

February 2025

Dear Hortonville High School Parents, Guardians, and Community:

Welcome to 2nd Semester at Hortonville High School. During the 2nd semester, our 9th-11th grade students will be completing state-required assessments during the school day. I will share these dates below, and you will receive communication from the high school about alternative schedules as we get closer to the testing dates.

ACT Test for 11th Grade-March 7thPre-ACT Secure for 9th GradeApril 8thPre-ACT Secure/WI Forward for 10th GradeApril 8th

Please try to avoid appointments and/or absences on this date.

Additionally, you will find a wide array of information from our counseling department regarding parent programs, college information, and ACT prep offerings held by and at Hortonville High School in the upcoming months. You will also find detailed information about college and career offerings, along with a chart that outlines the service-learning requirements for all students before graduation.

Attendance Matters!

As we enter 2nd semester, we want to remind you of the importance of daily school attendance. If your child is healthy, please ensure they come to school every day. Each school day provides valuable learning time and opportunities to connect with teachers and peers.

HASD allows up to 10 excused absences per year. After the 10th absence, a doctor's note will be required for any further absences to be excused. Any unexcused absences may lead to a truancy referral and citation.

Consistent attendance is crucial for student success. Missing even a couple of days each month can result in falling behind in school. If your child is struggling with attendance, we are here to help. Please reach out for support and resources.

Tardies: Students arriving late (15 minutes or less) will be marked tardy. More than 15 minutes late will be an unexcused absence. Students with repeated tardies will receive lunch or after-school detention.

For questions, contact Student Services at 920-779-7933 ext. 13190.

Thank you for supporting your child's education and please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Upcoming Reminders

February 20th-Junior Parent Night In-Person 5:30 pm 4-7 pm College Reps @ HHS

February 20th-Parent Teacher Conferences 4-7pm

February 21st-Parent Teacher Conferences 8-11:30am

February 21st-No School

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Announcements!

Parents: To keep you informed of important happenings at school and in the community, we upload the Announcements daily to the Hortonville High School home page. They contain a great deal of useful information, and we encourage you to read them regularly. <u>Announcements</u>

Notes from the Counseling Office

2024-2025 PARENT PROGRAMS

Parent programs will be virtual live this year with the exception of the FAFSA Parent Night and Junior Parent night. The link for the program will be posted on the High School Webpage by 4:00 the date of the event. Upon completion of the program, presentations will be posted on the High School website under Main Menu |Academic & Career Planning | Parent Presentations (scroll down right-hand side).

Parent Presentations

Junior Parent Night/ACP Open House - February 20, 2025 - In person in conjunction with Parent/Teacher Conferences at

5:30 pm, Business/College Rep Event 4:00-7:00 pm

START COLLEGE NOW AND EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM

Applications for Start College Now and Early College Credit Program classes for the 2025 Fall semester are due no later than

March 1, 2025 at 3:45 pm. Applications are available outside the Counseling Office and on the Counseling website under <u>Dual Enrollment/College Coursework</u>. Information on the Dual Enrollment programs is also available on this site.

YOUTH SERVICE LEARNING HOURS

Seniors should be sure to check with Ms. Lola regarding service learning hours (36 volunteer hours are required for graduation). Service hours must be completed by April 15 for graduation. Several volunteer opportunities are listed on our website on the <u>Youth Service Learning</u> webpage.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Local companies continue to reach out to us with job opportunities they have available, including opportunities for this summer. If you have a student looking for a job, have them check out the bulletin board by the Counseling Office or view the same opportunities on our webpage. More opportunities will be posted as they are received. Job Opportunities

ACT PREP CLASS

The Hortonville ACT Test Prep course is full. There are other locations students can attend a prep course if desired. To see those dates/locations and register, please use this link. <u>ACT Test Prep Registration</u>

Students who wish to do a pretest or retake the test can do so on one of the National ACT Dates below. More information on those dates/sites can be found once your child has created an ACT account online.

UPCOMING NATIONAL ACT TEST DATES

Test Date	Registration Deadline
April 5, 2025	February 28, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025
July 12, 2025	June 6, 2025

UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS

The following colleges have representatives coming to Hortonville High School over the next couple months (additional visits may be added). If your student would like to meet with any of the representatives, have them register in Edficiency (ELT program) or stop by the Counseling Office.

٠	UW - Oshkosh	February 24	1:35 pm
٠	UW - Green Bay (current Seniors only)	February 27	1:35 pm

INSPIRE WI

Inspire WI YA Showcase Tours are happening now! These 90-minute tours give students an exciting glimpse into company culture, a 30-minute guided tour, and insights into Youth Apprenticeships (YA) and other employment opportunities.

Encourage your child to take advantage of this amazing career experience and start building their future today!

Below is the current list of upcoming tours organized by date:

- 1. Pierce Manufacturing
 - Date: February 4, 2025
 - Location: Appleton
 - Details: Open YA Positions in IT, Production, Engineering, and Graphics
 - Registration: <u>https://www.addevent.com/event/gL24513256</u>
 - Note: Registration is currently full, but a waitlist is started! Email Sam to be added to the waitlist.

