HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL - THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 12TH - OCTOBER 16TH, 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,

There is something special about Spirit Week at Harrison High School, particularly when it leads into one of our community's most treasured traditions, the Harrison–Rye football game. Dating back to 1929, this rivalry has brought generations of students, families, alumni, and neighbors together and remains one of the most storied high school football rivalries in New York State. While the competition on the field is always spirited, I am especially proud of how the relationship between Harrison and Rye has grown into one of friendly rivalry, mutual respect, and sportsmanship.

Spirit Week is about much more than one football game. It is an opportunity to celebrate what it means to be a Husky and to recognize the pride we share in our entire athletic program, across all sports and seasons. Throughout the week, students are encouraged to participate in our daily spirit themes, beginning with Tuesday's 2016 Throwback Day, followed by Country or Country Club on Wednesday, Pajama Day on Thursday, and Harrison Gear on Friday.

The excitement builds toward our Harrison–Rye Pep Rally on Friday evening at 7:00 PM in the HHS large gym. This is not simply a high school event, but a celebration for families from all of our schools across the Harrison Central School District. I encourage our elementary, middle, and high school families to join us for an evening of school spirit and community pride. The celebration culminates with our traditional bonfire on the lower field, made possible with the support of the Harrison Fire Department. We are grateful to our firefighters for helping us safely carry on a tradition that has become such a memorable part of this weekend.

On Saturday, our Huskies will take the field against Rye at 1:30 PM at Rye High School. Another special part of this tradition is the support of the Harrison Police Department, whose officers proudly escort our team buses to the game and maintain a strong presence in support of our schools throughout the event. Both our Fire and Police Departments are wonderful partners to our schools, and their participation reminds us that this rivalry and the traditions surrounding it extend well beyond the football field.

And the rivalry doesn't end on Saturday! Our JV Football Team will take on Rye on Monday, October 19, at 4:30 PM at the LMK Turf Complex, followed by our JV Soccer Team on Tuesday, October 20, at 4:30 PM on the HHS Upper Turf Field. I encourage our families to come out and support these student athletes as they carry on the tradition of friendly competition and represent Harrison with pride.

One of my favorite additions to this longstanding rivalry is our second annual Harrison–Rye Blood Drive Competition. Last year, Harrison earned the trophy for the most blood donated, and we are hoping to bring it home again! More importantly, this friendly competition has created an opportunity for our two communities to come together for a cause that extends far beyond our schools. Our National Honor Society will host the HHS blood drive for students, faculty, and staff on Wednesday, October 14. Members of the larger Harrison community can also participate by donating at the Rye Donor Center through Tuesday, October 13, making sure to identify their donation as part of the Harrison–Rye competition. The winning community will be announced at Saturday's game, but regardless of which school takes home the trophy, the real winners are the people throughout Westchester who benefit from these donations.

As we head into this exciting week, I hope our students embrace the traditions, participate in the celebrations, and remember that being a Husky is not only about the pride we show in our school, but also about how we represent it through our actions, our relationships, and the way we treat others. Whether in the stands, on the field, or throughout our community, I look forward to seeing that Husky pride on full display.

Have a wonderful weekend, HHS! Go Huskies!

Best,
Ms. Beukema

ALL	Monday - Columbus Day/School closed Tuesday- Day 3 Wednesday - Day 4 Thursday - Day 5 Friday - Day 6 *The HSCD will be closed on Monday, October 12th in observance of Columbus Day.* **The National Honor Society (NHS)** will be hosting the annual student/staff **blood drive** on Wednesday. We are competing against Rye for the most blood donated. Go Huskies! Beat Rye!!! • Members of our larger Harrison community who wish to participate can donate at the **Rye Donor Center through Tuesday, October 13**. Please be sure to let the donor center know that your donation should count toward **Harrison**. **This week is Spirit week!** Check out the daily themes below. Student government officers will be selling Harrison-Rye t-shirts during all lunch periods this week for $15. $5 of the proceeds from each shirt goes to a scholarship in Mark Anthony's name. • Tuesday- 2016 Throwback • Wednesday- Country or Country Club • Thursday- Pajama Day • Friday- Harrison Gear **The Peer Tutoring program** is hosting an **interest meeting and training on Tuesday, October 13, in the guidance classroom after school**. The program is open to Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who would like to help their peers in any academic discipline. If you enjoy helping others, are confident in a particular subject, or would like to gain leadership and service experience, we encourage you to attend! More information about the program, expectations, leadership opportunities, and training will be provided at the meeting. **Picture Retake Day is Friday, October 23rd!** Did you miss the first picture day? Or do you want a new photo because you didn't like your first one? Legacy Studios will be here all day in the HPAC. Please stop by during your lunch or free period. • If you missed it: Come get your photo taken so you are in the yearbook and have a student ID. • If you want a retake: Bring your original picture package with you to show the photographer.	
Athletics	Don't forget to check Schedule Galaxy (click for link) for a list of all athletic events. Go Huskies!	

