HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL - THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7TH - SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2026

This Weekly Bulletin provides a comprehensive overview of the upcoming week at Harrison High School, highlighting important events, opportunities, and updates in one place.

Dear Harrison High School Community,

What a wonderful first few days it has been at Harrison High School! After spending Monday and Tuesday together as a faculty and staff preparing for the year ahead, there was nothing quite like seeing our hallways filled with students again on Wednesday. Classrooms came back to life, friends reconnected, new relationships began to form, and the energy that makes HHS such a special place returned almost instantly.

This morning brought one of my favorite moments of our opening week as I joined the Class of 2027 for Senior Sunrise. Traditionally, Senior Sunrise has taken place on the last day of school, but this year's seniors decided to reimagine the tradition. They wanted to begin their senior year together with a sunrise and, just as importantly, make it an official class event so that every member of the Class of 2027 was invited and had the opportunity to be part of it. Watching our seniors gather together as the sun came up and then head inside for breakfast was a pretty special way to begin their final year at HHS. They are planning to bookend the year with a new tradition, Senior Sunset on their last day of school. I love the idea of beginning and ending this important year together, from sunrise to sunset.

We also began our Grade Level Meetings today with our freshmen and juniors, with our sophomores and seniors coming together next Tuesday. Across all four meetings, we are reinforcing the important role each student plays in shaping our school community and the experience we create for one another every day. Our students do not simply attend Harrison High School. They help create it.

And if the length of this week's Bulletin is any indication, we are already up and running at full speed! Our clubs and extracurricular activities are getting underway, fall athletics are in full swing, and there are already countless opportunities for students to find something that interests them and become involved in the life of our school. Our seniors have also jumped right into the college application process, with counselor meetings, college application support, Financial Aid Night, a College Essay Workshop, and an incredible number of college representatives scheduled to visit HHS in the coming weeks. I encourage students and families to spend some time looking through this week's Bulletin. There is a lot happening, and we don't want anyone to miss an opportunity to participate.

Finally, I would like to extend a special thank you to our HHS PTA for helping make our return to school feel so welcoming. From the wonderful Welcome Back sign greeting our community as we entered campus to today's breakfast for our faculty and staff, we are incredibly grateful for the many ways you continue to support our students, faculty, staff, and the entire HHS community.

It is hard to believe we are only three days in. The building is already filled with activity, opportunity, and the unmistakable energy of a new school year. It is wonderful to have our Huskies back, and I cannot wait to see what we create together this year.

Best,
Ms. Beukema

ALL	Monday - Labor Day/ No School Tuesday- Day 4 Wednesday - Day 5 Thursday - Day 6 Friday - Day 1 Congratulations to Tessa Marsico on her acceptance as a Soprano 2 in the New York All-State Mixed Chorus! Tessa was one of roughly 800 students selected for an All-State ensemble this year from an applicant pool of over 6,000 musicians across the state. Congratulations to Tessa on this amazing accomplishment! School will be closed on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day. This week, we pause to remember September 11th, 2001, and the lives forever changed by the events of that day. On Monday, as you enter our campus from Union Avenue, you will see **2,977 American flags** placed on the lawn by members of our **Young Americans for Freedom** student group. Each flag represents one of the 2,977 lives lost in the terrorist attacks of September 11th. Together, the flags offer a powerful visual reminder of the magnitude of that loss and of the individual lives behind a number that can sometimes feel difficult to comprehend. We honor those who lost their lives, the first responders who demonstrated extraordinary courage, and all those who continue to carry the impact of that day. **We remember. We honor. We will never forget.**	
Athletics	Don't forget to check Schedule Galaxy for a list of all athletic events. Go Huskies! Congratulations to Angelina Lingeza, who in the first swim meet of the season as team captain, both broke the school record and qualified for the New York State Championship in the 100 yard Breaststroke. Congratulations Angelina and keep up the great work!	
Club and Student Activities	**Fall Play tryouts** will be held on Wednesday from 3:00pm-5:30pm in the HPAC. All are welcome! **Debate Team interest meeting** is on Wednesday from 2:40 to 3:15 p.m. in D-213. Anyone interested in joining the team this year should come to the meeting. **Imagine Literary Magazine** will have its first interest meeting Wednesday at 2:30 in room D165! Join our Google Classroom with the code gg6enpb. **DECA- Harrison's business club** will be meeting on Wednesday at 2:35 in the Student Union. The DECA club's Google Classroom code is c7vmsd7g.	

	CAS orientation will be taking place on Wednesday from 2:45PM- 3:45PM in the Student Union. Please bring your handbook and something to write with. **The Philosophy Club** will have their first meeting on Thursday, after school (2:40) in room D221. **Model Congress** is holding an interest meeting on Thursday at 2:30pm in D176 at 2:30. No prior experience is required and all are welcome to attend! If you'd like to produce content for the High School's social media outlets, there will be an interest meeting for **The Husky Media Club** on Thursday after school in room D-168. All are welcome. There will be a **Youth 2 Youth Club** Interest meeting on Monday, September 14 after school in B117. Join the Google Classroom with code jbsa3jsf.	
9th Grade		
10th Grade	**Mandatory Grade Level meeting** on Tuesday in the HPAC at 9:15am.	
11th Grade		
12th Grade	**Mandatory Grade Level meeting** on Tuesday in the HPAC at 8:30am. **Senior Parent College meeting** on Tuesday night at 6:30pm in the HPAC. **Mandatory NHS Member meeting** (for current senior members) on Thursday from 2:40pm-3:00pm in the Student Union. **The HHS Senior Parent College Meeting** will take place on **Tuesday at 6:30 PM**. This event is designed for families of 12th-grade students and will provide important information about the next steps in the college application process. The meeting will be held at **Harrison High School** in the **Harrison Performing Arts Center (HPAC)**. On Friday, all senior students will receive similar information during the **school day in small-group sessions with their school counselor.** These meetings will take place in the Small Gym and/or Guidance Classroom (see details below).	

