

Tolland Public Schools

Superintendent Willett's Weekly Brief



Where Excellence Is Achieved Through Each Individual's Success

UPDATE FOR NOVEMBER 11, 2019

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EYE ON THE WEATHER THIS WEEK:

Forecast	Chance of weather impacting the school day
MONDAY: Partly sunny to mostly cloudy 50's	LOW
TUESDAY: Morning rain mixes with changes to snow from northwest to southeast from midmorning to early afternoon, temps in 30s. Coating to an inch on grassy surfaces to three inches.	MODERATE
WEDNESDAY: Partly sunny, windy, cold 25 – 30s	LOW
THURSDAY: Partly sunny and Cold 35 – 40s	LOW
FRIDAY: Partly sunny, 40s	LOW

Here for you: 860-335-2455

INFORMATION OF INTEREST THIS WEEK:



CAPSS SUPERINTENDENT AWARD

The CAPSS Award goes to students who exemplify community service & service to others, academic prowess and leadership.

TMS

Adam Eskin
Anna Gerow

THS

Emily Bliss
Fisher Thompson

SUBSTITUTES ARE NEEDED DISTRICT WIDE

We need teacher, paraprofessional, and custodial substitutes.

You can choose what, where and how often you want to work.

Paper applications are available at the BOE office or can be printed from our website

www.tolland.k12.ct.us

Under District/Human Resources/Substitute Information

Do you know someone that might be interested such as a college student (there is plenty of work over the winter break and/or mid May through end of year) or retired family member.

Please send them our way.

Athletic Openings



We are seeking coaches for the following sports:

Middle School Boys Basketball

Middle School Cheerleading

**High School Varsity Baseball Coach
 High School Varsity Outdoor Track Coach
 for the Tolland Public Schools Athletic Program**
**These positions require Connecticut State Coaching Certification
 Current CPR and First Aid Courses**
For more information and to apply visit our website at
www.tolland.k12.ct.us
District Offices/Human Resources/Employment Opportunities

Custodian Job Opening – 2nd shift-Full time with benefits

We are seeking two 2nd shift custodians.
 Hours are either 2:30pm to 10:30pm or 3:00pm to 11:00pm during the school year.
 AND either 6:30am-2:30pm or 7:00am – 3:00pm during the summer.

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EOE

Help Wanted at the Family Resource Center

The Family Resource Center is seeking help for the before and after school program. The Family Resource Center runs out of both Birch Grove Primary School and Tolland Intermediate School. Hour would be either 7am – 8:30am or 3:15pm – 5:45pm. Starting hourly pay for Aides is \$11.00 and \$15.00 for Senior Aides.

Questions can be direct to Carol Hiller at Tolland Intermediate School 860-870-6885 or chiller@tolland.k12.ct.us

PJ Day

December 13, 2019 – [Click Here](#) to donate or bring \$1.00 to school on December 13 to wear your pajamas to school!

We are excited to raise money for Connecticut Children’s and get our name on the PJ Day map! We look forward to joining with other schools and businesses across the state to honor patients who must wear their pajamas for days, weeks, or longer while fighting cancer or other serious illnesses and to raise money for Connecticut Children’s Medical

Center.

We hope you will consider making a donation in honor the young patients who turn to Connecticut Children's for hope. Help us help kids who need it most!

Over the last 7 years, PJ Day has raised more than \$375,000 for the Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders at Connecticut Children's Medical Center! Together, we can make a difference for these courageous kids!

[FRC-TERAC-Refreshments and Conversations](#)

[Hat and Mitten Drive](#)

[HVCC Donations Needed](#)

[Silhouette Portraits](#)

[Tolland Project Graduation Can and Bottle Drive](#)

[Foodshare Turkey Drive](#)

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

New Birch Grove Primary School

WHO: Town Officials, School Administrators,
Building Committee, Birch Grove Students

WHAT: Groundbreaking for new Birch Grove Primary School

WHERE: Former Birch Grove Primary School site
247 Rhodes Rd., Tolland, CT

WHEN: Thursday, November 14, 2019 3:30PM

Agenda

Opening Remarks: Dr. Walter Willett-Superintendent of Schools

School Song: Students/staff sing school song

Groundbreaking: All participants

Closing Remarks

Dear Parents/Guardians,

There is an upcoming community presentation called Rachel’s Challenge for parents on Tuesday, November 19 at 6:30 in the auditorium at TMS. The organization called Rachel’s Challenge will be visiting TMS and meeting with students and staff during the school day. Rachel's Challenge is an organization in the United States that works to reduce violence. It is a non-religious, non-profit, non-political organization, led by Darrell Scott and his wife Sandy. Rachel Scott was the first student killed in the Columbine High School shooting in 1999. Darrell Scott, Rachel's father, established Rachel's Challenge to perpetuate his daughter's example and the two-page "Code of Ethics" she wrote a month before her death at the hands of the perpetrators of the Columbine High School shooting. This code of ethics had included the words: "Compassion is the greatest form of love humans have to offer” and Darrell Scott has stated his belief in this message forms the basis for what he both speaks at public appearances, and has written as an author.

I hope you will be able to set aside time and join us for this powerful parent presentation on Tuesday, November 12 at 6:30 at our TMS auditorium.

Mary Grande

Upcoming Community Workshops and Events

<p>Lunch with the Superintendent 51 Tolland Green 11:00 am – 12:00 pm</p> <p><u>Click here for information on website-under announcements</u></p>	<p>Budget Workshops Tolland Public Library Program Room 7:00 pm</p> <p><u>Click here for information on website</u></p>	<p>Community Workshops Tolland Public Library Program Room 7:00 pm</p> <p><u>Click Here for more information on the Superintendent Community Workshops</u></p>
<p>December 6, 2019</p>	<p>November 20, 2019</p>	<p>December 5, 2019 Courage to Speak Foundation Presentation <u>Click Here for more Information</u></p>
		<p>DATE-February 5, 2019 True Colors</p>

		<p>A conversation about gender</p> <p>This family-friendly workshop will explore the new language of gender. We will talk about emerging identities and learn some new terms. We will consider the ways in which expanding concepts of gender might impact ourselves and our families.</p>
January 3, 2020	December 18, 2019	March 19, 2020 Topic-Suicide Prevention
February 7, 2020	January 15, 2020	May 7, 2020 Topic-TBD
April 3, 2020		
May 1, 2020		



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* ask questions – set up a meeting - address other concerns