



## **T.I.S. Digital Backpack**

**February 10, 2020**



### **FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:**



**Mr. Dineen and Mr. Z pose for a picture on their scooters during Esteem Day. Both Mr. Dineen and Mr. Z are recovering from foot injuries.**

### **The Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC) at Tolland Intermediate School**

Students across the state will soon begin taking the Smarter Balanced Assessment. Smarter Balanced Assessments are given in the areas of mathematics and English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA). SBAC tests are aligned with the Common Core State Standards and they are designed to measure student progress toward meeting grade level standards. Our goal in developing a testing schedule is to minimize disruption to our typical school day. We are currently putting the final touches on our SBAC testing schedule and we will send it home as soon as possible.

## Esteem Night

On Tuesday, February 4th, T.I.S. fifth grade students had the unique opportunity to spend the day with a group of Esteem trained students from Canton High School. These high school students are trained counselors who work with younger children as part of a program known as Esteem.

Some of the topics covered in the Esteem program are:

- Self-esteem
- Awareness of drug and alcohol-related issues
- Empathy
- Peer pressure
- Developing coping skills

The Canton High students and their two teacher-advisers worked along with our students and teachers throughout the day in the T.I.S. gymnasium. The day culminated with an evening presentation for parents that provided an overview of the day's events.









### **Black History Month on Morning Announcements**

Over the course of the month, our morning announcements we'll feature a segment in recognition of Black History Month. All month we will play songs relative to Black History Month and we will provide facts about the contributions of some extraordinary African Americans.

## **Reminders:**

### **After School Pick up Parking**

When picking up your child at the end of the school day, please do not park next to the yellow curb along the rear of the building. The yellow curbing indicates that the area is a designated no parking zone.

### **School Cell Phone Policy**

We've recently experienced some minor issues with student cell phones usage in school. Below is the school policy regarding cell phones in school. The policy is consistent with that of Tolland Middle School.

All electronic devices are to be turned off and stored away for the duration of the school day (8:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.). This includes, but is not limited to cell phones, music players, video systems, and video game systems. Cell phones and cell phone cameras that are misused anywhere on school grounds and/or on any school field trip or function will result in disciplinary action.

🧑‍❄️ Tolland Intermediate School! 🧑‍❄️

From The Nurses Office



So that all the kids can enjoy much needed fresh air this winter at recess, we ask that you please send them to school every day with:

Gloves, hat, winter jacket, scarf, snow-pants and boots.

**\*\*\*Put name+phone # on all items brought into school\*\*\***

The nurses' office has a limited supply of spare/extra clothing for the students. Please send extra pants and socks with your student in a labeled bag to keep in their locker in case they get wet during outdoor recess.

