

## Holyoke spooks up Halloween activities

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Beware of ghosts, goblins and all things scary in the next week as Halloween activities have sneaked up once again.

All students K-6 are invited to participate in a pumpkin decorating/carving contest, sponsored by Jolly Dozen FCE Club. Entries may be dropped off Saturday, Oct. 27 between 9-11 a.m. at the Holly Daze craft show at Holyoke High School.

Judging will take place at 11 a.m. Pumpkins may be picked up after 3 p.m.

Students in K-3 should enter decorated pumpkins only. Grades 4-6 should enter only carved pumpkins. Prizes for first, second and third places will be awarded.



**Houses all over town are spruced up for fall and prepared for trick-or-treaters of all shapes and sizes to stop by on Halloween next Wednesday. Several creepy and cooky faces welcome visitors to this yard on Reynolds Avenue in Holyoke.☐☐**

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Phillips County Extension is once again hosting a haunted house this year. Kids and adults alike can discover “What Lingers in the Darkness...” at the “Black House” at the east exhibit building at the Phillips County Fairgrounds.

The haunted house will be open Saturday, Oct. 27 from 6-10 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 28 from 6-9 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 31 from 6-9 p.m. The first hour of each evening will be geared toward younger audiences, while the remainder of the evening will be a bit more frightful.

After trick-or-treating on Wednesday, kids fifth grade and younger should head over to the HHS old gym for the annual Lions Club costume contest, beginning at 6 p.m. Leo the Lion will be there for a special treat for kids.

Also on Halloween night, Pumpkins and More A-maiz-ing Farms invite trick-or-treaters to the farm from 5-9 p.m. with free general admission and free hot chocolate/apple cider. Kids can walk the maze and get a treat or participate in the costume contest at 7 p.m.

Pumpkins and More will be open until Sunday, Nov. 4, weather permitting. Weekend hours are noon-9 p.m. on Fridays, 10 a.m.-11 p.m. on Saturdays and noon-7 p.m. on Sundays. The haunted maze is open from dusk-9 p.m. on Fridays and dusk-11 p.m. on Saturdays. Other attractions include the pumpkin patch, slides, a cow train and much, much more!

The farm is located six miles south of Holyoke on Highway 385 to County Road 10, then east three and a half miles.

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