

HORSEHEADS HIGH SCHOOL

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ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY FOR REGENTS EXAMS

As a continuing effort to secure and maintain the integrity of State Exams including Regents exams, the Department of Education prohibits use of electronic devices during exam administration. Prohibited devices include, but are not limited to;

- Cell phones
- iPods/MP3 players
- Any type of smart watch
- iPads, tablets, and other eReaders
- Laptops, notebooks or any other personal computing devices
- Cameras or other photographic equipment
- Headphones, headsets, or in-ear headphones such as earbuds
- Any device capable of recording audio, photographic or video content, or capable of viewing or playing back such content.

We strongly encourage our students to refrain from bringing the above mentioned items to the exam sites. As a result, any student bringing a prohibited device to a testing site will have that device collected and secured while the exam is being administered. Additionally, the Department of Education has directed schools; “that any student who refuses to relinquish a prohibited device will be denied admission to their scheduled exam.” Please note it is not the responsibility of Horseheads Central School District if a device may be damaged or lost.

If you have any questions regarding the policy or procedure, please contact Mr. McCawley the High School Exam Coordinator.

COURSE SELECTION CATALOG

The Horseheads High School course catalog is now available online [here](#). A limited number of hard copies are available in the Guidance Office.

2019-2020 SCHEDULING

Students will soon be meeting with their guidance counselors to select courses for the next school year. During this meeting each student will review their course and exam progress toward graduation. Counselors will discuss future plans and assist in selecting courses for the following year. Please note the following:

- These meetings are only to select courses. Schedules are built during the summer months and students will not receive a schedule until the first day of school in September.
- Students cannot request to have specific lunch periods, teachers, or course placement within a schedule.

Each student will have their course selection sheet mailed home after their scheduling meeting. Students will have the opportunity to change course selections but please be aware that there are strict deadlines to do so. Within the initial mailing home there will be a *course selection change sheet* included. If your student wants to make any changes prior to the last day of school (June 22nd), this half sheet of paper needs to be returned to the Guidance Office with the requested change indicated and a parent signature. After the last day of school through July 31st students can still make changes using a blue *Schedule Change Request* form which is available on the high school website and in the Guidance Office. **After July 31st no changes to course selections are allowed.** If there are conflicts with courses fitting into a student schedule, counselors will contact the student during the summer to discuss the conflict and alter the student's schedule. **It is very important that parents make sure that their family contact information is updated with the school so that counselors are able to notify students of any problems with their schedules in a timely manner.**

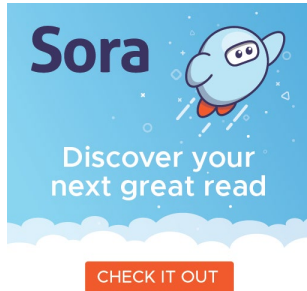
SPORTS PHYSICALS

Varsity and JV **spring sports begin March 4, 2019**. Online registration opens February 1 on Family ID. Details regarding registration are on the district website under Athletics. If you have any questions, please call the Health Office at 739-5601 x1623.

To be eligible for a spring sport, please be sure the athlete's physical was completed on or after 3/1/18. The physical can be uploaded to Family ID, faxed to 795-2510, emailed to either ctournour@horseheadsdistrict.com or ywhite@horseheadsdistrict.com, or dropped off to the HHS Health Office. Once the physical is received, the student-athlete will then be cleared medically and by the Athletic Department to be eligible for the sport.

Dates for summer sport physicals to be determined. Sign-ups for physicals will begin mid-May. If you are getting a physical by your primary medical provider, please do so prior to registering for a fall sport.

LIBRARY NEWS



There have been many new titles added to our NEW Overdrive digital collection of E-books and Audio-books. To check them out, students can Download the Sora app, or go to soraapp.com, and sign in with their regular district credentials (lastname-firstname and your regular district password). HHS students can log in to both the *Horseheads Central School District Collection*, as well as the *Greater Southern Tier BOCES Shared Digital Collection*. Read anytime, anyplace, with Sora. If you need help, contact Mrs. Frei in the library.

Library-Community Connections

Thanks to Mrs. Cosgrove (Consumer Science teacher) who created a great display in our library showcase with artifacts and information from the Horseheads Historical Society. The display about how school used to look in Horseheads is a great way to help our students understand and connect to the past and their local roots.



