



Horseheads Central School District

Golden Star Gazette

June 2023

Gardner Road Elementary School

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Dear Gardner Road Families –

We are in the last month of your child's learning journey at Gardner Road for the year. We have had a wonderful year at the school with so many learning experiences, new friendships formed, and lots of fun times had by all. At our last town hall meeting of the year, we asked every student to share their favorite memory of the year. Be on the lookout for our collage in the main hall.

We hope to see families join us for our annual Book Bingo event on Thursday, June 1st at 5:30. All students will go home with at least one book. On June 2nd, we look forward to greeting our incoming kindergarteners at our Kindergarten Orientation. The rest of June will be filled with grade level celebrations, the Mud Run, Field Day, Senior Walk, a dunk tank, and more.

Our school will also be practicing our annual evacuation drill to an offsite location on Friday June 9th at 9:15. We should be fully back in the building by 10:15 that day. This drill is to help our staff and students understand how we would dismiss at a new location due to an emergency.

During June, we have four half days of school. Pre-K pick-up will be at 10:20 on these days. Please don't park in the bus lane on any of these days. We have a condensed dismissal process, and our busses will arrive at the same time. The K-4 busses will leave the parking lot around 10:45 each day. We will start parent pick-up around 10:40. There is no KidsWorld these days. Please be sure to send in a gold note if your child's pick-up plans are different.

Summer will be busy at Gardner Road for construction. Please pardon our mess as we start having some major work being done. On behalf of the entire school staff, we wish all our Golden Stars and their families an enjoyable and relaxing summer. We look forward to seeing everyone back in September and we wish our 4th graders a great transition to the Intermediate School. To those moving to a new school, remember you're always a Golden Star!

Be sure to check out our [school website](#) for updates and please keep up to date with the happenings at our school, by following our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages. Please contact me if you need anything, have questions, or would just like to chat about our school/your child.

Your Partner in Education,



Patrick F. Patterson

Patrick Patterson - Principal



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GENERAL INFORMATION:

Gardner Road School Hours

8:00 a.m. to 2:25 p.m.

Tardy Bell – 8:15 AM

Gardner Road Office Hours

7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Elementary Lunches (K-6)

Breakfast: \$1.25

Lunch: \$2.10

<https://horseheadscafeteria.gstboces.org/>



Moishe's Quote of the Month:

"Take pride in how far you've come. Have faith in how far you can go. But don't forget to enjoy the journey." - Michael Josephson

Gardner Road Main Office Updates:

Summer of Innovation – Summer of 2023:

Several organizations from across the Southern Tier have united to offer unique learning opportunities for children and young adults during the summer months. These organizations have a common goal of extending the traditional school year into the summer. Offerings have another purpose as well - to provide students with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) skills that are essential to their success in the future. Check out the details at

<https://apps.gstbores.org/summerofinnovation/>

Lost and Found:

Is your family missing sweatshirts, jackets, gloves, and more? We have a large bin of Lost and Found items in our main lobby. Feel free to come find your child's items. Thank you!

Are you Moving?

If you are moving to a new school next year, please notify the office as soon as possible and talk to our attendance clerk, Mrs. Wright. Please contact your child's new school so that they can request records from us. This will help us make accurate class lists for next school year. Thank you!

Update from Mrs. Hinman:

The end of the school year is quickly approaching! New York State regulations require all medication left at school at the end of the school year be discarded. This includes inhalers and Epi-pens. Unless your child has current permission to self-carry their medication, the school is not able to allow your child to bring the medication home themselves. If you need to make special arrangements to pick up medication, please call to make arrangements. **Medications not picked up, will be disposed of Friday, June 23rd @ 11:30 am.**

Join the Raider Team

Horseheads Schools seek bus drivers, cleaners, food service helpers, teaching assistants, monitors



- Full time and substitute positions available
- Full-time positions include health, vision, dental insurance, as well as New York State retirement
- Bus driver, teaching assistant, food service helper, and monitor are 10-month positions (no weekends or summers).
- Applications available at the District Office at 1443 Hibbard Road or at www.horseheadsdistrict.com/employment.cfm
- Questions? Call 607-739-5602, x4212 or email hcsdinfo@horseheadsdistrict.com.

