### **MARSHMEN MINUTE - March 2024**

Hello Horicon Families! March is here and with it SPRING is around the corner. This addition of the Marshmen Minute will highlight some accomplishments from our students and programs as we recognize their hard work, preparation, and talents! We thank them for sharing their gifts and our advisors, coaches and teachers for their leadership in helping to develop and guide their talents. I have also included the 2024-25 Calendar for your information in this edition. I have included the link to share the work that our most recent Strategic Planning Committee developed on Monday, February 19th, as they reviewed our previous Strategic Plans and refocused for the future. Thank you to all who shared of their time and ideas in this work.

We are entering our state mandated TESTING Season when most of our students from the elementary school through juniors are asked to perform to the best of their abilities on standardized tests that will show how they are performing on the state standards and how we as a district are doing. These results do reflect on our State Report Card issued in the fall by the DPI. We encourage our students to get a <u>good night sleep</u> and enjoy a <u>good meal</u> so that they are at their physical best to show their knowledge on these exams. Thank you parents for all you do to support your students through these days!



### **SUMMER SCHOOL 2024 Information**

Get ready...get set...Summer School 2024 registration will open on or before NEXT WEEK FRIDAY, March 15! Look for an email with the registration link and get signed up! We are excited about our 2024 offerings, which include some old favorites and new surprises! Mrs. Sawyer will be sending reading/math support information home early next week to students invited to get some extra skills practice. Breakfast and lunch will continue to be free. New this year: Lunch ends at 12:20 and the afternoon skills and drills/credit recovery will also end by 3:15. These times are earlier than in the past. Please make your travel accommodations accordingly, as there will be no summer school busing. IMPORTANT: YOU MUST UPDATE YOUR CHILD'S GRADE AND EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION in the summer school registration so that we have an accurate way to contact you!

### **Upcoming Events:**

Please follow our calendar of activities by clicking here: Horicon Activities

### **Some Important Dates to Note:**

- March 11 ACT Testing Day for all Juniors
- March 14 Marshmen Community Coffee
- March 18 Board of Education Meeting
- March 22 Early Release Day and start of Spring Break
- March 15-17 MS/HS Musical production "Annie"
- March 25-29 SPRING BREAK No School

### Marshmen Community Coffee

Join Mr. Appel, Horicon School District Superintendent, from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM in the District Board Room at the Horicon School District (please use the District Office Entrance by the three flag poles) on Thursday, March 14, 2024, for coffee, conversation, and a short school-focused presentation. Registration is not needed and all ages are invited.

As always - If you have any questions or comments please contact me! It's great to be a Marshmen!

**Rich Appel - Superintendent of Horicon Schools** 



Important



### School District of Horicon Introducing our New RADIO Program Marsh Talk with Superintendent Rich Appel & Mayor Josh Maas

We are excited to announce Marsh Talk Radio which will be featured on 95.3 WBEV powered by Daily Dodge! You can listen to the February Marsh Talk Program here: <u>https://dailydodge.com/audio/paid-programs-audio/</u> Tune in every third Wednesday at 11:10 AM to hear Mr. Appel and Mayor Maas who will share the latest happenings in the School District and the City of Horicon. This program is being funded by our New Marshmen Foundation, City of Horicon and the School District of Horicon. Take a listen to some of our students who took part in the promos by clicking the links below.

https://bit.ly/MarshTalkSpot1

https://bit.ly/MarshTalkSpot2

Our students are also featured in the photo. From left to right are: Mary Gratton, Bryna Walters, Denny Gil, Braden Warzala, Elaine Burroughs, & Kyra Mlejnek.









## **Strategic Planning 2024**

On Monday February 19th, 26 members of our school / community reviewed our current District Strategic Plan and developed a new path for the future. Please see the plan that is linked to our District website here: <u>http://www.horicon.k12.wi.us/district/SP%20Final.pdf</u>



## We are so proud to share that Mrs. Daley has been named Teacher of the Month! Congratulations!







### **Horicon High School Winter Sports Accolades!**

### **State Bound Girls Wrestling**

Cyri Reinwald, Kylee Firari, Ruby Brandt and Hailey Firari are pictured before their departure to the Kohl Center in Madison.



### All Conference Girls Basketball



### **All Conference Boys Basketball**



AJ Bushkie 2023-24 1st Team All Conference Class of 2024 | Horicon High School 11.8 PPG | 4.6 RPG | 5.0 APG







Carter Schwartz 2023-24 2nd Team All Conference Class of 2024 | Horicon High School 15.4 PPG | 6.1 RPG | 2.1 SPG





Landon Strieff 2023-24 Honorable Mention All Conference Class of 2024 | Horicon High School 10.8 PPG | 4.4 RPG | 1.9 SPG





# Horicon School Happenings... Academic Bowl and Math Team

High School: Congratulations to the Horicon Academic Bowl Team on their 3rd Place Overall finish in the Trailways Conference Academic Bowl Competition in Oakfield. Congratulations to their advisor Mr. Mauer and our students for their efforts!

