Horseheads Intermediate School

Newsletter

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A message from your Interim Principal

Dear Families,

As we move into October, I want to take a moment to share some positive updates from our school community. I'm pleased to report that our procedures and routines are steadily falling into place, helping to create a safe, organized, and supportive environment for our students and staff. This foundation is crucial as it allows our students to focus on what matters most—their learning and growth.

I am incredibly proud to see our students fully engaged in their lessons each day. They are showing remarkable dedication and enthusiasm, working hard to not only achieve academic success but also to foster a positive and inclusive learning environment for all. Their efforts to support one another, demonstrate kindness, and embrace challenges make our school a special place where everyone can thrive.

I also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the families who joined us for the ice cream social last month. It was such a joy to welcome you back into the building and to share in a fun and relaxed event that brought our community together. The smiles, laughter, and conversations reminded us all of the strength and warmth of our school family.

As we continue through the school year, I look forward to partnering with you to support your children's success. Thank you for your ongoing support, involvement, and trust in our school. Together, we can make this a wonderful year for every student.

Warm regards,

Kim Malone

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- Friday, October 10th ~ No School Superintendent's Conference Day
- Monday, October 13th ~ No School Indigenous Peoples' Day
- Tuesday, October 14th ~ Believe Fundraiser Forms Due
- Tuesday, October 21st ~ PTO Meeting, 6:00pm, IS Library
- Thursday, October 16th ~ Board of Education Meeting, Big Flats Elementary, 6:00pm
- Tuesday, October 21st ~ School Pictures
- Monday, October 27th Thursday, November 13th ~ Texas Roadhouse Gift Card and Rolls PTO Fundraiser

Intermediate School PTO

We are always looking for parents/guardians who would like to help out with school events. This could be as simple as working at the Book Fair or assisting at an event. Everyone is welcome to attend the PTO meetings listed on the district calendar. We appreciate your support and value the partnership! The October Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 21st. Hope to see you there!



Important Information & Reminders

- Halloween celebrations will take place in the afternoon on October 31st. Students are able to bring a school appropriate costume for the afternoon celebration only. Students should not come to school in their costume, and we do not have a parade at this age level. All food/treats at the classroom party will need to be pre-packaged and store bought. More information will be communicated through your child's homeroom teacher.
- Please encourage your child to read. The school's 4K goal is for each student to read 4,000 pages a year at their particular reading level.

Title 1 Annual Notifications - What Families Need to Know

As a Title 1 School, we are committed to keeping families informed about policies and procedures that support student success and family engagement. Each year, we share important information to help families take an active role in their child's learning through Title 1 and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Click the links below to learn more about the following Title I-related documents and resources:

- 1900: Parental and Family Engagement
- 1900-E.1: Parental Involvement, Title I School Level Exhibit
- 1900-R: Title I Parental Involvement Regulation
- ESSA-Funded Programs Complaint Procedures

Your Right to Know

Parents and guardians of students in Title I schools have the right to request important information about their child's education, including:

- The professional qualifications of your child's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals who support instruction.
- Notification if your child has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet state certification or licensure requirements.
- Information about your child's academic achievement and growth on state assessments, if applicable and available.

To request any of this information, families should contact their school's principal. We are committed to keeping families informed and supporting student success.



We would love to recognize student achievements outside of school (sports, dance, scouts, etc.) on our School News Program (WISH TV)! Please email your student's name, photo/videos and information about their achievement to Alyssa Fuller (WISH TV Advisor) afuller@horseheadsdistrict.com

IS Illuminator BINGO Winners in September









Character Trait of the Month:

Responsibilitiy

How to help reinforce responsibility at home:

- Students can do chores at home
- Students should be accountable for doing things in a timely manner
- Teaching time management
- Develop routines and procedures
- Encourage taking initiative



Classifieds

Parent Portal

Would you like to know more about your child's grades and attendance? Join Parent Portal to get access to up to date student records. To set up an account, we must have a valid e-mail address for each parent who would like access. If you haven't already signed up, visit the Main Office. You will be asked to complete a short form and present identification.

Please note: If you checked the Parent Portal box on your child's emergency form, or if you signed up at the school's Open House, you do not need to do anything further. You should have received further information about Parent Portal via e-mail.

Pull Tabs

We will again be collecting aluminum can pull tabs this year. Thanks to all who donated pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Please continue collecting the tabs. Ask friends, neighbors, and relatives to save their tabs too! You can drop them off in the office anytime!

Box Tops for Education

Keep hoarding box tops! Get others involved - ask your friends, neighbors, and family members to collect! Pull tabs can be brought to the office.



PTO Fundraisers

The PTO will be running 2 fundraisers this fall. The Believe Fundraiser will run from Tuesday, September 30th through Tuesday, October 14th. The second fundraiser, Texas Roadhouse Gift Cards and Frozen Rolls fundraiser will run from Monday, October 27th through Thursday, November 13th. We invite you to

November 13^{cm}. We invite you to participate in both, or whichever one suits your family. Thank you for your participation in helping the PTO and provide wonderful events throughout the year for our students!

Classifieds Continued

Help Wanted

Substitute Teachers, Teaching Assistants and Substitute RNs and LPNs needed for per diem work during the school year

Teaching substitutes must meet the following criteria: 1) An Associates' Degree or higher; OR 2) completion of at least 2 years of College; OR 3) Graduated from High School for at least 4 years and completed at least 12 college credits; OR 4) an Honorable Discharge from the military.

Sub RNs and LPNs should bring in evidence of their license.

Rates for Substitute Teachers

The District needs certified teachers for day-to-day substituting opportunities in all of our schools.

- 1. Uncertified Teacher without Four-Year Degree ~ \$120/day
- 2. Uncertified Teacher with Four-Year Degree ~ \$130/day
- 3. Certified Teacher ~ \$140/day
- 4. Retired Teacher from HCSD ~ \$160/day
- 5. Retired Teacher from Another District ~ \$150/day
- 6. Additional Pay for 20 Days of Per Diem Substitute Teaching ~ \$100
- 7. Teaching Assistants ~ \$16.96/hr.
- 8. Retired TA From HCSD ~ \$130/day

To apply, contact Human Resources Office at 739-5601x 4211.

Kim Malone is the Dignity Act Coordinator at the Intermediate School. Caitlin DeFilippo is the Dignity Act Coordinator for the district. All concerns regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying should be directed accordingly.

The Horseheads Central School District offers educational programs without regard to gender, race, color, national origin or disability. Inquiries regarding this policy may be made to Caitlin DeFilippo, Title IX Coordinator, 143 Hibbard Road, Horseheads, NY 14845, or Kelly Squires, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845, (607) 739-5601.

Safe Schools Line

The Horseheads Central School District has a Safe Schools Line for students, parents, and community to use to report rumors, tips, or other items of concern regarding district schools. The service is available twenty-four hours, seven days a week. All calls are anonymous, unless the caller wishes to leave his/her name. The tip line numbers are 795-2044 and 1-800-305-4984 (toll free).



AFTER SCHOOL

Program

Wings of Eagles Discovery Center is excited to offer a dynamic After School Program for 5th and 6th grade students in the Horseheads School District! This fee-based program is led by licensed educational professionals and provides engaging, handson activities designed to spark curiosity in science, technology, and innovation.

Program pick-up time is by 6 PM at the Discovery Center. For more information or to register, contact Nicole today!



Homework Help



STEM
Activities
Transportation
Provided







Contact Now!