PULL TOGETHER.



Proud Supporter of
School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Character Education Summer of 2023!

Character education learning is a year-round learning event for our students in Horseheads. Below are tips for the summer months. Be on the lookout for our character education connections in our community.

Fairness-July

- Discuss why games have rules
- Talk about taking turns while choosing things to do on vacation
- Discuss with your child why fair is not always equal
- Show good sportsmanship

Trustworthiness -August

- Have a family game night
- Model honesty in your everyday life
- Point out characters in books, movies, TV shows who display trustworthiness and why
- Focus on the "fun" of something instead of winning
- Honesty starts at home



May Snapshots (See more on our Twitter & Facebook pages)



We  our Golden  !

BEST ways to PREVENT SUMMER LEARNING SLIDE

Have your child read at least
20 MINUTES PER DAY



Students who read
20 minutes
a day score
in the
90th
percentile

Students who read
5 minutes
a day score
only in the
50th
percentile

* Anne E. Cunningham and Keith E. Stanovich, What Reading Does for the Mind, The American Federation of Teachers, American Educator, Vol. 22, No. 1-2, pp. 8-15.

Visit  the 
Library.

Find reasons for your
child to **practice**
writing skills.

Write...
a book, a blog, a zine, a poem

Engage in meaningful
conversations with
your child.

Stimulating
conversations boost
language skills.

Quick Conversation Tips:
1. Ask questions.
2. Be positive.
3. Give your full attention.
4. Be encouraging.

Audio Books

Instead of listening
to the radio, listen
to audio books
during long drives.

Model Reading Behavior



If your child sees
you reading,
they will want
to read as well.

Read to your child
This builds
listening skills,
imagination, and
increases vocabulary

Learn a new word each week.

Post the new word with its
definition and have a contest
for who can use it the most
times in one week.

Reciprocity

Plethora

Erudition

Panacea

Faith Accomplish
Equanimity

COOK
with your child



Have your child follow a recipe.
This enhances both reading and math skills.



"We Succeed Because The Stars Lead!"

June's Character Trait is:

Character Education

Caring

- Think about how your actions will affect others
- Be sensitive to people's feelings
- Help people in need
Treat people with kindness and generosity
- Do not be mean or hurtful



Character Matters
Horseheads Central School District

Our students are earning Golden Tickets everyday!
Great job to our Golden Stars for showing great

To report child
abuse or
neglect call toll
free
1-800-342-3720
or
ocfs.ny.gov/main/cps



SAFE SCHOOLS LINE

795-2044 or
1-800-305-4984

Report a concern, rumor, bullying incident, or any safety issue anonymously and confidentially, 24 hours a day.

Be Your Own Hero!



Horseheads Central School District's Mission & Vision:



Horseheads Central School District sets the standard of educational excellence by fostering innovative thinking, curiosity, and a passion for learning to maximize the potential of each individual. We engage with our local and global communities to provide a student-centered, nurturing environment.

EXPLORE

EMPOWER

EXCEL

Great job 4th Grade Chorus, Band & Orchestra!



The Horseheads Central School District offers educational programs without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, religion, marital status, military status, sex, sexual orientation, age, gender identity, predisposing genetic characteristic, or disability, and provides equal access to applicable groups under the Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act. Inquiries regarding this policy may be made to Caitlin DeFilippo, Title IX/DASA Coordinator, and Co-Civil Rights Compliance Officer; Anthony Gill, Co-Civil Rights Compliance Officer; or Kelly Squires, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845, (607) 739-5601.

The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for the Horseheads Central School District is Caitlin DeFilippo, director of Human Resources. If there is a complaint regarding discrimination, harassment or bullying of any student, the complaint should be filed with Caitlin DeFilippo at One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845; 607-739-5601, x4211, or cdefilippo@horseheadsdistrict.com. The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for Gardner Road Elementary is Patrick Patterson. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any student should be referred to Patrick Patterson at (607) 739 – 6347.

