



## December 2023

Dear Hortonville High School Parents, Guardians, and Community,

As we enter the year's final month, I want to encourage all our stakeholders to attend and support our students as we begin the winter season. Please see the weekly activities/athletics update from Sam Engelland to see where and when our students are competing and performing.

December also means the beginning of the scheduling process for 2024-2025. During ELT, we will share information regarding course options for all our current 9th, 10th, and 11th-grade students and visit classrooms in early January to complete this process. You can find all scheduling information for 2024-2025 in the counseling section of our website.

### School Report Card

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) produces annual report cards for every publicly-funded school and district in Wisconsin. These report cards include data on multiple indicators for multiple years across four priority areas: Achievement, Growth, Target Group Outcomes, and On-track to Graduation.

We are proud to share the Hortonville Area School District Exceeds Expectations on the 2022-2023 DPI Report Card. Each School also receives its own report card and rating. The Report Cards for the Hortonville Area School District are linked to our district website under Curriculum. Thank you for your educational partnership!

### Parent Forum

During the 2023-2024 school year, the high school administration will again conduct Parent Forums on the second Monday of each month from 5 p.m.-6 p.m. These sessions provide parents/guardians with an opportunity to learn more about the events and happenings at HHS.

### Attendance Reminder

Attendance matters! - Please help your students 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 school day is an essential opportunity for students to learn and connect with peers and 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.

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

Please visit or contact us if you have any questions or want to learn more about Hortonville High School

RollBears!

Tim Rietveld

### Upcoming Events:

**December 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Parent Forum 5pm

**December 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Scheduling Info in ELT

**December 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
No-School

**January 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Classes Resume

# 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](#)

## Notes from the Counseling Office

### 2023-2024 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 Academics | Informational Presentations.

#### [Informational Presentations](#)

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

FAFSA Parent Night for Seniors - January 22, 2024 - In person at 5:00

Junior Parent Night - February 13, 2024 - In person in conjunction with Parent/Teacher Conferences at 6:00

### ASVAB CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Career Exploration test measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success. Students will be evaluated on eight subtests for a total of 200 items. Subtest areas include General Science, Arithmetic Reasoning, Word Knowledge, Paragraph Comprehension, Mathematics Knowledge, Electronics Information, Auto and Shop Information, and Mechanical Comprehension. Hortonville High School will be administering the test to interested **juniors** on **Wednesday, February 7 from 8:45 am - 12:00 pm**, in the Library. There is no fee to take the test. If your student is interested, please have them sign up in the Counseling Office by January 12.

### 2024-2025 COURSE REGISTRATION

Hard to believe, but course registration for next school year is already upon us! Your students will be receiving information on registering for courses on December 13<sup>th</sup> in their ELT. Students will be asked to take this information home and talk it over with you. Ask your student to discuss course options with you and start a plan of what they'd like to take for classes next school year. **Registration for current Freshmen will be in their English classes the week of January 8. Registration for current Sophomores and Juniors will take place the week of January 15 in ELT.** Please help prepare your student accordingly. Students should put thought and consideration into their course selection as well as alternative options. With block scheduling it has proven to be difficult to alter schedules once they have been established. A Skylert containing registration information will be sent to parents mid-December. Please watch for that email. If you have questions, feel free to reach out to the Counseling Office.

### 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 12. 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 26 through Thursday, February 29, 2023, from 4:00-7:15 p.m.** The cost of the class is \$130 or with a writing sample \$160. There is limited seating available, and spots are filled on a first come first served 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 pre-test 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.

## NATIONAL ACT TEST DATES

### Test Date

February 10, 2024  
April 13, 2024  
June 8, 2024  
July 13, 2024

### Registration Deadline

January 5, 2024  
March 8, 2024  
May 3, 2024  
June 7, 2024

## INSPIRE WI NEWS

Visit [inspirewi.org/!](https://inspirewi.org/)

Inspire WI is a tool that your child should be using to connect with local companies in order to find a path after high school.

Watch this video to learn more about all the business and industry connections your student can make while attending Hortonville High School.

[Your Success Starts Here \(students\)](#) (Video)

Job Shadows are an excellent opportunity for high school students to learn about careers they may be interested in. If your student would like to request a job shadow experience through Inspire WI, please watch this video.

[How to Submit a Student Request](#) (Video)

If you have any questions about Inspire WI, please reach out to Cyndi Pavelski at [cpavelski@cesa6.org](mailto:cpavelski@cesa6.org)

## 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 [Transeo](#).
- 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 [Transeo](#) 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. St. John. Please contact her with any questions, concerns, or issues regarding your service learning.

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[Volunteer Fox Cities](#)  
[Volunteer Match](#)

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Local companies have reached out to us with job opportunities they have available. If you have a student looking for a job, have them check out the bulletin board or view the same opportunities on our webpage.

[Work and Volunteer Opportunities](#)

# SENIORS

## **REQUESTING TRANSCRIPTS**

Seniors applying to colleges should request their transcripts either through Xello or our newest platform, ScribOrder. Xello is an Internet-based career exploration and planning tool to explore career and college options and develop a career plan. Xello can be accessed from school, home, or wherever students have access to the Internet. There are many tools available for Academic and Career Planning. Instructions for sending a transcript are available on the HHS website under Academics | Transcripts. [Transcripts](#)

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

A list of scholarships, received from outside sources, is compiled, and updated weekly. The list, which contains information regarding the amount, application criteria and deadlines, is posted on the HHS website under Academics | Scholarships & Financial Aid. The Local Scholarship Application, which encompasses several scholarships from individuals/organizations in the area, will be available online December 1. [Scholarships](#)