	The Harrison/Rye Pep Rally will take place Friday night at 7pm in the large gym followed by the bonfire. The game will take place on Saturday at 1:30pm at Rye HS. Go Huskies! Beat Rye! **Harrison–Rye Games: Come Support Our Huskies!** **Varsity Football: Saturday, October 17, at 1:30 PM** • **Location:** Rye High School • **Important Spectator Information:** No bags or purses are permitted at the game. Outside beverages are also prohibited. Please plan accordingly. **JV Football: Monday, October 19, at 4:30 PM** • **Location:** LMK Turf Complex **JV Soccer: Tuesday, October 20, at 4:30 PM** • **Location:** HHS Upper Turf Field We encourage our students, families, and community members to come out and support both our Varsity and JV teams as they take on Rye! Let's fill the stands with Husky pride and demonstrate the sportsmanship that makes this longstanding rivalry so special. **Go Huskies! Beat Rye!** **Varsity/Modified Ice Hockey** will be holding an interest meeting on Oct 28th at 4:30pm in room C131.
Guidance	**Harrison High School will hold its annual College Fair on Wednesday, October 21st,** during the school day. During period 7, students in grades 11 and 12 will attend the fair. During period 8, 10th graders will attend. • An updated list of participating schools will be available in the **HHS Weekly Bulletin on Friday, October 16th.** • The PTA is looking for volunteers and donations. Please click on the link so you can sign up!  We would also like to share that the **Southern Westchester College Conference will take place on Tuesday, October 20th, from 6:00-8:30 PM at the Westchester County Center.** All students and families are welcome to attend. For more information and a list of participating colleges, please visit the College Conference website. As a reminder, 11th and 12th-graders are encouraged to attend **College Visits at the HHS Guidance Office** throughout the Fall. These visits provide a valuable opportunity for students to connect directly with college representatives and gain meaningful perspectives on campus life, academic programs, and the admissions process. For a list of upcoming visits, please check each week's HHS Weekly Bulletin, Naviance, or the Guidance Office. Students can register to attend through Naviance or in the Guidance Office. For any questions, please contact your child's school counselor or Ms. Papa in the Guidance Office at papac@harrisoncsd.org or 914-630-3345. **COLLEGE VISITS** ***(11th & 12th Grade Only)*** 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.

	October 13, 2026 University of Bridgeport October 13, 2026 The George Washington University October 13, 2026 San Diego State University October 13, 2026 Trinity College October 14, 2026 Tulane University October 14, 2026 Loyola University Maryland October 14, 2026 Bucknell University October 14, 2026 Marist University October 15, 2026 St. John's University October 15, 2026 Mercy University October 15, 2026 Post University October 15, 2026 SUNY Purchase October 16, 2026 University of Maryland-College Park October 16, 2026 Monmouth University October 16, 2026 Merrimack College October 16, 2026 Dominican University October 19, 2026 Worcester Polytechnic Institute October 19, 2026 Eastern Connecticut State University October 19, 2026 College of the Holy Cross October 19, 2026 Binghamton University October 20, 2026 Mitchell College October 20, 2026 University of Delaware October 20, 2026 Adelphi University October 20, 2026 Fairleigh Dickinson University-Florham Campus October 22, 2026 University of Florida October 22, 2026 Eckerd College October 22, 2026 Wake Forest University October 22, 2026 John Carroll University October 23, 2026 University of Massachusetts-Boston October 23, 2026 University of Massachusetts-Amherst October 23, 2026 University of Miami October 23, 2026 University of Toronto	
Club and Student Activities	List of Clubs and Student Activities **Congratulations to the HHS Debate Team** on a great showing at Yale University's tournament this past weekend (10/2-4)! Out of over 119 varsity and 49 JV Lincoln-Douglas debaters from around the country, Sebastian Engle placed 6th and earned his first bid to the Tournament of Champions, Kevin Iwanski placed 10th, and Paige Bianchini, Gabi Catanzariti, and Oviya Gandhi also won awards. Good job to all! If you enjoy working with middle school students and need service credit, consider joining **R.O.T.O.Y (Academy).** Join the google classroom link 36qk4pfq and choose a day that works for you. We will meet in the LMK library at around 3 - 3:45 on the day of your choice, Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays. Please email Mrs. Prezioso, preziosr@harrisoncsd.org with any questions.	
9th Grade		
10th Grade		