Parents/Guardians: Please submit your Bus Requests for 2023-24 by June 23

Horseheads Central School District Bus Request Process for 2023-24

There are three ways to submit your busing request information. If you have more than one child in the district, submit a form for each child by June 23. If you do not need busing next year, please still submit a form indicating that you do not require busing for your child.

1. **If you have a Parent Portal account and you have downloaded the Schooltool app** for your mobile device, tap the app to access your Parent Portal account. Once you've logged in, your base screen should say FORMS at the top. Tap FORMS and use the mobile app instructions [here](#). If you do not see FORMS at the top, you may be using the web version. Please see the instructions in #2 below or download the Schooltool app wherever you access apps for your mobile device.
2. **If you have a Parent Portal account and you use the web version to access it** – either from a desktop or on your mobile device – go to the site using the Parent Portal Login menu item on our website or this link: (<https://schooltool.horseheadsdistrict.com/sthhWeb/default.aspx>). Use the instructions [here](#).

Please note: If you are on a mobile device, once you log in, tap Menu at the top right and select Full Site. You will be asked to log in again. Instructions are [here](#).

Using your Parent Portal account will allow you to submit your information without having to enter your child's ID number. It will be submitted automatically through your Parent Portal account.

3. **If you do not use the Parent Portal**, submit your busing information via the form at the link or QR code below. Please note that if you use this form, you will need your child's ID number. The ID number can be found in your Parent Portal account or your PaySchools account (if you have these accounts), or on your child's report card. If you still do not have your student's ID number, contact the school office. Please complete the form whether or not you have the ID number.

Here is the link: <https://forms.office.com/r/xumxPcMuxv>. You can also use this QR code to access the form:



(If you do not have a Parent Portal account and would like to set one up to view grades and other information, please click [here](#).)

[The information above can also be found here.](#)

Questions? Contact the Transportation Office:

By email: lboncirosplock@horseheadsdistrict.com or nbond@horseheadsdistrict.com.

By phone: 607-739-6338

BOOK B I N G O

JUNE 1st

5:30 PM-6:30PM

Gardner Road Cafeteria

Come play sight word bingo!

Check out the FUN math games in the gym!!

Challenge yourself to complete a scavenger hunt on the map of
New York State!

All participants receive a free book of their choice!

All who attend will be entered in a raffle for academic games!

Frozen treats will be served at 6:30pm

See you there!!!!

Questions? eherforth@horseheadsdistrict.com

rmiley@horseheadsdistrict.com



2023 HORSEHEADS VARSITY “H” SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS **UPDATED 5/12/23**

CAMP	DATE/TIME	DIRECTOR	LOCATION	AGE/GRADE
BASEBALL	July 24-27 9:00-12:00	Jeff Limoncelli	Baseball Field HS	Ages 7 – 12 years
BASKETBALL (G)	June 26-29 11:00-2:00	Andy Scott	MS Gym	Grades 4 – 10
BASKETBALL (B&G) <i>*Elementary Ages</i>	June 26-29 8:30-10:30	Andy Scott	MS Fieldhouse	Grades K – 3
BASKETBALL (B)	July 17-20 2:30-5:00	Jeff Limoncelli	MS Gym	Grades 3 – 8
CHEERLEADING	July 31-August 3 (K-6) 9:00-11:00 (7-12) 1:00-3:00	Kayla Kuhns	HS South Gym	Grades K-6 Grades 7-12
FOOTBALL (JV & Varsity)	August 14-17 4:00-7:00	Kevin Hillman	HS Stadium	Modified/JV/Varsity Grades 7-12
FOOTBALL(LINEMAN CAMP)	June 26-27 4:00-7:00	Kevin Hillman	HS Stadium	Grades 9-12
FOOTBALL (FLAG)	Every Monday in JULY 5:00-6:30 (begins on the 10 th)	Kevin Hillman	Football Field	Grades 3-6 Boys and Girls
LACROSSE (B)	August 1-3 8:00-11:00	Jason Neubauer	Holding Point Field	Grades 1 – 8
LACROSSE (G)	July 25-27 3:30-6:30	Jen Guzylak	HS Stadium	Grades 1 - 8
SOCCER (B)	August 14-17 3:30-6:30 1-5/6-8; 3:30-7:30 9-12	Mark Mucci	Old Football Field 1-5 and 6-8 HS Stadium 7-12	Grades 1-12
SOCCER (G)	August 7-10 3:30-6:30	Lee Spencer	HS Stadium	Grades 1-12
SOFTBALL	July 24-27 (7-9) 2:30-4:00 (10-12) 4:30-6:30	Paul Richmond	Varsity Softball Field (Middle School)	Ages: 7 – 9 years 10-12 years
TENNIS (B&G)	July 10-13 9:00 – 12:00	Dustin McCullough	Tennis Courts	Grades 4 – 12
VOLLEYBALL (G)	July 10-13 2:00-3:30 3:30-5:00	Megyan Merrill	MS Fieldhouse	Grades 6-8 Grades 9-12