Holly Stam received 1st Place All-Conference in Chemistry

Elizabeth Braun received 2nd Place All-Conference in Mixed ELA

Eden Robinson received 2nd Place AC in Grammar/Vocab

Quentin Fitz received 3rd Place AC in Biology

Braden Warzala received 3rd Place AC in US History

The Science Team (Owen Wagner, Holly Stam, Quinton Bradley, Quentin Fitz) 1st Place AC

The Language Arts Team (Basil Christ, Elizabeth Braun, Eden Robinson, Emily Settingsgaard) 2nd Place AC

The Current Events Team (Bella Livieri, Lizzie Gibbs, Braden Warzala) 2nd Place AC

Congratulations on a very successful competition.



First Team All Conference Science Team: Quentin Fitz, Quintin Bradley, Owen Wagner, and First Place All Conference: Holly Stam



Second Team All Conference English Team: 2nd Team All Conference English Team: Eden Robinson, Emily Settingsgaard, Elizabeth Braun, and Basil Christ



2nd Team All Conference Current Events Team: Braden Warzala, Bella Livieri, Lizzie Gibbs



2024 Horicon HS Math Team with COACH Cano

## **Horicon School Happenings...**

Horicon FFA Members participated in the 2024 Gator Wars Contest hosted by Ballweg Implement of Waupun and John Deere. Gator Wars is a contest where students are tested on their mechanical, electrical, and manual reading skills. Students had the opportunity to answer 20 questions about a tractor, solve an electrical problem, properly gap and torque a spark plug, and problem-solve gears and chains. Students also learned about the many career opportunities available to them through John Deere as we toured Ballweg Implement. MATC and Fox Valley Tech were present to answer any questions students may have about furthering their education. Several schools participated, each bringing up to three teams. Horicon sent three teams.

### **Team 1 - Placing 3rd Overall**

- Alex Dombeck-Weingart
- Breckin Hinz
- Andrew Hoefs
- Micheal Baum

- Team 2 Placing 4th Overall
  - Evan Kasper
  - Gavin Lessard
  - Miranda Giese
  - Lucas Wald

- **Team 3 The Rookies** 
  - Austin Gehring
  - Caiden Vanderhei
  - Dominic Wenninger
  - Alex Barnhill







## Friends of the Library Sasquatch

Mr. Boehmer's Advanced Woods class made giant Bigfoots for the Friends of the Library Program. Material was donated by Ace Hardware in Horicon. They will be raffled off with proceeds going to the Horicon library.





Michael Baum, Cole Hull, Maggie Kane, Aaron Anderson, Andy Hoefs, Tyler Davis, Jon Gratton, and Mr. Boehmer





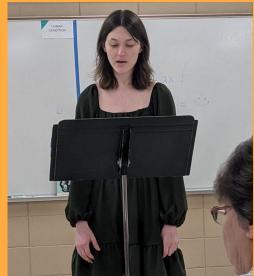
# Horicon School Happenings...

On Saturday, March 2nd, band and choir students from Horicon High School and Middle School traveled to Omro High School for the Flyway Conference's Solo and Ensemble Festival. All students came home with gold and silver medals. Special recognition goes out to these state-bound students: Mary Gratton for her classical solo and music theatre solo; Natalie Spettel for her classical solo; Kyra Mlejnek for her classical solo; Owen Wagner for his flute solo; and Katelyn Trotter and Adriana Nicolaus for their woodwind duet.













### **Horicon HS Ice Fishing Club**

Congratulations to the Horicon Ice Fishing Team that fished in the State tournament the weekend of February 24-25th. Thank you to our advisors: Brian Berggren, Jeff Wolf and Rick Herbst for mentoring our young anglers!















### Enjoy a Parent's Day Out on Sunday, March 17th! See details below:



Hosted by FBLA as a Club Fundraiser.



Date: March 17th (St.Patrick's Day) Time: 11:00am-2:00pm Admission: \$20 (lunch, snacks + games included) Location: Horicon High School Occasion: Enjoy your day off and let your children enjoy some extra fun! \*\*\*Cash or checks (write out to "Horicon High School" in memo write FBLA) PLEASE BRING PAYMENT TO PARENTS DAY OUT DROP OFF.

PLEASE RSVP TO EVENT BY MARCH 11th. (Must have 18 registration to host event.)

Parents Name & Signature:

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List any allergies:

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Specific Needs?

