

# HORSEHEADS HIGH SCHOOL "NOTES"



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## ART DEPARTMENT NEWS

Two Horseheads High School students had ceramic pieces on display at the Loomis Gallery at Mansfield University's "Master and Grasshopper Show" which pairs the work of high school art teachers with their students.

Senior **Gigi Jones** had a large coil pot inspired by a beetle on display along with work by her instructor Angela Niforatos. Sophomore **Mackenzie Clark** had a ceramic tea set titled "Year of the Horse" on display along with work by her teacher Cynthia Cratsley. In addition, **Mackenzie Clark** won Honorable Mention for three-dimensional work- her prize was a large collection of art supplies!

Congratulations!

## STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Throughout April HHS Student Council collected new and lightly used books to donate to Family Reading Partnership of Chemung Valley and the Red Bookshelf Program. With contributions from students and faculty at all grade levels, we donated a total of 748 books that will ultimately go to young readers throughout our county.

Great job!!

## FROM THE MATH DEPARTMENT

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the upcoming academic year, we would like to emphasize the importance of the appropriate math placement for your child in high school. Proper placement in math courses ensures that each student is both challenged and supported.

### How We Determine Placement:

Our school uses a combination of factors to determine the most appropriate math placement for each student, including:

- Previous math performance and grades – we recommend a course average of 85 or above to go directly into the next regents course.
- Regents' exam scores – We recommend a student that fails the exam repeat that course and a student with a **passing score** close to 65 take the pre-cursor to the next regents course. For example, the student should take Geometry before taking Geometry R.
- Teacher recommendations
- Student interest and career goals

### Why Math Placement Matters:

1. **Individualized Learning:** Proper placement allows for a tailored learning experience that meets your child's specific needs, ensuring they are neither overwhelmed nor under-challenged.
2. **Academic Success:** A strong understanding of mathematical concepts can enhance problem-solving skills and logical reasoning, which are valuable across all areas of study.
3. **Future Opportunities:** Many college programs and careers require a solid background in mathematics. Proper placement can help your child stay on track for advanced courses, college admissions, and career readiness in fields such as engineering, technology, finance, and the sciences.
4. **Confidence and Motivation:** Placement in the right math course can boost your child's confidence and motivation. When students are appropriately challenged, they are more likely to engage with the material and develop a positive attitude towards learning.

We encourage you to discuss your child's math placement with their current math teacher or school counselor.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. Together, we can ensure that every student has the opportunity to succeed and reach their full potential.

Warmest regards,

High School Math Department

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**REPORT A CONCERN, RUMOR, BULLYING INCIDENT, OR ANY SAFETY ISSUE**  
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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, 143 Hibbard Road, 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, 143 Hibbard Road, 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.

## JUNE 2026 EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Please read and save this information for future reference regarding the June Examination Schedule for Regents exams. 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 second half of the school year.

This examination schedule will be in effect for **Tuesday, June 9, 2026 and Wednesday, June 10, 2026** and from **Wednesday, June 17 through Thursday, June 25, 2026**. During this period, students will only report to school for their examinations at the times scheduled below. All testing will be held in the North and South Wing of the High School.

Cafeteria services will be limited during the four-day examination period. The bus schedule will be maintained as if regular classes were in session.

### EXAMINATION SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2026

JUNE 9 TUESDAY	JUNE 10 WEDNESDAY	JUNE 17 WEDNESDAY	JUNE 18 THURSDAY	JUNE 23 TUESDAY	JUNE 24 WEDNESDAY	JUNE 25 THURSDAY	
<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	
English Language Arts	Algebra II	Algebra I  ES Lab Exams	Living Environment	U S History & Gov't	Physical Setting/Chemistry-	Physical Setting/Physics	<b>NO EXAMS ON June 19th or 22nd</b>
	<b>12:00PM</b>	<b>12:00PM</b>	<b>12:00PM</b>	<b>12:00PM</b>	<b>12:00PM</b>		
		Global History & Geography II  ES Lab Exams-	Physical Setting/Earth Science	Geometry		<b>Uniform Admission Deadlines</b>  <b>Morning Examinations – 10:00AM</b>  <b>Afternoon Examinations – 2:00PM</b>	

## Class of 2026 – Senior Reminders for Parents

### Caps and Gowns

Caps and gowns were distributed on **April 24**. Students who have not picked up their items should report to the **Main Office** as soon as possible. Please remind students to confirm they received a **cap, gown, and tassel**. Orders can still be placed at [www.nygrad.com](http://www.nygrad.com).

Honors cords and awards will be distributed after the **7th marking period**, once grades are finalized.

### Senior Prom

**Saturday, May 9 | 6:00–10:00 PM**

Radisson Hotel, Corning

Theme: *Midnight Gala*. Dinner and dancing included. Ticket sales and guest approvals are complete.

### Senior Survey (Required)

The Senior Survey link was emailed to seniors on **May 1**. All seniors must complete the survey for graduation reporting, college transcripts, and scholarship recognition. Students must use their **school Office 365 account**.

### Senior Walk

**Tuesday, June 9 | 1:00 PM**

Due to Center Street Elementary being closed this year, seniors may choose a different elementary school or the **Intermediate School**. Participating schools include **Big Flats, Gardner Road, Horseheads Intermediate School, Ridge Road @ Center Street, and St. Mary Our Mother**.

**RSVP required by Friday, May 29.**

### Sports Tribute Night

**Wednesday, June 10 | 6:00 PM**

High School Auditorium

Honors student athletes, teams, championships, and individual awards.