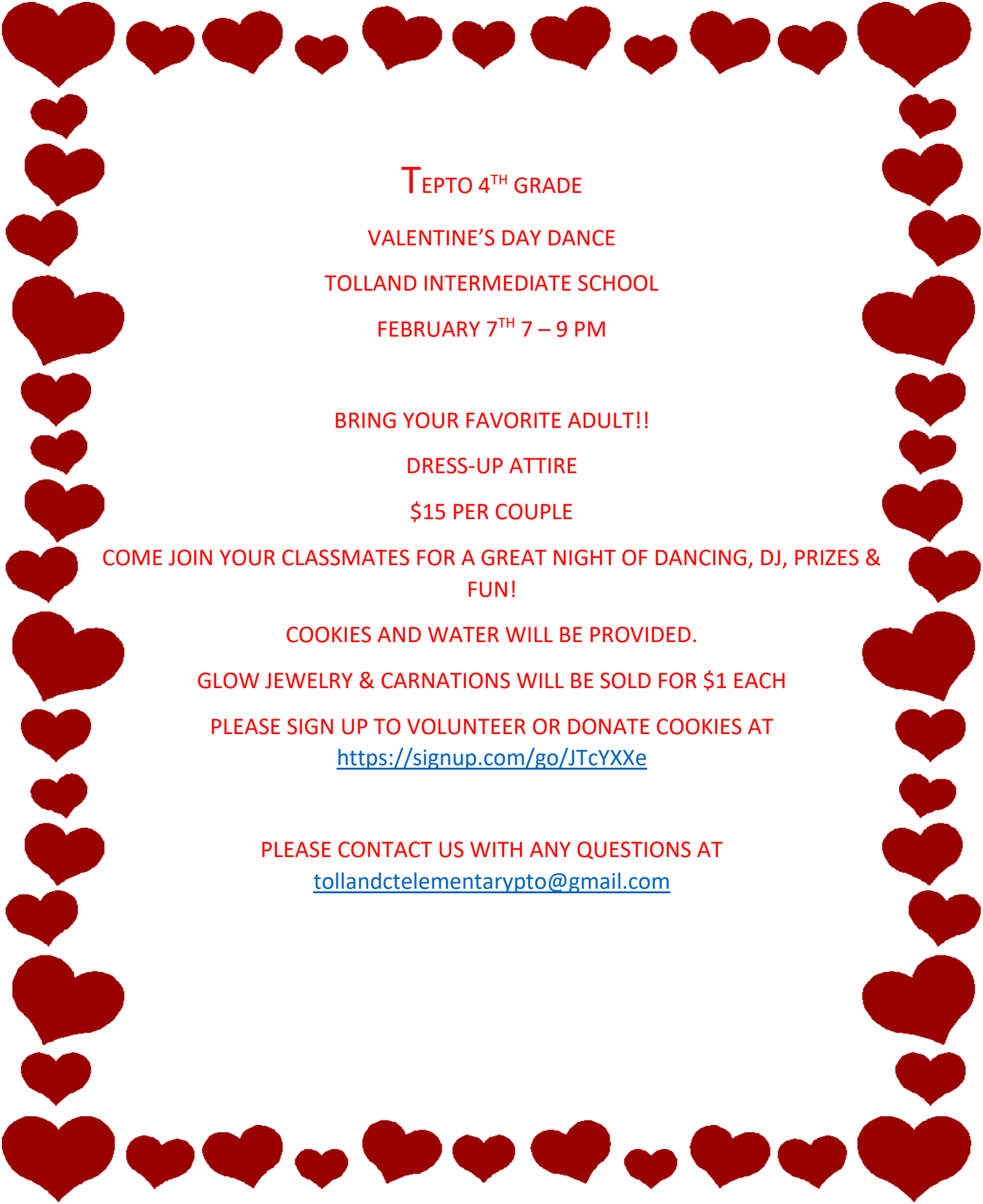


## **T.I.S. CALENDAR**



February 2020

- 3 PTO Meeting at TIS, 7:00 pm
- 4 Grade 5 Esteem Night (see flyer)
- 5 Grade 5 Esteem Night Snowdate
- 7 Grade 4 Valentine's Day Dance
- 12 Coffee with the Principal, 9:15
- 17-19 NO SCHOOL



TEPTO 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE  
VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE  
TOLLAND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> 7 – 9 PM

BRING YOUR FAVORITE ADULT!!

DRESS-UP ATTIRE

\$15 PER COUPLE

COME JOIN YOUR CLASSMATES FOR A GREAT NIGHT OF DANCING, DJ, PRIZES &  
FUN!

COOKIES AND WATER WILL BE PROVIDED.

GLOW JEWELRY & CARNATIONS WILL BE SOLD FOR \$1 EACH

PLEASE SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER OR DONATE COOKIES AT

<https://signup.com/go/JTcYXXe>

PLEASE CONTACT US WITH ANY QUESTIONS AT

[tollandctelementarypto@gmail.com](mailto:tollandctelementarypto@gmail.com)





## Slogan Contest

**Create a catchy slogan to feature the Courthouse cupola, bell or bell tower.**

- Open to Tolland residents of all ages.
- Please suggest a catchy slogan for the fundraising campaign.
- The winner will receive a \$50 gift card and a book of Tolland history written by a local author, and the runner-up will receive a \$25 gift card.

