



## November 2024

Dear Hortonville High School Parents, Guardians and Community:

It is hard to believe that we are quickly closing in on the end of the first quarter for the 2024-2025 school year. The last day of the quarter will be Wednesday, November 6th. Please remember that if your student(s) is taking straight block quarter classes, they will receive a final grade after November 6th. If your student(s) is taking Red/White offerings, this reported grade will be a progress report, with a finalized grade reported after January 24th.

In this newsletter, you will find a wide array of information from our counseling department regarding parent programs, college information, and ACT prep offerings that are being 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.

I have also shared information about Inspire WI, a program that helps connect students to local businesses and industries within the Fox Valley and beyond. We will have grade-level meetings during ELT in September to inform students about this opportunity and the process for exploring and learning more about these opportunities.

Lastly, I have included a reminder of the attendance policy and expectations for the school year. It has been an exceptionally great start to our school year, and I thank everyone for their work and focus on getting our students to attend daily.

### Senior Photo Deadline

Seniors! Your senior photo is due to the yearbook staff by December 1, 2024. When choosing and submitting your photo, there are a few items to remember.

- The photo must be a vertical pose
- Hortonville yearbook staff does not require a traditional head and shoulders pose, but please select an appropriate pose that will reproduce well.
  - Pictures of the student from farther away or with a car, animal, etc. can look very small on the photo page in the yearbook.
  - Tight close-ups of the face do not tend to print as well as other poses, as the hair and/or chin may be cut out of the picture.
- The submitted photo will also be on the back cover of the student's yearbook, if one is ordered, and may be used for graduation.

Submit a photo by uploading it to the following site:

[seniorpicturesHHS@gmail.com](mailto:seniorpicturesHHS@gmail.com)

- Please name the photo as: lastfirst.jpg

### Upcoming Events:

**November 6<sup>th</sup>-**  
End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

**November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>-**  
No School for Students

**November 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Freshman Parent Night  
Virtual @ 5:30pm

**November 27<sup>th</sup>-**  
Half-Day for Students

**November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>-**  
No School for Students

# Hortonville High School

## Notes from the Counseling Office

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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. [Announcements](#)

#### 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](#)

Freshman Parent Night - November 18, 2024 - Virtual live at 5:30 pm

8th Grade Parent Night - January 6, 2024 - Virtual live at 5:30 pm

Junior Parent Night - February 20, 2024 - In person during P/T Conferences at 5:30 pm, Business/College Rep Event 4:00-7:00 pm

#### YOUTH SERVICE LEARNING

Students are required to have 36 Youth Service Learning hours in order to graduate. These hours can start the day they graduate from 8th grade. They are due in April of their graduation year.

- Hours must be logged in [PATHWAYS](#).
- First semester graduates have a December 1st due date and end of year graduates have an April 15th due date. Hours must be approved prior to these due dates within the [PATHWAYS](#) website.
- 9 hours of service learning must be completed each year to be eligible for Youth Apprenticeship, Work Release, and/or Commons eligibility. (Freshmen – 9, Sophomore – 18, Junior – 27, Senior – 36). Hours must be complete by January 15th for 2nd semester privilege.
- Service Hours should be community-based outside of family commitments. Service Hours may not be approved by a family member or a current HHS Student.
- Link on High School Webpage: [Youth Service Learning](#).

Our Youth Service Learning Coordinator is Ms. Lola. Please contact her with any questions, concerns, or issues regarding your service learning.

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Room D110

[Volunteer Fox Cities](#)

[Volunteer Match](#)

## ACT PREP CLASS

Hortonville High School will once again be a host site for an ACT Prep class. The class is geared toward all Juniors to help prepare them for the ACT test on March 11. The four-day course includes: two days of direct instruction, one full-length practice exam with scoring, and one final day dedicated to additional review of materials and practice examples. **The class will be held Monday, February 24 through Thursday, February 27, 2025, from 4:15-7:15 p.m.** The cost of the class is \$130 or with a writing sample \$160. *There are only five spots left for the course, and spots are filled on a first come first serve basis.* There are other class sites available if these dates at Hortonville do not work for you. To see those dates/locations and register, please use this link. [ACT Test Prep Registration](#)

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
December 14, 2024	November 8, 2024
February 8, 2025	January 3, 2025
April 5, 2025	February 28, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025
July 12, 2025	June 6, 2025

## UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS

The following college has a representative coming to Hortonville High School next month (additional visits may be added). If your student would like to meet with any of the representatives, they can register through our ELT program.

- Michigan Tech November 13 - 1:35 pm

## COLLEGE TOURS

Students are encouraged to schedule college tours on days off in November, which are November 7 and 8. Reservations should be made for tours. They fill quickly, so schedule your appointment as soon as possible. Visit any college website for more information.

## EXPLORE NWTC (NORTHEAST WI TECHNICAL COLLEGE) DAY!

Northeast WI Technical College is hosting Explore NWTC Day on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 from 9 am-12 pm. High school students have the opportunity to visit campus and explore careers with hands-on activities. Students get to choose one career area to explore. Registration is required and closes on Wednesday, November 6.