ALL INFORMATION FOR CAMPS AND REGISTRATIONS CAN BE FOUND ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.horseheadsdistrict.com

Under the “Departments” tab go to “Athletics” and there will be a link on the right labeled “2023 Varsity H Summer Camps”

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU CAN CONTACT KELLI AT: kfesetch@horseheadsdistrict.com

*****ANY CAMP MAY HAVE CHANGES DUE TO PLANNED SUMMER CONSTRUCTION. INFO WILL BE
UPDATED IMMEDIATELY AND REGISTRANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF ANY CHANGES**

2023



Serving the Youth of Chemung County Since 1974

Monday - Friday, 8am - 2pm
July 5th- August 11th

Summer Cohesion is a six-week, drop-in, recreational, educational, and cultural enrichment program for children 4-12 years of age in Chemung County.



SOME ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE:

- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| ★ Swimming | ★ Summer Reading Fun |
| ★ Outdoor Games | ★ Hands-on Educational Classes |
| ★ Arts and Crafts | ★ On-site Water Days |
| ★ Sports and Fitness | ★ Diversity Education |
| ★ Healthy Habits | ★ Team Building |

Registration begins Monday, June 5th at
ChemungYouth.com

Dear Summer Cohesion Parents,

In an effort to reduce the amount of website traffic, registration for Summer Cohesion will take place on a staggered schedule. PLEASE be mindful of the time registration begins for each site. Registration is first come, first served and all sites will remain open until full. Registration opens on **Monday, June 5th** at **ChemungYouth.com**. See below for the times that registration will take place.

Summer Cohesion Sites	Registration Time Begins
Parley Coburn Elementary	9:00 AM
Ridge Road Elementary	9:00 AM
Broadway Elementary	11:00 AM
Horseheads First Baptist Church	11:00 AM
Edison High School	1:00 PM
Hendy Elementary	1:00 PM

In order to register your children for Summer Cohesion, you **MUST** create an account. Create your account before June 5th at **ChemungYouth.com** to ensure a smoother registration process!

Creating an account does not register your child for Summer Cohesion. You will have to sign into your created account in order to complete registration and submit payment once online registration opens on June 5th.

Summer Cohesion Sites	Meal Sites	Aftercare 2-5:30pm
Broadway Elementary	X	Kids World
Edison High School		
Hendy Elementary	X	Kids World
Horseheads First Baptist Church		
Parley Coburn Elementary	X	Southside Community Center
Ridge Road Elementary		Kids World

YWCA Kids World—For more information call 607-733-5575.

FREE breakfast and lunch will be served at eligible sites listed above. Meals will begin on the first day. For all other sites, parents are asked to please pack a lunch.

Registration begins Monday, June 5th

Activity Fee

\$150 - for each child in the family

Reduced Fee

\$85 - for each child in the family

To register for a reduced fee you must pre-qualify by

May 26th at ChemungYouth.com

Eligibility for a reduced fee is determined by the total gross income and number of people listed on the 2022 Tax Return.