In 2020, the Tolland Historical Society is undertaking a major fundraising drive to restore the bell tower on the 1822 Old Tolland County Court House Museum.

The society must raise \$150,000 to restore the interior structure that cradles the bell as well as restoring and replacing some interior and exterior parts of the bell tower itself on the stately building that graces the historic Tolland Green. At the end of the project, the society will be able to once again ring the bell.

The existing courthouse replaced an earlier building built in 1785 to satisfy the state's requirement that the town provide a courthouse and a jail in order to be designated as the Tolland County seat.

All court sessions in Tolland County were held in the building until about 1890. From 1899 to 1985, the town's public library operated in the building. The Tolland Public Library Association gave the courthouse to the society in 2001, when it became the society's third museum. The first floor is home to the French Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut, and the top floor includes a beautiful courtroom that has been restored to look as it did in the 19th century

### **Send Entries to:**

Entries should be emailed to [society@tollandhistorical.org](mailto:society@tollandhistorical.org) or mailed to Tolland Historical Society, P.O. Box 107, Tolland, CT 06084 no later than Feb. 21. Please include suggested slogan, name and email address or phone number.



# FRIENDS TODAY. CHANGEMAKERS TOMORROW.

Whether she's exploring the outdoors, designing robots, or helping her community through service projects, she'll have a blast as she earns exciting badges. Get ready; she's going to make the world a better place—today and for the next generation!

Join Girl Scouts in  
Tolland!

Come learn about Girl  
Scouts at Tolland  
Library  
February 11, 2020 6:  
30pm-730pm

For questions or more  
information please  
contact Jamelle White  
at 860-522-0163  
ext.3256



BECOME A GIRL SCOUT AT  
[gsofct.org/join](https://gsofct.org/join)



# GIRLS & BOYS



**REGISTER NOW**

**Girls: GRADES 2-8**

**Boys: GRADES K-8**

**No experience necessary.**

To register, please go to [www.tollandlacrosse.org](http://www.tollandlacrosse.org) and click "Register Online" on the left side.

For additional information, you may contact:

Boys program: Damien Berthiaume, [ddberth@gmail.com](mailto:ddberth@gmail.com)

Girls program: Julie Field, [Julie\\_Field@loomis.org](mailto:Julie_Field@loomis.org)

**TOLLAND LITTLE LEAGUE**

**SPRING BASEBALL &  
SOFTBALL  
REGISTRATION  
NOW OPEN**

**Register before February 15  
to avoid late fees.**

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**Visit  
[TollandLittleLeague.com](http://TollandLittleLeague.com)  
to register today and  
for more info.**





# Friends of Tolland Music Booster Club

friendsoftollandmusic.org

[friendsoftollandmusic@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoftollandmusic@gmail.com)

## SWEATSHIRT/T-SHIRT ORDER FORM



**Short Sleeve T-Shirt (100% poly, moisture wicking) \$15.00 (XS-XL)**

**Circle Size Needed**                      XS    S    M    L    XL    XXL  
**(\$18.00)**

**Long Sleeve T-Shirt (100%poly, moisture wicking) \$20.00 (XS-XL)**

**Circle Size needed**                      XS    S    M    L    XL    XXL  
**(\$23.00)**

**Sweatshirt (50/50 cotton/poly fleece)                      \$35.00 (S-XL)**

**Circle Size Needed**                      S    M    L    XL    XXL **(\$38.00)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Music Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Email or phone \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Friends of Tolland Music Booster Club  
**Orders Must be into your Music Teacher by Friday, February 14th**



# FRC NEWS

## Raising a Kindergarten Star!

March 25, 6:30-7:30 PM Birch Grove Media Center (just adults)



Parents of children entering Kindergarten, join other parents and teachers to hear how you can best prepare your child to be ready for Kindergarten and all the excitement ahead!

Refreshments will be served. RSVP by March 20: [lleibowitz@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:lleibowitz@tolland.k12.ct.us) or

(860) 870-6750 x 5

# Now is the time to register for 2020-2021



Open registration for FRC begins February 3 for next year's FRC programs. We have limited spaces remaining in our programs.

