

HORSEHEADS HIGH SCHOOL “NOTES”



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COMMENDED STUDENTS

Seniors **Selina Liu**, **Gregory Mockler**, **Cole Pawlak**, and **Belinda Zhang** have been named Commended Students in the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program. About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2019 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2019 competition by taking the 2017 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Congratulations!

GRADUATION NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK!

Although graduation is over 6 months away there are some important changes for the Class of 2019 graduation ceremony. The graduation ceremony is scheduled for **Saturday, June 22, 2019 at 10:00 AM** at the First Arena. We are moving to a morning event to allow families more flexible time for celebratory events on the actual day of graduation. In addition, our ceremony will take place prior to all Regents exams being completed. Therefore all students will be handed a diploma cover and important papers at the ceremony and diplomas will be available for pick up in the Main Office on **Monday, July 1, 2019, from 10am until 2pm.**

CALENDAR CHANGES

CHANGES TO HHS PROM DATES

Junior prom moved from February 9th to **April 6th**

Senior prom moved from April 27th to **May 18th**

SENIOR CLASS NEWS

Ordered items are in and have been given to students to disperse to customers. Prizes for those who earned them are ordered and will be handed out when they are ready. Students should listen for announcements and regularly check school email to get updates.

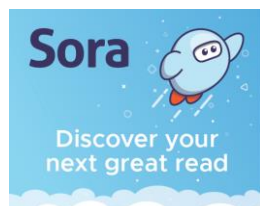
HORSEHEADS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS RELATING TO STUDENT DATA

The District, in compliance with Education Law 2-d, hereby establishes the following Parents' Bill of Rights in regard to student data:

1. A student's personally identifiable information will not be sold or released for any commercial purpose;
2. Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's educational record. Procedures for reviewing student records can be found in the Board Policy entitled "Student Records," Policy 5500, Regulation 5500-R;
3. Security protocols regarding confidentiality of personally identifiable information are currently in place and the safeguards necessary to protect the confidentiality of student data are maintained at industry standards and best practices. The safeguards include but are not limited to encryption, firewalls, and password protection.
4. New York State maintains a complete list of all student data collected by the State and the data is available for public review at www.nysed.gov, or by writing to 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234
5. Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints should be directed to the Superintendent of Schools, One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845.

LIBRARY NEWS



CHECK IT OUT

Announcing a NEW Overdrive digital collection of E-books and Audio-books at the Horseheads High School library! Get a good book anytime, anywhere, on your own device. Download the Sora app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, or go to soraapp.com.

There are two collections you can access as a Horseheads High student. Add both the Horseheads Central School District and the Greater Southern Tier BOCES Shared Collection to find hundreds of titles. Login with your regular district credentials (lastname-firstname and your password). It's easy!

Come to the library for more information. If you have any title recommendations to add to the new collection, Mrs. Frei would love to hear it!



WHAT IS THE RAIDER REMIX?

The Raider Remix is a school store where everything is FREE! It is built upon the idea that if we have “extras” and donate them, other people can benefit and put these things to good use. Anyone is welcome to take anything they need; they can donate or swap later, but that is not a requirement.

We stock all types of gently-used clothing, school supplies, as well as new personal hygiene supplies (shampoo, toothpaste, soap, feminine hygiene products). We appreciate all weather donations that are clean, free of stains or tears, and that will make a teenager feel good about themselves and proud of their appearance. Right now we ask that donations be limited to cold weather clothing: sweatshirts, sweaters, sweatpants, jeans, coats, hats/mittens/gloves, etc. Donations can be dropped off to the Business Office at the District Administration office of the High School South Wing.

The Raider Remix is open every Monday through Wednesday during lunch periods as well as additional after school hours (until 3:30) periodically (watch announcements for these special dates). “Like” us on Facebook for announcements and further information or contact Mrs. Thompson at dthompson@horseheadsdistrict.com.

FRESHMEN CLASS NEWS

Congratulations to the newly elected Freshman Class of 2022 officers...President Sydnee Coss; Vice-President Carly Scott; Secretary Jordyn Robinson; Co-Treasurers Patrick Carpenter and Lanie Perry; and Co-Historians Erin Christmas and Bella Antes.

Several members of the Freshman Class of 2022 participated in Make A Difference day on Saturday October 27th at PetSmart. Together they assisted customers and collected 226 items for our local pet shelters.

HEALTH OFFICE NEWS

- New York State requires students who are at least 16 years old and entering their senior year to receive the Meningococcal Immunization.
- In order to be eligible for a spring sport, a physical dated on or after 3/1/18 is required.

2018-2019 HEALTH EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS

As of July 1, 2018 New York State law requires a health examination for all students **entering the school district for the first time and when entering 9th and 11th grade.**

The examination must be completed by a New York State licensed physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner and on the approved NYSED Student Health Examination Form for School.

- A copy of the health examination must be provided to the school within 30 days from when your child first starts at the school, and when your child starts 9th and 11th grades. If a copy is not given to the school within 30 days, the school will contact you.

- If your child has an appointment for an exam during this school year that is after the first 30 days of school, please notify the Health Office with the date.
- For your convenience, a physical exam form for your health care providers is enclosed.
- Communication between private and school health staff is important for safe and effective care at school. Your healthcare provider may not share health information with school health staff without your signed permission. Please talk to your provider about signing their consent form for the school at the time of your child's appointment for the examination.

We suggest you make copies of the completed forms for your own records before sending them to the school health office.



**HELP SUPPORT THE ARTS BY BECOMING A
PATRON OF HORSEHEADS HIGH SCHOOL
GREENROOM PLAYERS!**



All it takes is a donation of \$25 and you can start reaping the benefits:

- One (1) free ticket (per \$25 donation) to the spring musical.
- The opportunity to reserve seats for the spring musical before the general public at our annual "Parent Ticket Night."
- Patron's name(s) listed in the program for our productions.

To make your donation and keep the legacy of fine theatre alive in the Horseheads School District, simply fill out the form below and send your donation payable to **HHS GRP** to: Michael Hamula, Horseheads Greenroom Players, 401 Fletcher Street, Horseheads, NY 14845.

Name _____

Please write your name as you would like it to appear in the programs:

Email _____

Donation: \$ _____

Phone Number _____

HORSEHEADS – NAKAGAWA SISTER CITIES EXCHANGE

The Horseheads Sister City Association is delighted to announce the 2019 exchange trip to Nakagawa, Japan. The trip will take place in early July and is open to all students in grades 8th – 11th. Application materials can be picked up in the Counseling Office. The Horseheads Sister City is seeking energetic and caring families with students in grades 7th, 8th or 9th grade to host two Japanese students during their March 8 – 16, 2019 visit to Horseheads. There will be an informational meeting at the Middle School library on Thursday, November 1, at 7:00pm for all those interested in March hosting or July travel to Japan. Please email kmurray@horseheadsdistrict.com with any questions.

CALENDAR REMINDERS

Friday	November 2, 2018	End of Marking Period
Monday	November 12, 2018	Veteran's Day – NO SCHOOL
Thursday	November 15, 2018	Distribution of Report Cards
Wed – Sun	November 21 – 25, 2018	Thanksgiving Recess – NO SCHOOL
Friday	December 7, 2018	End of Marking Period
Wednesday	December 19, 2018	Distribution of Report Cards
Mon – Sun	Dec 24, - January 6, 2019	Winter 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 Megan Collins. Mrs. Collins 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 Megan Collins, 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: Megan K. Collins, Director of Human Resources, mcollins@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.