11th Grade	This year's **PSAT** is on Tuesday, October 27th, 2026. All 11th-grade students are registered for the exam unless you complete the opt-out form. If you haven't completed the opt-out form yet and would like to, please submit it as soon as possible. To help students prepare for the digital testing experience of the PSAT, we will hold a mandatory "**Digital Readiness Check**," required by the College Board, on Thursday, October 15th, in the Small Gym. Each student will attend during the period assigned to their school counselor. Attendance is required and will be taken. • Period 2- Logue • Period 3- DiFalco • Period 4- Grammas • Period 5- Katzenberg • Period 6- Ciallella • Period 7- Leong • Period 8- Titus There are a few important items that students must know/complete ahead of Thursday, October 15th: 1. Students must bring the same device they will be using on the PSAT test day to the "Digital Readiness Check." 2. Students may test with a school-managed device or students may use their own personal device, with the exception of a personal Chromebook. Personal Chromebooks are not allowed for the digital PSAT. If a student needs an approved device, they should sign one out from the HHS Library and should keep the device through the day of the exam. Students may sign out devices starting on Wednesday, October 14th. 3. IMPORTANT: Students must be sure their device is up to date and also download the Bluebook Exam App on the device they will use for testing before attending the Digital Readiness Check. Instructions to download BlueBook can be found at this link: https://bluebook.app.collegeboard.org/. Please note: If a student is using a school-owned Chromebook the Bluebook Exam App is already downloaded on the device. It is viewable on the screen before the student logs in, under "Apps."	
12th Grade	**Senior Rock Picture** will take place 9th period on Tuesday (rain date Wednesday). The HHS Guidance Department is excited to host our annual **FAFSA Completion Events with our partner financial aid counselors** this October! We look forward to welcoming you and supporting you through the FAFSA completion process. If you have any questions, please contact your child's school counselor. • Monday, October 19th, by appointment between 10AM & 1PM • Tuesday, October 20th, 6 PM - 8 PM (no appointment needed) Please RSVP to your school counselor or Ms. Papa in the Guidance Office at 914-630-3345. Please follow these steps at least 72 hours in advance of your appointment or the event: • Step 1. Student and at least one parent must create an FSA ID at: https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch • Step 2. You must have a copy of your 2025 tax returns and W-2s on hand at the	

time of the event.

Please bring a personal laptop, or you may borrow one upon arrival. A Spanish bilingual financial aid counselor will be available at the events. Please notify your counselor if you require additional translation services.

FAFSA & TAP Are Now Open

- The 2027-2028 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the NYS Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) applications are now open. Applying early means students will know their aid eligibility sooner, have time to correct any errors, and provide prospective colleges with information to build their financial aid packages.
- Steps for Students to Apply:
  - Create a StudentAid.gov account.
  - Complete the FAFSA.
  - Use the state link at the end to complete the TAP application.
- Students who don't meet citizenship or residency requirements may still qualify for New York State financial aid through alternate pathways, like the NYS DREAM Act or the Alternate Eligibility Path. Visit the Applying for Aid webpage to learn more.
- Students can also attend one of HESC's virtual FAFSA/TAP completion events for help completing the applications.
- Students can also sign up to receive texts from HESC with key information about financial aid, important deadline dates, and resources.

Resources

Lost & Found: If you have lost an item (jacket, sweatshirt, water bottle, etc.) please check the Lost & Found bin outside the Main Office.

Late Bus Schedule: The Late Bus is available for students who participate in after school activities.

Youth Employment Office: Genine Ruta, the representative from the Harrison Youth Employment Office (YES), will be in the Student Union on Tuesdays (10:30am-12:30pm) and Thursdays (11am- 1pm). 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: 914-630-3117/3118/3326
- Guidance: 914-630-3101
- Nurse: 914-630-3123

- Main Office: 914-630-3095