<https://www.nwtc.edu/events/2024/11/explore-nwtc-day>

## CAREER READINESS CORNER

We are excited to share that CESA 6 has created a resource for high school students and their families. [Career Readiness Corner](#) is a monthly resource designed to provide students and families with valuable insights, tools, and opportunities for post-graduation success. Their goal is to empower students by connecting them with career exploration activities, work-based learning, and pathways to high-demand careers. (See attached pages with more information.)

## INSPIRE WI

We're excited to share an excellent opportunity for your child to explore future career paths through Inspire WI, an ACP tool designed to connect high school students with real-world career experiences. Inspire WI partners with businesses to provide valuable insights into various professions and help students develop essential employability skills. By encouraging your child to participate in these career experiences, you'll support them in making informed decisions about their future careers.

Our Inspire WI business partners are enthusiastic about engaging with students and showcasing potential career paths. To get involved, you can visit the Event Tab on [inspirewi.org](https://inspirewi.org), where a variety of career experiences are available for your child to RSVP and attend.

If you're interested in having your company participate in career events or if you have any questions about Inspire WI, please reach out to our Hortonville High School Inspire WI Consultant, Cyndi Pavelski, at [cpavelski@cesa6.org](mailto:cpavelski@cesa6.org).

## **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.

[Transcripts](#)

## **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. [Scholarships](#)

# Hortonville High School

## Attendance Information 2024-2025

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Attendance matters! - Please help your student by supporting them in daily attendance here at school. If your child is healthy, please support them in getting to school each school day. *Every day of school is an important opportunity for students to learn as well as connect to peers and their teachers.*

HASD allows a maximum of 10 excused absences (all or part of a day) in a school year before requiring a doctor's excuse. **Beginning with the 11th absence, a doctor's note will be required in order for the absence to be excused.** Absences beyond that, without the medical excuse, will be marked unexcused which could potentially lead to a Truancy referral and citation.

We realize some absences are for health or other reasons. Excused and unexcused absences both mean *missing classroom learning time*. Absences can add up. Missing just two days every month puts students at risk of falling behind. *Attending school has a huge impact on student success.*

If your family or your child needs support, please reach out to us for assistance. We have many resources we can connect you to and are happy to help. If your student regularly misses school, we would like to partner with you to improve their attendance so we can keep them engaged and learning.

### Attendance Tips:

- Make sure your students keep a regular bedtime and establish a morning routine.
- Turn off all electronics including TVs, phones, and tablets at bedtime.
- Check with our school nurse or office staff if you are not sure about when to keep your child at home due to illness.
- Avoid scheduling vacations or appointments when school is in session. If your child attends a medical appointment, please ask for a proof of appointment slip upon exit and return that to the school office upon return from the appointment.
- Talk to teachers and counselors for advice if your student feel anxious about going to school.
- Develop a back-up plan for getting your child to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, neighbor, or another parent to take your student to school.

**To report an absence call: 920-779-7940.**

**Tardies** – A tardy will be documented anytime a student is late 15 minutes or less to class (except for ELT). More than 15 minutes late to class is considered an unexcused absence. Students who are consistently tardy to class will receive a lunch (or after school detention) for every 3 tardies. Questions regarding this should be directed to Student Services at 920-779-7940 ext. 11104

# CAREER READINESS CORNER



College &  
Career Readiness

*Your Monthly Guide to Empowering  
Students for Post-Graduation Success:  
Exploring High-Wage, High-Skill, and  
In-Demand Career Pathways*



## YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP INFORMATIONAL WEBINARS

Is your junior or senior ready to take the next step toward an exciting career? The Youth Apprenticeship (YA) program offers a unique opportunity to blend classroom learning with hands-on, real-world experience.

Join us for our virtual informational webinar on **November 12 at 5 PM** to learn more about how this program can set your student up for success.

Don't let your student miss out on this incredible opportunity. Register today and help them start building their future now!

[LEARN MORE ON YA](#)



## ENCOURAGEMENT TO EXPLORE COLLEGE AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

Encourage your student to explore all their options by attending college and technical school visits! These visits offer a firsthand look at campuses, programs, and career paths, giving them the chance to ask important questions about both four-year universities and hands-on technical programs. By attending, your student can make more informed decisions about their future. Support their journey by motivating them to sign up for a visit today—it's a key step toward discovering the best fit for their goals!

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## INSPIRE WI EVENTS- REGISTER NOW AND GET CAREER READY!

Curious about upcoming career exploration opportunities for your student? Staying in the loop is easy! Visit the Inspire WI website to explore exciting career events such as industry tours, leadership breakfasts, virtual career chats, and more.

Registering is simple—just click on the event that interests you and follow the registration link. Stay connected and inspired—your student's next opportunity is just a click away!