Child(s) names\_\_\_\_\_

### Social Media Reminder:

We often spend a large portion of our time at school responding to student social media interactions that sometimes are due to negative / unkind posts or communication. Likewise, we also have to do the same for some social media posts by our community members and parents. Please consider contacting your school administrator before going online for a public debate of how an issue may have upset you. We ask this of our children, and ask this same consideration from our adults. Oftentimes there is another side of the story when one thinks that nothing has been done or disagrees with a decision. Your school district staff would appreciate the benefit of the doubt sent their way and trust in their good-hearted intent towards our students, families and community. Thank you for this consideration.



### Horicon Marshmen Outstanding Alumni Wall of Fame



Horicon Marshmen Athletic Wall of Fame Nominations are now OPEN!

If you'd like to nominate that special Marshman or Marshlady be sure to pick up an application! Deadline is March 15, 2024!

Applications can be found on our website: <u>https://www.horicon.k12.wi.us/high/</u> or you can stop in at the District Office or the High School Office for an application.



## **Horicon School Happenings...**



Save the Date: May 3rd **Elementary Fun** Run! To Make a **Donation Contact** the Elementary **Office!** 

Save the Date: May 17th End of Year **PTO School** Carnival



**Daddy Warbucks and Annie Share a moment!** 

### Horicon High School Presents:



Friday, March 15th at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, March 16th at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, March 17th at 2:00 p.m.

\$7 General Admission: \$5 Students/Senior Citizens Tickets are available at Horicon Ace Hardware

### Join the Horicon PTO! Email horiconpto@gmail.com for more information!



### We're Hiring! Join our Team!

### School District of Horicon **Food Server**

### 2023-24 School Year

#### Job duties include but not limited to:

- Wash all dishes and cookware related to the food service program.
- Assist serving food when required.
- Assist in replenishing service lines. Report any failures to maintain proper food safety practices to Food Service Director.
- Assists in daily clean up and sanitary processes.
- Assume responsibility for maintaining and practicing the highest quality of safety and cleanliness procedures
- Maintain all production sheets correctly.
- Attend mandatory training as directed by the Food Service Director.

- Benefits: **Enrollment in the Wisconsin Retirement System**
- **Group Life Insurance**
- Tax Sheltered Annuity 403(b)
- Paid Time Off (Sick and Personal leave)
- **Paid Holidays**

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Apply via WECAN -Part Time - 5.5 hrs./day https://www.wecan.waspa.org/ Vacancy ID - 199295

Starting wage range (based on experience): Server - \$13.85/hr.



### SCHOOL DISTRICT of HORICON 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

#### Approved January 15, 2024 Option A - Revised

#### August

- New Teacher Orientation 7:30 AM-3:00 PM 20
- District Retreat 7:30-3:00 pm 22
- 26-30 Professional Development
- Professional Development 11 AM-5 PM 28
- 28 District Open House 5-7 PM

#### September

No School for Students/Staff - Labor Day First Day of School 3

#### October

- 22 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30 PM
- 24 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30 PM
- 25 No School/Teacher Professional Development

#### November

- End of 1st Quarter 1
- í Early Release for Students Lunch Will Be Served Elementary Students Dismissed at 12:20 PM MS/HS Students Dismissed at 12:30 PM
- 27 No School for Students/Staff
- No School for Students/Staff Thanksgiving 28 No School for Students/Staff
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#### December

23-31 No School Winter Break

#### January

- No School Winter Break 1
- School Resumes 2
- 17 End of 2nd Quarter
- 17 Early Release for Students/ Lunch will be served Elementary Students Dismissed at 12:20 PM MS/HS Students Dismissed at 12:30 PM
- No School/ M.L. King Jr Day 20 Teacher Professional Development

#### February

- No School/Teacher Professional Development 14
- 17 No School/ President's Day
  - Teacher Professional Development Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30 PM
- 25 27 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30 PM

#### March

- End of 3rd Quarter 21
  - Early Release for Students/ Lunch will be served Elementary Students Dismissed at 12:20 PM MS/HS Students Dismissed at 12:30 PM
- 24-28 No School Spring Break

#### April

No School 18

#### May

- High School Graduation 1:00 PM 17
- 23 Last Day of School for Students
- Early Release for Students/ Lunch will be served Elementary Students Dismissed at 12:20 PM MS/HS Students Dismissed at 12:30 PM Teacher Report & Planning 12:30-3:00 PM
- 26 No School - Memorial Day
- 27-28 Teacher Professional Development

#### June

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#### **Daily Schedule for Students**

Monday - Friday 4KDG through 5th grade 8:00AM - 3:10PM

Middle & High Schools 7:50AM - 3:19 PM

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