



Horseheads High School

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The Community

Horseheads is located in the south central section of New York State, on Interstate 86 between Elmira and Corning near the Pennsylvania border. The district covers a 143 square mile area. The area's major employers include: Corning Incorporated; Hardinge, Inc.; Arnot Ogden Medical Center; Synthes; Kennedy Valve; FM Howell & Co.; the Star Gazette; Guthrie Healthcare; Nucor Vulcraft of NY, Inc.; Schlumberger; CVS Distribution; the Horseheads Central School District; the Elmira City School District; & GST BOCES. The area also includes cultural and recreational attractions including the Clemens Center for the Performing Arts, the National Warplane Museum, the Corning Museum of Glass, and vast state parks, waterfalls and gorges to our northeast in Ithaca and to our north in Watkins Glen. Our region is considered the Soaring Capital of the World!

The School

Horseheads High School houses 1360 students in grades 9-12. Our total district enrollment is 4136 pupils in seven schools.

Full time high school teachers: 100

High School Counselors: Five

High School Administrators: One principal & three assistant principals

Accreditation: New York State

School Year

Horseheads High School utilizes an Intensive (Block) Schedule consisting of two semesters of 20 weeks each. The school day consists of four 80-minute classes. Some classes utilize an A/B day rotation. All full-credit classes meet five days a week and are all one semester in length with the exception of AP English, AP American History, AP World History, AP US Government & Politics, AP Comparative Government & Politics, and all bands and choirs, which run the duration of the school year.

The Curriculum

Horseheads High School offers more than 125 courses, including electives in every subject area. Special Education classes are available to provide for the needs of individual students. Career and Technical Education programs are available through our regional BOCES center.

Advanced Placement (AP) courses are offered in American History, Art History, English, United States Government & Politics, Comparative Government & Politics, and World History.*

Accelerated College Education (ACE) are dual enrollment courses offered in tandem with Corning Community College. Students have the option to earn both high school and college credit for successfully completing ACE courses in Accounting, Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Economics, Engineering Orientation, English, First Year Experience, French, Graphics for Engineers, Health, Physics, Spanish, and Web Page Design.*

**Course not running 2016-17 school year.*

New Visions courses are designed for college-bound seniors to assist them in acquiring new knowledge through independent and cooperative learning experiences. Programs are offered in Education & Human Services, Health Careers, and Innovation, Leadership & Business. Students who are accepted into this highly selective program, participate in on-site rotations with local organizations that are tailored to their individual career interest area.

Graduation Requirements

A minimum of 23 units of credit are required for graduation. A unit of credit is equivalent to one semester of study at 80 minutes per day, five days per week. Horseheads High School graduates exceed the state minimum requirement in both physical education and health.

Marking System

Cumulative grade point average is numerical and unweighted. The passing average is 65. Conversion to a letter scale is as follows:

A= 90-100%

B= 80-89%

C= 70-79%

D=65-69%

F= below 65%

Special transcript notations:

W= Withdrawn from class, usually coupled with a P (pass) or F (fail)

Z= No credit awarded due to attendance policy

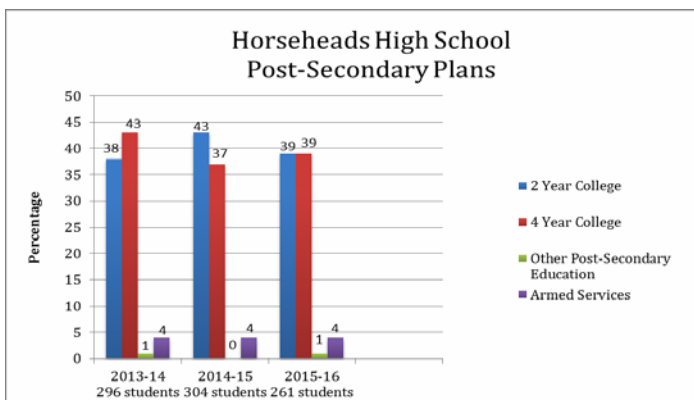
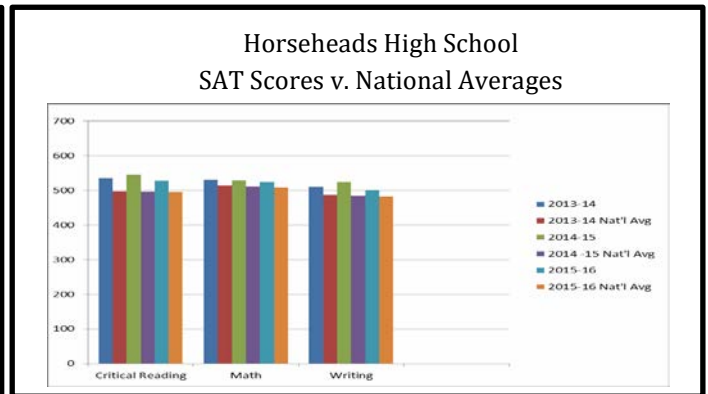
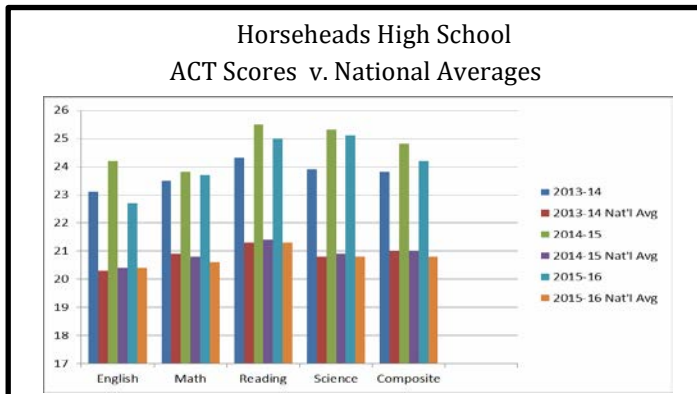
P= Passing Grade

F= Failing Grade

H= Honors Grade

Class Rank

Rank in class is weighted and calculated using numerical grades only. Rank is based on an individual students cumulative Quality Point Average (QPA). Courses are assigned a weighted course factor (ACE/AP= 2.0, all other courses = 1.5) which, along with a specific weighted grade factor, is used in determining the quality point average. Students ranking is reported as the top 2%, top 5%, top 10%, top 15%, Top 20% and 3rd-10th deciles.



High School Administrative Staff

Mrs. Karen L. Donahue, Principal

Mr. Daniel Buseck, Assistant Principal

Mr. Michael McCawley, Assistant Principal

Mrs. Kris Earl, Assistant Principal

High School Counseling Staff

Mr. Patrick J. Beckwith

Mrs. April B. Cook

Mr. Stephen Eberhard

Mrs. Gillian A. Jewell

Mrs. Lynda J. Thomas