NATIONAL FOREIGN LANGUAGE WEEK MARCH 4TH – MARCH 8TH, 2019

Each day during National Foreign Language Week, the cafeteria will feature themed dishes for lunch and the World Languages Department will sponsor various attire themes throughout the week to promote languages and cultures!



JANUARY 2019 EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Please read and save this information for future reference regarding the January Examination Schedule for local exams, Regents Exams, Regents and Competency Tests. Teachers will give students information about the examinations in each class.

Please encourage your student(s) to prepare well for the examinations in order to successfully complete the first half of the school year. Local examinations will be administered during class the week prior to Regents Exams at the discretion of the teacher.

This examination schedule will be in effect from **Tuesday, January 22, through Friday, January 25, 2019**. During this period, students will report to school for their examinations at the times scheduled below.

Cafeteria services will be limited during the four-day examination period. The bus schedule will be maintained as if regular classes were in session. The cafeteria and the library will be open for student use during the examination period.

JANUARY 2019 EXAM SCHEDULE			
Tuesday January 22, 2019	Wednesday January 23, 2019	Thursday January 24, 2019	Friday January 25, 2019
8:00 – 11:00 a.m.	8:00 – 11:00 a.m.	8:00 – 11:00 a.m.	8:00 – 11:00 a.m.
English Language Arts – S. Gym ES Lab Exams- Rm 113,115,117,120	RE in U.S. History & Gov't- S. Gym Geometry- N. Gym	RE in Global History & Gov't- Rm 273 Physical Setting/Physics*- Rm 261/263 Spanish 3- Rm 265, 267, 268	Physical Setting/Earth Science- N. Gym Physical Setting/Chemistry- Rm 261/263
12:00 – 3:00 p.m.	12:00 – 3:00 p.m.	12:00 – 3:00 p.m.	
Living Environment- N. Gym ES Lab Exams- Rm 113,115,117,120	Algebra I- N. Gym	Algebra II- N. Gym	<u>UNIFORM ADMISSION DEADLINES</u> Morning Exams – 10:00 Afternoon Exams – 2:00

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF NEXT YEAR'S SENIORS: MENINGOCOCCAL VACCINE(S) REQUIRED BY START OF SCHOOL YEAR IN SEPTEMBER

Beginning September 1, 2016, all students entering 7th and 12th grades in New York State must be fully vaccinated against meningococcal disease in order to attend school. Students who are not up-to-date will not be allowed to attend school until they are vaccinated. *

Parents, please note

Before school this September:

- Your 12th-grader must have received two doses of the meningococcal vaccine unless he/she received the first dose after turning 16. Most students entering 12th grade got their first dose when they were younger and are now due for their second dose, or booster. This booster is needed because protection from the vaccine decreases over time.
- If your child had one or two doses of the meningococcal vaccine prior to his/her 16th birthday, he/she must have a second dose in order to begin school in September. *

It's best to check with your doctor to see whether or not your child needs the vaccine. The vaccine may be given by your primary provider or the Chemung County Health Department. For information on how to get the vaccine at the Health Department and particular insurance coverage, call 737-2028.

About the Vaccine:

- It's not a new vaccine; it has been recommended for a decade.
- What's new is that the vaccine will be required for school entry as of September 1, 2016.
- Most parents already choose to vaccinate their children.

About Meningococcal Disease:

- It causes bacterial meningitis and other serious diseases.
- Teens and young adults are at greater risk.
- It comes on quickly and without warning.
- Its symptoms are similar to the flu.
- Every case of this disease can result in death or long-term disability.

To learn more about this and other vaccination requirements in New York State, visit www.health.ny.gov/immunize. For specific questions about your child, please contact your primary provider. For questions about the High School Health Office, call 795-2500, x1622.

**Public Health Law requires that all students meet immunization requirements. Students transferring within New York State have 14 calendar days to submit required immunizations. Students transferring from out of state or out of country have 30 days to submit required immunizations.*

CONGRATULATIONS!