### Senior Trip – Knoebels

**Tuesday, June 16 | 10:30 AM–approximately 10:30 PM**

Cost: **\$25** (waived if earned through fundraiser). Includes park admission, rides, and transportation.

Food and waterpark access are not included.

Permission slips are required and available in **Room 209**.

Sign-ups during lunch on **May 6 and May 12** (Auditorium Box Office).

Permission slips due **May 12**. Payment due **May 27**.

### Graduation Rehearsal – Mandatory

**Wednesday, June 24 | 11:00 AM**

High School Stadium

All seniors must attend rehearsal in order to participate in the graduation ceremony.

### Graduation Ceremony

**Wednesday, June 24 | 6:00 PM**

High School Stadium (weather permitting; rain dates **June 25–27**)

No tickets are required. Seating is first come, first served. Seniors must report to the **South Wing/Library Hall by 5:15 PM**. A professional photographer will be present.

### **Graduation Attire Reminders**

No heels or flip flops. Caps should be worn straight with the tassel on the right. Only school-issued cords and stoles may be worn.

### **Questions**

Please contact **Mrs. Wida**, Main Office

607-739-5601 ext. 1620 | [kawida@horseheadsdistrict.com](mailto:kawida@horseheadsdistrict.com)



**\*\*\*NOW HIRING\*\*\***

**Summer Temporary Member Service Representative**  
**Full-Time (40 hours/week) -Horseheads, NY**

**Responsibilities/Duties:** As a Member Service Representative, your focus is delivering exceptional service to our members while facilitating various transactions with precision and efficiency. Serving as a frontline representative of the organization, you uphold the highest standards of professionalism, focusing on creating a positive member centric experience. This role requires strong communication skills and attention to detail.

**Minimum Qualifications & Experience:** High school diploma. Teller experience is a plus. Proficient in the Microsoft Office Suite programs. Proficient with standard office equipment such as computers, phones, photocopiers, filing cabinets and fax machines, PCs, etc. Visions remains committed to the aspects of diversity and inclusion and will consider alternative education and experience.

Full-time (40 hours /week). Expected hours include Monday - Friday 8:30AM - 5:30PM with rotating Saturday shifts 8:30AM - 12:30PM.

**ABOUT US:** We're a community-minded organization with more than 50 years of experience. We serve members across three states, and our culture is one built on giving back. We're more than just money – we're people helping people. If you want to be part of something greater, something different, and something growing – then come work at Visions. We're more than banking. You can be, too. **#ClaimYourSeat**

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<https://www.visionsfcu.org/careers>



or call **(800).242.2120 ext. 10501**



**HORSEHEADS**  
**VARSITY "H"**

**SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS**

Camps available for students entering grades K-12

To view camp details  
or sign up, visit the district homepage at  
[www.horseheadsdistrict.com](http://www.horseheadsdistrict.com)

Contact director Paige Dean  
with questions

[pdean@horseheadsdistrict.com](mailto:pdean@horseheadsdistrict.com)

## TENTATIVE CALENDAR

1-May-26	Fri	NHS Service Hours Due		
2-May-26	Sat	SAT's		
4-May-26	Mon	AP Testing		
5-May-26	Tue	AP Testing		
6-May-26	Wed	AP Testing		
7-May-26	Thu	AP Testing		
		Parent Advisory Council	Main Office	3:30-4:15
9-May-26	Sat	Senior Prom		
11-May-26	Mon	AP Testing		
		AP Testing		
12-May-26	Tue	AP Testing		
13-May-26	Wed	End of MP7		
		AP Testing		
14-May-26	Thu	Start of MP8		
		AP Testing		
15-May-26	Fri	AP Testing		
19-May-26	Tue	Band Concert	Auditorium	7:30
20-May-26	Wed	Report Cards Published/Distributed		
22-May-26	Fri	No School		
25-May-26	Mon	Holiday – No School		
26-May-26	Tue	No School		
28-May-26	Thu	Athletic Signings	Auditorium	4:00
29-May-26	Fri	Sophomore Courtyard Dance	Courtyard	6:00-9:00
2-Jun-26	Tue	Orchestra Concert	Auditorium	7:00
4-Jun-26	Thu	Parent Advisory Council	Main Office	3:30-4:15
5-Jun-26	Fri	(Music) Casual Festival	Courtyard	6:30
6-Jun-26	Sat	SAT's		
9-Jun-26	Tue	Regents Exam		
		Senior Walk	Elementary Schools	1:00
10-Jun-26	Wed	Regents Exam		
		Sports Tribute	Auditorium	6:00
13-Jun-26	Sat	POPS Concert	Auditorium	6:00
16-Jun-26	Tue	Last Day of Classes		
		End of MP8		
		Senior Day/Senior Trip		
17-Jun-26	Wed	Regents Exams		
18-Jun-26	Thu	Regents Exams		
19-Jun-26	Fri	No School		
22-Jun-26	Mon	Regents Exams		

## TENTATIVE CALENDAR

<b>23-Jun-26</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>Regents Exams</b>		
		<b>Graduation Rehearsal</b>	<b>Stadium</b>	<b>1:00</b>
<b>24-Jun-26</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Regents Exams</b>		
		<b>Graduation</b>	<b>Stadium</b>	<b>6:00</b>
<b>25-Jun-26</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Graduation (Rain Date)</b>	<b>Stadium</b>	<b>6:00</b>
<b>26-Jun-26</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Graduation (Rain Date)</b>	<b>Stadium</b>	<b>6:00</b>
<b>July</b>		<b>Report Cards Mailed Home</b>		