

HORSEHEADS HIGH SCHOOL

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BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR

The Board of Education and district are currently developing the proposed 2019-20 School Budget to be offered to voters May 21st. Here is a schedule of public meetings regarding the proposed budget. All are welcome. The Multi-Media Center is located in the south wing of Horseheads High School.

Thursday, March 7	Budget Workshop, Multi-Media Center, 6pm
Wednesday, March 20	Board of Education Regular Meeting, Multi-Media Center, 6 p.m.
Thursday, April 4	Budget Workshop, Multi-Media Center, 6pm
Wednesday, April 24	Board of Education Meeting, Multi-Media Center, 6 p.m.
Thursday, April 25	Budget Q&A, Big Flats Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Monday, April 29	Budget Q&A, Horseheads Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 30	Budget Q&A, Horseheads Village Hall, 7 p.m.
Thursday, May 2	Budget Q&A, Erin Town Hall, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 8	(tentative) Board of Education Candidates' Forum, Multi-Media Center, 7 p.m.
Thursday, May 9	Public Hearing, Multi-Media Center, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, May 21	Budget Vote/Board of Education Election, High School South Gym, 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

For more information on the proposed budget, including videos and presentations from the Board of Education meetings above, please visit the district website at <http://www.horseheadsdistrict.com/2019-20%20Budget%20Information.cfm?school=District>.

SENIOR CLASS NEWS

Senior Prom: Will be held on Saturday, May 18th, in the High School cafeteria and North Gym from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. A full catered dinner and dessert will be provided. Tickets will be on sale at the auditorium box office on May 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Students who reached quota must pick up their tickets at this time. If you plan to bring a date who is not a current Horseheads High School student, a guest registration form must be filled out and returned to Mrs. Lenhardt by May 6th for approval by the principal. Forms can be picked up in the Main Office, Room 204, or can be downloaded from the senior class website. Please note that no person over the age of 20 will be permitted to attend the prom.

Graduation Rehearsal: Will be on Friday, June 21st, at First Arena in Elmira at 10:00 a.m. All graduates must be present for the rehearsal. Work is not an acceptable excuse. Students not present for the rehearsal will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.

Graduation: *Will be held on Saturday, June 22nd, at First Arena in Elmira at 10:00 a.m. Students will be expected to arrive at the Arena at 9:00 a.m.*

Please contact Ms. Tompkins at 739-5601, ext. 1601 or email at jtompkin@horseheadsdistrict.com if you are not going to participate in the graduation ceremony or if you have questions regarding the above information.

MESSAGE TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF SENIORS

As we near the end of our High School career and prepare for our future, there are many important announcements, handouts, and dates to remember. Seniors, it is imperative that you pay close attention to announcements so you are current with the pertinent information that directly affects you and your family. Parents and guardians, please check with your student periodically to learn of new information. Question them and keep after them to provide you with needed information. We all want the award assemblies, banquets, and graduation to run smoothly so we can all enjoy, appreciate, and celebrate your High School accomplishments but we cannot do it without you. If you or your student has any questions regarding senior information, please see Ms. Tompkins in the Main Office, call her at 739-5601, ext. 1601, or email her at jtompkin@horseheadsdistrict.com.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Congratulations to senior **Shoonhsin Li** for being named a National Merit Scholarship Finalist. The selection of some 7,500 Merit Scholarship winners from the group of more than 15,000 Finalists is now in progress.

Great job!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Horseheads Central School District is looking for interested individuals for several job positions: cleaner, bus driver, food service worker, as well as substitute clerical, nurse, cleaner, and food service worker. We seek candidates who are 18 or older, including retired community members. To apply, complete our district application and submit it, along with all required documents, to Human Resources, south wing of Horseheads High School. The district application may be found here: <http://www.horseheadsdistrict.com/uploadeddocs/application.pdf> or picked up at our Human Resources Office. Questions? Email us at hcsdinfo@horseheadsdistrict.com.

HEALTH OFFICE INFORMATION

Meningococcal Vaccination: New York State requires students who are at least 16 years old to get the Meningococcal Immunization. This may be their first Meningococcal, but for a majority of students it is a second as they received one in middle school. The state requirement is for students 16 and older to get the vaccination whether or not they have had it already in middle school. Please submit proof of immunization to the HHS Health Office by email: ctournour@horseheadsdistrict.com, fax: 795-2510, or have your child bring the form to the Health Office.

Sport Physical Registration: Registration for sport physicals is open on Family ID from May 1st to June 19th. You can access Family ID via the Horseheads District website under Athletics. The two physical dates this summer are June 26th from 8am until 12pm and July 2nd from 8am until 12pm. A physical dated on or after August 1, 2018 is required for a fall 2019 sport. If you are getting a physical by your primary medical provider, please do so prior to registering for a fall sport.

RAIDER OF THE MONTH

The High School Student Recognition Committee would like to congratulate the following students for being nominated and accepted as Raider of the Month for February's character trait Trustworthiness. These students were chosen based on staff recommendations for demonstrating trustworthiness such as being honest, showing integrity, being reliable, building a good reputation, and being loyal.

9th Grade: Rose Bolt, Sydnee Coss, Alexis Guzlak, Nathan Parker

10th Grade: Ryan Fidurko, Chris Rice

11th Grade: Deanna Haflett, Kim Owasu, Emery Preston

12th Grade: Emily Bancroft, Adam Cook, Cade Johnson, Haley Lynch

Congratulations!

FOOD SERVICE SURVEY

The GST BOCES Food Service Program is conducting a survey of parents/guardians and students. Please go to this link and choose the appropriate survey button: <http://www.gstboces.org/ms/foodservices/newsite/parentsurvey/?fbclid=IwAR3xZ-7Ed3xP9oeeZNEVpeusEjrWlzi4pxxUtD37EJ1U9NKOZAI5Jcg1858> .

Thank you!

FROM THE CLASS OF 2022

Thank you for your support of a very successful Freshmen Class fundraiser that wrapped up on March 6th. Students sold cookie dough to help raise money for future class activities. Here are freshman class officers putting the "fun" in fundraising!

Important information for parents of next year's seniors:
**Meningococcal vaccine(s) required by
start of school year in September**

Beginning September 1, 2017, 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, 2017.
- 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.*

CALENDAR REMINDERS

Wednesday, March 6, 2019	End of Marking Period 5
Thursday, March 14, 2019	Parents Night - 7pm (Counseling Presentation 6pm)
Friday, March 15, 2019	Conference Day – NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, March 20, 2019	Distribution of Report Cards
Friday, April 5, 2019	End of Marking Period 6
Sat, April 13 – Sunday, April 21, 2019	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
Friday, April 26, 2019	Distribution of Report Cards

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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 Kelly Squires, 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.