Since 1927 Scholastic Inc. has sponsored the Scholastic Art Awards to honor outstanding achievement in the visual arts by junior and senior high school students from around the country. The Arnot Art Museum sponsors the Twin Tiers region in New York and Pennsylvania, and uses a judging process to select work to be exhibited from the eight participating counties. Once again this year, Horseheads students dominated the regional Scholastics competition with more entries accepted than any other school. Congratulations to the following students who will have their work on exhibit at the Arnot Art Museum January 29 - March 2, 2019

2019 SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS

BELLA CARBERRY	Honorable Mention	Drawing	Vanity of the Self-conscious Mind
MEGAN COLE	Gold Key	Drawing	Addicted
RORY COUGHLIN	Silver Key	Mixed Media	Succulent Plural
SUSAN DONG	Silver Key	Drawing	Temporary Escape
SUSAN DONG	Gold Key	Photography	The Product of Our Souls
SUSAN DONG	Honorable Mention	Painting	Hear My Silence
KELSEY GREENE	Honorable Mention	Mixed Media	The Context of Life
KELSEY GREENE	Gold Key	Digital Art	Pandora's Box
KELSEY GREENE	Honorable Mention	Drawing	Katya
KELSEY GREENE	Honorable Mention	Painting	Metamorphosis
DEANNA HAFLETT	Honorable Mention	Mixed Media	A Touch of Rain
KATHLEEN JONES	Silver Key	Painting	9 Lives
KATHLEEN JONES	Silver Key	Drawing	Mourning Star
KATHLEEN JONES	Silver Key	Mixed Media	Happenstance
ELIZABETH KAMAS	Honorable Mention	Drawing	Soccer Tricks
LAUREN KANE	Honorable Mention	Drawing	Reflection
MOLLISSA KELLY	Silver Key	Design	The Mirror
JOANNE KIM	Silver Key	Painting	Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk
JOANNE KIM	Honorable Mention	Painting	Forget-Me-Not
JOANNE KIM	Honorable Mention	Art Portfolio	Hues of Expression
JOANNE KIM	Silver Key	Painting	Blurred Lines
JOANNE KIM	Honorable Mention	Drawing	The Toymaker
JOANNE KIM	Gold Key	Painting	Age of the Modern Woman
JOANNE KIM	Honorable Mention	Painting	After Hours
JOANNE KIM	Gold Key	Photography	Packaged
JOANNE KIM	Honorable Mention	Painting	Morning Reflection
SYDNEY NORTHUP	Silver Key	Drawing	Cup of Youth
SYDNEY NORTHUP	Honorable Mention	Painting	Peace Offering
BELINDA ZHANG	Honorable Mention	Painting	Centerpeace
BELINDA ZHANG	Honorable Mention	Painting	Royaltea

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Horseheads schools will soon use the SchoolMessenger system to deliver **text messages**, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.*

You can participate in this free service* just by sending **"Y"** or **"Yes"** by text to our school's short code number, **67587**.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with **"Stop"**.



SchoolMessenger is compliant with the [Student Privacy Pledge™](#), so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.

**Opt-In from
your mobile
phone now!**



**Just send
"Y" or "Yes"
to 67587**

i Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:

SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

*Terms and Conditions – Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See schoolmessenger.com/tx for more info.

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CALENDAR REMINDERS

Friday, January 18, 2019	End of 4 th Marking Period
Monday, January 21, 2019	Martin Luther King Jr. Day – NO SCHOOL
Tuesday, January 22 – Friday, January 25, 2019	Regents Exams - No Regular Classes
Monday, January 28, 2019	Conference Day - NO SCHOOL
Tuesday, January 29, 2019	Beginning of Second Semester
Friday, February 6, 2019	Report Cards Issued
Mon, February 18 – Tues, February 19, 2019	Presidents Recess – NO SCHOOL

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NOTICE: The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for Horseheads High School is Mike McCawley. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any student should be referred to Mr. McCawley 739-5601, ext. 1603. The Dignity Act Coordinator for the Horseheads Central School District is Caitlin DeFilippo, who may be reached at One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845, 607-739-5601, x4211.

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 Kim Williams, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845, (607) 739-5601. This policy of non-discrimination includes access by students to educational programs, counseling services, course offerings, and activities, as well as recruitment and appointment of employees and employment pay, benefits, advancement and/or termination. The following person(s) has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Caitlin DeFilippo, Director of Human Resources, cdefilippo@horseheadsdistrict.com, One Raider Lane, Horseheads Central School District, Horseheads, NY 14845, (607) 739-5601 and US Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, LBJ Department of Education Building, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington DC 20202-1100, (800) 421-3481.