We offer before and after school for children in grades K-6. Preschool Programs and playgroups for 2-5 year olds 2-4 days a week 2.5 - 6 hours a day.

Visit our website:

[www.tolland.k12.ct.us/community/family\\_resource\\_center](http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/community/family_resource_center) for registration information and forms or call Laurel Leibowitz

(860) 870-6750 x 5



**Tolland Intermediate School**

# Photo Release Form

2019-2020

**Please do not release any photos of my student in the following media**

**(check all that apply):**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yearbook

\_\_\_\_\_ Outside Media Sources

\_\_\_\_\_ Tolland Public Schools Superintendent's Bulletin/**T.I.S. Digital Backpack**

\_\_\_\_\_ Tolland Intermediate School Website

**\*\*\*This form does not need to be returned if photos can be used in any of the above areas.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

# TIS SPIRIT DAYS

*(Note: dates for Pi Day and Patriotic Day have changed)*

October 31<sup>st</sup>



Decades Day

November 26<sup>th</sup>



Hat Day

December 13<sup>th</sup>



PJ Day

District Wide

December 20<sup>th</sup>



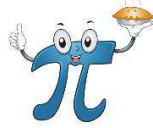
Crazy Sweater Day

January 31<sup>st</sup>



Sports Team Day

PI DAY  
EPIC WAYS TO  
CELEBRATE MATH



March 13<sup>th</sup>

PI Day



April 24<sup>th</sup>

College Spirit Day



May 22<sup>th</sup>

Patriotic Day



June 1<sup>st</sup>

Wacky Tacky Day





## COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL 2019-2020

September 18, 2019

February 12, 2020

October 9, 2019

March 25, 2020

November 13, 2019

No April meeting

No December meeting

May 13, 2020

January 15, 2020-CANCELLED DUE TO THE SCHEDULING OF AN EARLY  
RELEASE THIS DAY

(all meetings begin at 9:15 a.m.)

## **TEPTO Volunteer Guidelines**

- 1. All TEPTO volunteers must be an approved volunteer for Tolland Public Schools.**
- 2. Please refrain from making personal calls while volunteering.**
- 3. Smoking, drinking and illegal substances are prohibited at all TEPTO events.**
- 4. Appropriate attire for working with children is expected at all times.**
- 5. Volunteers are to report to the TEPTO Board Member or Chairperson in charge of the event upon arrival to sign in and receive a volunteer badge.**
- 6. Volunteer badges are to be worn and seen at all times during TEPTO events.**
- 7. Volunteers may not leave an assigned position, change or swap positions at any time during an event unless notified and relieved by a TEPTO Board Member or Chairperson.**
- 8. Co-room parents are expected to work together to respectfully share responsibilities requested by teachers and TEPTO Board.**
- 9. Emails addressed to the appropriate TEPTO mailboxes will be responded to within 48 hours, unless there are extenuating circumstances.**
- 10. Determinations of the TEPTO board are final. Any communications on decisions or matters of the board will reflect such determinations. Once an answer has been provided and articulated, it will be considered resolved. Similar questions by the same person on any one issue will not receive additional responses.**
- 11. Failure to abide by these policies may result in exclusion for volunteering, event services, and opportunities for TEPTO.**

Tolland Elementary Schools  
Parent Teacher Organization

2019-2020  
TEPTO Monthly Meetings

All meetings are on Mondays at 7pm in the Library

September 9 <sup>th</sup>	TIS
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Birch Grove
November 4 <sup>th</sup>	TIS
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Birch Grove
February 3 <sup>rd</sup>	TIS
March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Birch Grove
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Birch Grove
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Birch Grove
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	TIS

2019-2020 Executive Board

President: Jennifer Gallichant

BG Vice President: Bethany Lescoe    TIS Vice President: Tina Smith

Treasurer: Linda Scheidel    Membership: Rebecca Moore    Communications: Diana Gascon

Secretary: Jenn Reynolds    Ways & Means: Kristen Overton



***The End***