

# Tolland Public Schools Superintendent Willett's Weekly Brief



Where Excellence Is Achieved Through Each Individual's Success

**UPDATE FOR December 3, 2019**

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***EYE ON THE WEATHER THIS WEEK:***

Forecast	Chance of weather impacting the school day
Wednesday-Partly to mostly sunny; windy & cold; snow showers possible; 25 to 30.	None
Thursday-Partly to mostly sunny; cold; highs near 30.	None
Friday-Partly sunny and continued cold; highs in the 30's.	None

***Here for you: 860-335-2455***

**INFORMATION OF INTEREST THIS WEEK:**

**SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNITY WORKSHOP**

December 5, 2019

Courage to Speak Foundation Presentation

[Click Here for more Information](#)

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND BY [CLICKING HERE](#) TO PROVIDE A QUICK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. THANK YOU.

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**HELP WANTED**

Food & Nutrition Services has openings for substitutes for this school year with the potential to move into a permanent part-time position. Join our team in serving nutritious healthy meals to our students and work only while your children are in school! If interested, please contact Kim at [kmetceau@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:kmetceau@tolland.k12.ct.us) or 860-870-6854, Ext 1.

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**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](http://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.

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*Athletic Openings*



We are seeking coaches for the following sports:

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](http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us)

District Offices/Human Resources/Employment Opportunities

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### 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](mailto:chiller@tolland.k12.ct.us)

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### 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!

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### Last TEF ROCK found!

And that’s a wrap! The last TEF ROCK has been found and awarded to Ms. Hoey by two excited students in her 1<sup>st</sup> grade class at BGP. Together, they decided that they would love for their class to do extra science experiments and get more STEM toys with the \$100 find. Ms. Hoey shared that the students were very proud and enthusiastic as they read the "secret note" adhered to the TEF ROCK with their class. She added, “These rocks are truly such a special asset to Tolland and made all twenty two first graders just as happy as the two that found them!”

The Tolland Education Foundation awarded a total of **\$2,400** to hard working educators pretty evenly spread across all four Tolland Public Schools as part of the TEF ROCKS initiative this year. Based on community enthusiasm, TEF ROCKS may be back in the Spring. Stay tuned!

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Hat and Mitten Drive

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Special Olympics-Penguin Plunge

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**STUFF-A-CRUISER 2019**

The Connecticut State Police "Stuff-A-Cruiser" Toy and Gift Collection will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the Tolland Green, located at the Old Jail, 52 Tolland Green. State Police from Troop C are challenging area residents to help them stuff their cruisers with new, unwrapped toys and gifts! We will also gladly accept gift cards and monetary donations. The toys and gifts collected will be distributed to less-fortunate children in the towns serviced by Troop C. The Troopers will be in their cruisers on the Green to greet everyone dropping off gifts. Gifts will be given to children up to age 17 and there is a significant need for holiday gifts or gift cards for children and teens ages 8 to 14. Troop C serves the towns of Ashford, Ellington, Mansfield, Somers, Stafford, Tolland, Union, Vernon and Willington.

From now until December 16<sup>th</sup>, gifts and monetary donations will also be accepted at the Troop C barracks on Route 74 in Tolland and at the Tolland Resident Trooper's Office or Human Services office in the Hicks Memorial Municipal Building (Town Hall) 21 Tolland Green. For additional information, call the Tolland Resident Trooper's office at 860-875-8911; Troop C at 860-896-3200; or Tolland Youth Services at 860-871-3612 or 860-871-3648.

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## *Upcoming Community Workshops and Events*

<p><b>Lunch with the Superintendent</b>  <b>51 Tolland Green</b>  <b>11:00 am – 12:00 pm</b></p> <p><a href="#">Click here for information on website-under announcements</a></p>	<p><b>Budget Workshops</b>  <b>Tolland Public Library Program</b>  <b>Room</b>  <b>7:00 pm</b></p> <p><a href="#">Click here for information on website</a></p>	<p><b>Community Workshops</b>  <b>Tolland Public Library Program</b>  <b>Room</b>  <b>7:00 pm</b></p> <p><a href="#">Click Here for more information on the Superintendent Community Workshops</a></p>
<p>December 6, 2019</p>	<p>November 20, 2019</p>	<p>December 5, 2019                  Courage to Speak Foundation                  Presentation  <a href="#">Click Here for more Information</a></p>
		<p>DATE-February 5, 2019</p> <p>True Colors                  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>
<p>January 3, 2020</p>	<p>December 18, 2019</p>	<p>March 19, 2020                  Topic-Suicide Prevention</p>
<p>February 7, 2020</p>	<p>January 15, 2020</p>	<p>May 7, 2020                  Topic-TBD</p>
<p>April 3, 2020</p>		
<p>May 1, 2020</p>		



[CONTACT THE SUPERINTENDENT: CLICK HERE](#)

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