Period 3	Small Gym	Ciallella
Period 4	Small Gym	Grammas
Period 5	Small Gym	Leong
	Guidance Classroom	DiFalco
Period 6	Small Gym	Titus
Period 7	Small Gym	Katzenberg & Logue

Period 8	Small Gym- Extra Help Session (Optional)

Additionally, after the counselor meetings, all students are welcome to attend an extra help session (optional) during period 8, held in the Small Gym. School counselors will be available to assist with various college application-related tasks, including working in the Common Application.

Guidance will also host a College Application Extra-Help session on Tuesday, September 22nd, in the Guidance Classroom after school from 2:30-3:30. All students are welcome to attend.

Mark your calendars for **Financial Aid Night** on **Tuesday, September 15th, at 6:30 PM** in the **HPAC**. Hosted by the HHS Guidance Department, this event will walk families through the basics of financial aid, explain common terms, and outline the documents needed to successfully complete the FAFSA.

College Essay Workshop Fall Session. September 26, 10:00 - 1:00 OR 2:00 - 5:00
In this session, Seniors are given an opportunity to work on their college essay, an integral part of the college application process. From identifying a focus for their essay to developing their ideas and refining their prose, this interactive workshop will provide students the opportunity to begin the process of crafting their college essay. During this workshop, teachers will lead small group sessions, share best writing strategies, and provide personalized feedback on student writing. Students should register through this link https://students.arbitersports.com/programs/2026-summer-college-essay
Please contact Dr. Jaimie Kanter, Director of ELA, at **kanterj@harrisoncsd.org** for more information.

Harrison High School is proud to offer the SAT on Thursday, October 1st, 2026, and the ACT on Thursday, October 8th, 2026, on-site during the school day.

- Ordering information for each of the exams is listed below. Each student's exam will be ordered upon the collection of payment. No refunds will be issued if your child decides not to sit for the exam after the order has been placed. Should you need financial assistance, please call me directly, Kelly Malczewski, Director of Guidance, at 914-630-3092 or email malczewskik@harrisoncsd.org.

  - **The Digital SAT: Thursday, October 1st, 2026;** The cost of the exam is $60. We accept cash or checks as payment. Please make checks payable to Harrison Central School District. **Payment and the paper registration form (available in your email and hard-copy in the Guidance Office) must be submitted to the Guidance Office by the end of the school day on Monday, September 14th. No late registrations will be accepted.**

- **The Online ACT**: Thursday, October 8th, 2026; The exam will be given with the Science section, and without the Writing section. The cost of the exam is $56.25. We accept cash or checks as payment. Please make checks payable to Harrison Central School District. Payment and the paper registration form (available in your email and hard-copy in the Guidance Office) must be submitted to the Guidance Office by the end of the school day on Monday, September 14th. No late registrations will be accepted.

- **Please Note- if your child plans to sit for both the SAT and ACT, separate payments**

	must be made for each.	
Guidance 11th & 12th grades	**COLLEGE VISITS** The following college representatives will be visiting Harrison High School over the next few weeks. If you would like to meet with a college representative, please sign up through Naviance. Be sure to check Naviance regularly for any updates or changes to the visit schedule. **September 14, 2026 — Le Moyne College** **September 14, 2026 — Manhattan University** **September 14, 2026 — Colby College** **September 14, 2026 — American University** **September 15, 2026 — Amherst College** **September 15, 2026 — University of Richmond** **September 15, 2026 — Pace University** **September 15, 2026 — Indiana University-Bloomington** **September 16, 2026 — Elon University** **September 16, 2026 — University of Georgia** **September 16, 2026 — University of Southern California** **September 16, 2026 — University of Southern California** **September 17, 2026 — Western Connecticut State University** **September 17, 2026 — St. Thomas Aquinas College** **September 17, 2026 — Villanova University** **September 17, 2026 — University of New Haven** **September 18, 2026 — New Jersey Institute of Technology** **September 18, 2026 — Hobart and William Smith** **September 18, 2026 — Stony Brook University** **September 18, 2026 — Sacred Heart University**	
Resources	**Lost & Found:** If you have lost an item (jacket, sweatshirt, water bottle, etc.) please check the Lost & Found bin outside the Main Office. **Youth Employment Office:** Genine Ruta, the representative from the Harrison Youth Council Youth Employment Office (YES), will be in the Student Union on Tuesdays (10:30am-12:30pm) and Thursdays (11am- 1pm) starting the week of September 21st. She can assist you in finding local employment. Please feel free to stop by and introduce yourself. **Safe2SpeakUp App:** We encourage all students to download the Safe2SpeakUp app, which provides real-time updates and important safety information during emergencies or drills. The app is free and can be downloaded from the Apple Store or Google Play. Students can easily log in using their Google Credentials through Single Sign-On (SSO). Please use the links below specific to your grade. • Juniors and Seniors • Freshman and Sophomores **CrisisGo Safety APP for Parents:** The Harrison Central School District (HCSD) is making a safety app available for parents to receive safety alerts from their child's school. The CrisisGo Safety app will inform you of school safety matters and provide reliable, timely updates in the event of an emergency. The Crisis Go app is free to download by following the steps outlined in this link.	

Frequently used telephone numbers:

- **Attendance: 914-630-3117/3118**
- **Guidance: 914-630-3101**
- **Nurse: 914-630-3123**
- **Main Office: 914-630-3095**