.

How you can help:

Take this online survey before February 9th, 2022:
<https://tinyurl.com/msahjh3z>

Why is this important:

Your voice matters! Change in the community in which you live, work, serve, or worship can't happen without you! Let the City of Holland know what matters most to you, your family, and those you care about.

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Events and Resources

Winter Clothing

We have winter coats, hats, & mittens on hand for students who need them. Please let your teacher know if your student is in need!

Read Ottawa

Read Ottawa's mission is to provide adults who live in or near Ottawa County with an opportunity to improve and transform their lives by strengthening their reading and language fluency. If you are interested, please contact Read Ottawa at info@readottawa.org or call at **616-843-1470**

November / December Attendance Incentive Results

- Valk, Van Dyke, Mishoe, VandeVusse, Heinritz and Maat's classes had the best attendance this month!
- Each class won a treat bag with hot cocoa and marshmallows!
- For January, our students are competing for a pizza party in their classroom!

Attendance Fact

Research shows that missing 10 percent of school days, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. Showing up to school is important!

Community Action House Food Club

- Food Club is a membership-based grocery store that provides choice, flexibility, and access to healthy foods along with membership perks and support at the Opportunity Hub.
- The Food Club invites qualifying low-income residents to take ownership and contribute at a level based on their income, offering a highly affordable way for members to invest in their family's health and future. For a small monthly fee, members get points based on household size to spend as they wish throughout the month.
- Hours are:
 - Monday ▪ 9am-4pm
 - Tuesday ▪ 1pm-7pm
 - Wednesday ▪ 10am-2pm
 - Thursday ▪ 1pm-7pm
 - Friday ▪ 9am-4pm
 - Saturday ▪ 9am-4pm
 - Sunday ▪ 10am-2pm
- For more info, hzfoodclub.org, call 616-392-2368, or email hello@communityactionhouse.org

Helplines

- **Crisis Text Line**
Text the word "HOME" to 741-741
(English & Spanish)
- **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**
Call 899-273-8255 (English)
Call 888-628-9454 (Spanish)