The tax return must list all children that will be registered.

Methods of Payment:

Online: Credit or Debit Card only

To Register:

ChemungYouth.com

Sorry, No Refunds!

Helpful Information

Participants must be between the ages of 4 and 12 by July 1, 2023.

Proof of Birth is required for children 4 and 12 years of age.

Children must be toilet trained.

Children may be registered at any Summer Cohesion site.

Please send your child in sneakers everyday.

First day of the program is Wednesday, July 5th.

In partnership with Arc of Chemung-Schuyler, Summer Cohesion is hopeful to bring back our Summer Pals class for kids with special needs at a site that is to be determined.

For more information on Summer Pals call 607-734-6151 x 140



Registration begins June 5th at

ChemungYouth.com

For more information call 607-737-2907

2023 Program Partners

- Abby's Paws for a Cause
- ARC of Chemung-Schuyler
- Chemung County
Storm Water Coalition
- Chemung County
Department of Social Services
- Chemung County Library District
- Chemung Valley Museum

- City of Elmira
- Cornell Cooperative Extension
- Doug the Magician
- Dynamic Ceramics
- Elmira City School District
- Elmira Heights School District
- First Baptist Church
of Horseheads

- Glove House
- GST BOCES Cosmetology Program
- Horseheads Central School District
- iMatter Fitness
- Kramer Foundation
- NYS Office of
Children & Family Services
- NY Sport & Fitness Pickleball
- Southern Tier
Tobacco Awareness Coalition

- Southside Community Center
- Terps Enterprises Inc.
- Tanglewood Nature Center
- Tim Collins
- Town of Elmira
- *Town of Southport
- Town & Village of Horseheads
- Trinity of Chemung County
- YWCA Elmira & the Twin Tiers
- United Way of the Southern Tier



Chemung County's Recreation Program for Teens

Parents! Did you know that the Chemung County Youth Bureau also operates **SPOT**, a **FREE**, drop-in recreation program for teens ages 12-15 that live in Chemung County? Premier SPOT events will be scheduled each week from July 7th—August 11th

For more information visit ChemungYouth.com or call 607-737-2907

PREMIER TEEN EVENTS:

-  Rock-N-Splashes
-  Movie Nights
-  Rock-N-Skates
-  Laser Tags
-  Rock-N-Bowls

Summer Cohesion is a program of
Chemung County Youth Bureau & Recreational Services
599 Harris Hill Road • Elmira, NY 14903 • 607-737-2907

Contact: youthbureau@chemungcountyny.gov
visit ChemungYouth.com



June 2023



HORSEHEADS ELEMENTARY GRADES PK-4TH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FREE SUMMER MEALS FOR ALL KIDS 18 & UNDER!! For up to date information on summer meals & enrichment programs call 2-1-1 HELPLINE by dialing 2-1-1 (Or 1-800-346-2211) VISIT www.211helpline.org TEXT FOOD or COMIDA to 877-877 (text rates apply. operated by USDA) PLEASE check out the back of the menu and visit the food service website under the district webpage (click on Summer Meals)				
5 Philly Cheese Steak Sub Baked Crispy Chicken Sandwich Green Beans Oven Fries	6 Chicken & Orange Sauce w/Rice NY Hot Dog on a Roll Steamed Broccoli	7 Chicken Alfredo w/Bread Cheeseburger on a Roll Steamed Broccoli Fresh Baby Carrots Homemade Fruit Crisp	1 NY MENU DAY! NY Hot Dog on a Roll w/Meatsauce NY Ranch Roasted Potatoes Strawberry Shortcake NY Juice! Chilled NY Milk	2 Pizza Dunkers w/Marinara Sauce Tuna Salad Wrap Sliced Carrots
12 Baked Mozzarella Sticks w/Pasta & Sauce Breaded Chicken Drumstick w/Breadstick Green Beans	13 Toasted Cheese Sandwich Chicken Ranch Wrap Hot Tomato Soup Sliced Carrots	14 Pasta w/Meatsauce & Cheese Pasta w/Marinara Sauce & Cheese Turkey Club Sub Steamed Broccoli Fresh Pepper Strips! Fruity Jello w/Whipped Topping	8 Chicken Soft Taco w/Rice Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice Golden Sweet Corn Refried Beans	9 Buffalo Wing Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Sliced Carrots
19	20	21	15 FIELD DAY! NY Hot Dog on a Roll Fresh Strawberries! Assorted Veggies & Fruit Bag of Chips	16 HALF DAY Breakfast Available NO LUNCH
June 19th No School	HALF DAY Breakfast Available NO LUNCH	HALF DAY Breakfast Available NO LUNCH	22 Last Day of School! HALF DAY Breakfast Available NO LUNCH	23
26 PaySchools Central Make Online Payments at Payschoolcentral.com/	27	28	29 JOIN US FOR NY MENU DAY! See menu for details	30