[EXPLORE INSPIRE WI](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

11/04/24	FVTC: Agricultural Job Fair
11/07/24	Sargento STEM Careers
11/08/24	A Sustainability Showcase with Ahlstrom
11/11/24	FVTC: Express Admissions Day
11/11/24	UW-Madison: Nursing Virtual Info Session
11/13/24	Bemis Manufacturing Company Tour
11/13/24	FVTC Manufacturing Job Fair
11/13/24	MPTC: EMT/Paramedic/Fire Protection Event
11/14/24	UW-Stevens Point: Music Education Day
11/14/24	Get CHEESY with Masters Gallery Foods
11/18-20/24	WI Operating Engineers Fall Externship
11/19/24	Manufacturing Breakfast with Eagle Performance Plastics
11/20/24	MPTC: Virtual Information Session
11/20/24	UW-Madison: College of Engineering Virtual Info Session
11/21/24	The Johnsonville Experience
11/22/24	Sargento Career Experience
11/22/24	UW-Stevens Point: World Language Fair
11/23/24	UW-Madison: Pharmacy Preview Day

[INSPIRE WI EVENTS  
CAREER CLUSTERS](#)

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MONTHLY](#)

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## EXPLORE YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP (YA) OPPORTUNITIES!

Youth Apprenticeship (YA) provides students with valuable hands-on experience in high-demand industries. These programs blend classroom learning with paid, on-the-job training, allowing students to develop the skills needed for successful careers in over 75 different pathways. Whether your student is interested in college, technical training, or entering the workforce YA can provide them with the tools and resources to make informed decisions. Meet with your YA coordinator to learn more.

[LEARN MORE ON YA](#)



## 5 WAYS TO DISCUSS CAREERS WITH YOUR KIDS AT HOME

Talking to your kids about their future careers can be a daunting task. However, having these discussions early and often can help them make informed decisions and feel supported in their career journey. Here are five ways to discuss careers with your kids, using Inspire Wisconsin (InspireWI.org) and other great resources.

1. Start Early and Keep It Casual
2. Use Resources for Career Exploration
3. Connect Careers to Interests and Strengths  
Encourage Exploration
4. Support Their Exploration and Decision-Making

[CONTINUE READING](#)



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## GET EXCITED ABOUT CAREER EXPLORATION!

Are you looking for ways to help your student explore career options and discover their passions? Inspire WI is here to help! Through our network, students can connect directly with local employers, participate in career-based learning activities, and gain insights into various industries and professions. From virtual career chats to job shadows, Inspire WI offers a range of opportunities for students to explore their interests and plan for the future.

[EXPLORE INSPIRE WI](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 10.01.24 | Dodge Cnty Highway Depart Open House       |
| 10.02.24 | Tour of Belmark's Packaging Innovations    |
| 10.03.24 | Sargento Career Experience                 |
| 10.04.24 | FVTC Aviation Job Fair                     |
| 10.08.24 | Miller Electric Company Tour               |
| 10.08.24 | FVTC Construction Management Job Fair      |
| 10.08.24 | FVTC Open House 2024                       |
| 10.09.24 | Discover MPTC Open House                   |
| 10.10.24 | MPTC Electrical Distribution Field Day     |
| 10.11.24 | Horticulture Experience                    |
| 10.14.24 | Health Science FVTC Healthcare Job Fair    |
| 10.15.24 | Miron Construction: Building Your Future   |
| 10.16.24 | Virtual Career Chat: Diesel Mechanic       |
| 10.16.24 | Multiple Discover MPTC Open House          |
| 10.17.24 | FVTC: Explore IT Careers & Internships     |
| 10.22.24 | Calumet's Law Enforcement Experience       |
| 10.23.24 | MPTC: American Weld Competition            |
| 10.29.24 | Human Resources with Pierce Mfg            |
| 10.29.24 | Local 400: Kick of Your Skills Competition |

[REGISTER TODAY!](#)

# YOUTH SERVICE LEARNING

36 VOLUNTEER HOURS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION -  
FRESHMEN - 9, SOPHOMORE - 18, JUNIOR - 27, SENIOR - 36  
DEADLINE - APRIL 15TH OF SENIOR YEAR



## HHS YOUTH SERVICE LEARNING WEBSITE

- Available local volunteer Opportunities
- Deadlines
- Link to PATHWAYos to log hours



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## LOGGING IN

**IMPORTANT**- make sure the browser you are using is not logged into another account - sign out of your personal Google Account

1. Type in Hortonville under District Name - select Search
2. Select Login

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## SIGN IN WITH GOOGLE

1. Sign in with Google button
2. Enter your School Email (firstname.lastname@hasd.org) and select Next
3. Enter your Password - Sign In (same password you use to log into a school computer)

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## STUDENT DASHBOARD

1. Click - LOG SERVICE HOURS - upper right
2. Dashboard will provide list hours completed per grade
3. Dashboard will show hours pending

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## LOGGING HOURS

1. Log Event Information
  - Event Name
  - Event Location
  - Community Organization
2. Log Supervisor Information
  - Name
  - Email
  - Phone Number

**IMPORTANT** - make sure email of supervisor is correct. Supervisor is who approves the hours

3. Log Hours and brief description of volunteering activity

## SUBMIT

Please verify hours get approved