2. Smith Pharmacy

- Date: February 12, 2024
- Location: Little Chute
- Details: Open YA Positions in Pharmacy Technician
- Registration: https://www.addevent.com/event/HQ24612669

3. Miron Construction

- Date: February 24, 2025
- Location: Appleton
- \circ $\;$ Details: Open YA Positions in Construction and some Engineering
- Registration: <u>https://www.addevent.com/event/Hz24583677</u>

4. Eagle Performance Plastics

- Date: March 12, 2025
- Location: Appleton
- Details: Open Positions in CNC Machining
- Registration: <u>https://www.addevent.com/event/GX24609269</u>

5. A to Z Machine

• Date: March 20, 2025

- Location: Appleton
- Registration: Coming Soon
- 6. Muza Sheet Metal
 - Date: Coming Soon
 - Location: Oshkosh
- 7. Horicon Bank
 - $\circ \quad \text{Date: Coming Soon}$
 - Location: Oshkosh
- 8. Fond du Lac Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - Date: Coming Soon
 - Location: Fond du Lac

9. Kingsbury Inc.

- Date: Coming Soon
- Location: Oshkosh

Don't miss out!



JUNIOR/SENIOR RELEASE

If your Junior or Senior has a Commons in their schedule and they'd like Junior/Senior Release, please have them stop by the Main Office to pick up a Junior/Senior Release Form. Forms should be turned in to the Main Office as soon as possible. See Mr. Herbst with any questions.

Requesting Transcripts

Seniors applying to colleges should request their transcripts either through Xello or ScribOrder. Xello is an Internet-based career exploration and planning tool to explore career and college options and develop a career plan. Instructions for sending a transcript are available on the HHS website under Main Menu |Academics | Transcript Requests. <u>Transcripts</u>

SCHOLARSHIPS

Did you know we have a Scholarships & Financial Aid page on our website? A list of scholarships, received from outside sources, is compiled, and updated weekly. It contains information regarding the scholarship amount, application criteria and deadlines. On that page, there are also links to local foundations pages, national scholarship sites and FAFSA information. The page is posted on the HHS website under Main Menu | Academic & Career Planning | Scholarships & Financial Aid. <u>Scholarships</u>

Students were emailed the following scholarship information in early December:

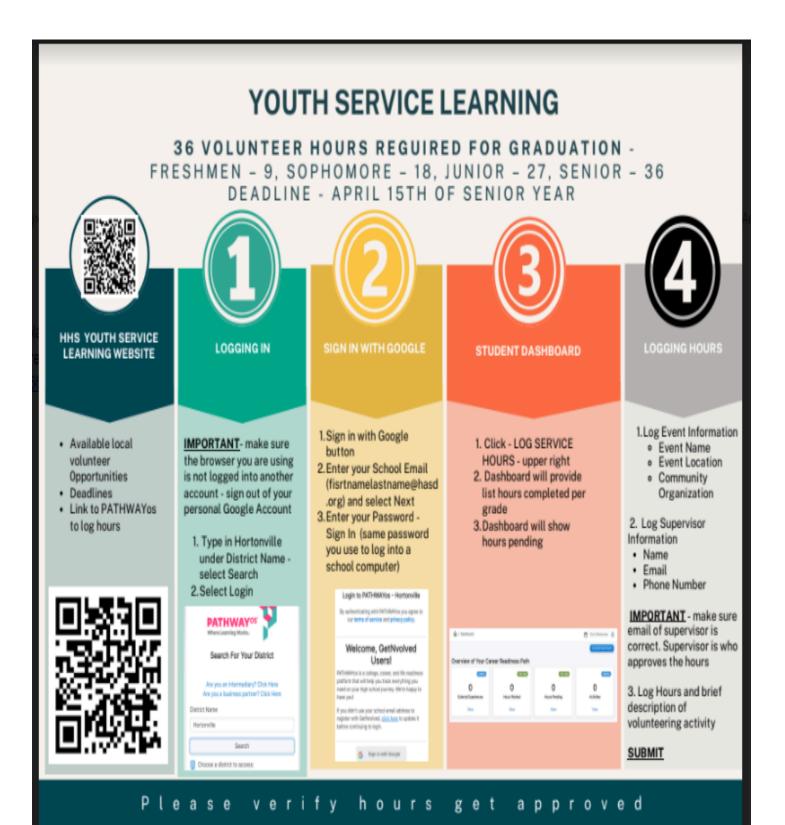
Community Foundation for the Fox Cities: The Community Foundation organizes scholarships from around the Valley. Most scholarship applications on their scholarship portal opened on December 1st! Click here or search Hortonville High School to see which ones you qualify for: <u>Community Foundation for the Fox Cities</u>

You apply for many of these scholarships with the *Community Foundation Universal Scholarship Application* which is on the Community Foundation website.

The Local Scholarship Application! This is an application you for sure want to fill out if you are going to a college or tech school next fall! There are many of our local scholarships selected from this one application! *I would recommend opening and completing this on a laptop or desktop computer, not your phone*. Upon opening the application, you will be required to make a copy of it. Once in the application, review the steps carefully. The scholarship will not be accepted written, it must be typed with the exception of signatures. Once completed, printed (single-sided), signed and paperclipped, turn it into the Counseling Office. This application is **due Friday, January 31, 2025 at 3:45 pm**. Late applications WILL NOT be accepted.

Local Scholarship Application

Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship: Each year the State of Wisconsin awards The Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship to high school seniors who have the highest demonstrated level of proficiency in technical education subjects. The value of the scholarship is up to \$2,250 per year, to be applied toward tuition for six semesters at a school within the Wisconsin Technical College System. If your student is planning to attend a WI technical college and is interested in being considered for this scholarship, they must fill out the Request for Consideration form and return it to the Counseling Office by Monday, February 10. The form can be found on the Scholarships webpage. <u>Scholarships</u>



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