Available Daily Entrees

PBJ Sandwich
Meat Chef Salad w/ Bread Choice
Vegetarian Chef Salad w/Bread Choice
NY Cheese Stick & Yogurt w/Bread Choice
Turkey & Cheese Sandwich
Ham & Cheese Sandwich
M/W/F: Baked Chicken Nuggets w/Bread
T/TH: Cheese Pizza

Available Daily Sides

Fresh Vegetables
Fresh Tossed Salad
Assorted Fruit
NY Chilled Milk
100% Fruit Juice
***Bread Choice = Soft Pretzel or Breadstick**

PRICING:

Breakfast: \$1.25
Lunch \$2.10
Milk/Ala Carte Sides: \$0.75
Snacks: \$0.60-\$1.50

Breakfast Menu

Monday: Breakfast on a Stick
Tuesday: French Toast Sticks
Wednesday: Breakfast Sandwich
Thursday: Cinnamon Roll
Friday: Mini Pancakes
Daily Options: Bagel, Asst. Cereal, Goldfish Graham, Asst. Oatmeal, Muffin Top, Breakfast Oatmeal Bar, NY Yogurt, Asst. Fruit, 100% Fruit Juice & Chilled NY Milk

Contact the Food Service Office if you have any questions, comments or concerns. We can be reached at (607) 739-5601 (ext. 3671 or ext. 3674) or go to the School District Website Food Service Page & click on the Contact Us button to fill in and submit your







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This menu is subject to change with out advance notice.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Character Education Connection—Caring: --Discuss how characters in a book show caring. --Help a neighbor --Discuss with your kids what/who they care about and why --Consider donating your time or items to your favorite charity --Help your child make a card/letter of caring to a friend or relative --Model random acts of kindness			1 Day 4 Science and Discovery Center Assemblies Book Bingo 5:30 - 6:30	2 Day 6 Wear Blue and Gold Gardner Road Spirit Day!  8:50—10:30
5 Day 1 Kindergarten Screening	6 Day 2 Kindergarten Screening District Wide 4th Grade Event at the HS Stadium—AM	7 Day 3 Kindergarten Screening	8 Day 4 Music & Art Show Raymour & Flanigan -4:00	9 Day 5 Evacuation Drill 9:20—10:15
12 Day 6	13 Day 1 4th Grade Celebration	14 Day 2 Senior Walk 1:30 	15 Day 3 PK—4th Field Day  BOE Meeting 6:00 HS	16 Early Dismissal PK Celebration 9:20 Early Dismissal PK 10:20 Early Dismissal K-4 10:45
NO SCHOOL 	20 Early Dismissal Kindergarten Celebration 9:00 Early Dismissal PK 10:20 Early Dismissal K-4 10:45 GRPTO Mud Run 6:00 	21 Early Dismissal Early Dismissal PK 10:20 Early Dismissal K-4 10:45	22 Early Dismissal Sing Along 9:30 Early Dismissal PK 10:20 Early Dismissal K-4 10:45 Report Cards Go Home 