

Our Goals for Student Achievement

City of Waterbury District & Wallace Middle School Goals:

- I. Provide all students with quality school principals and teachers who deliver rigorous and effective instruction.
- II. Ensure all students equal access to quality curriculum that is aligned to common core state standards.
- III. Provide all students a positive school climate, creating safe, respectful and welcoming schools that actively engage all families.
- IV. Ensure that all students who enter grade 6 graduate on time by grade 8, prepared to enter high school.



Teachers, Parents, Students, & Community— Together for Success!

In Wallace Classrooms

All Wallace Middle School teachers will work with students and their families to develop students' academic and social skills in order to become more productive members of society. Some of our key connections with students & families will be:

- Participating in the Student of the Month Program with a celebration breakfast.
- Positive interactions with families on student progress.
- Utilizing the Wallace web site and blog for upcoming information and/or events.
- Monthly newsletters.
- Bi-Monthly Student Success Plan (SSP) Advisory Periods.
- The most current effective teaching strategies.

At Home

Wallace Middle School parents joined staff to exchange ideas of how to connect families and school to promote a more positive learning environment, academically and socially.

- Look for school newsletter and view the Wallace blog and web site.
- Become involved in the monthly PTO meetings and activities held at the school.
- Visit or call the school to discuss their child's learning with teachers.
- Utilize Progress Book to monitor their child's progress in classes.
- Active school governance council composed of teachers, parents, students & community.

Wallace Students

Wallace Middle School students joined the staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school.

- Discuss new learning with family members
- Bring home any newsletters, information, and work.
- Become more involved in school activities.
- Promote positive behaviors and academic skills demonstrated in the Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) program.
- A diverse selection of extra-curricular activities.
- Naugatuck Valley Community College's Gear-Up Program.
- **Grade 6:** All students in 6th grade will make the transition from an elementary setting to a middle school setting, becoming a more independent learner.
- **Grade 7:** All students in 7th grade will learn to become more responsible citizens within the school, modeling positive behaviors both academically and socially.
- **Grade 8:** All students in 8th grade will be the model citizens of the school, both academically and behaviorally. As a result, all 8th graders will be prepared for high school.

What is a Family-School

A Family-School Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students, teachers, & the community develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure that all students get the individual support they need to reach and exceed grade level standards.

Effective Compacts:

- **Begin** with standards
- **Focus** on student learning
- **Respond** to school data
- **Define** everyone's responsibilities
- **Depend** on us to believe in it and use it!



Jointly Developed

The parents and staff at Wallace Middle School developed this Family-School Compact for Achievement. Wallace's Governance Council meets every month to help create a more positive connection between families, parents, the community, and the school. Any items in this compact are reviewed for revision as well as any other ways the school can help to create a more positive relationship with the parents and community.

If you are interested in learning more about the Family-School Compact or the Wallace Governance Council, please call the school at 203-574-8140.

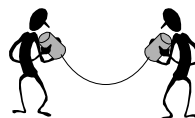
Wallace PTO Events

Each month, Wallace's PTO has various events. These events are a great way to get more involved with the Wallace community, have an evening of laughter and fun and raise funds to support programs that will further the social and academic skills of the Wallace students. All events and meetings will be listed in the monthly newsletter and on the web site.

Communication about Student Learning

Wallace Middle School is committed to communicating regularly with families about students learning. Some of the ways you can expect communication are:

- Newsletters home
- IRIS System calls
- Phone calls home
- Open House/Parent Conferences
- PTO Meetings and events
- Progress Book (Online Grade Book)
- Wallace Web Site
<http://www.waterbury.k12.ct.us/wms/>
- Wallace Blog
<http://wallacemiddleschool.blogspot.com/>

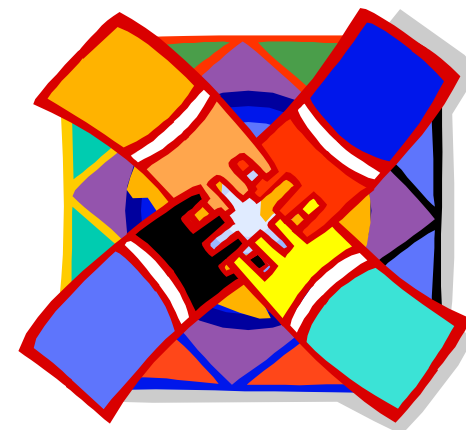


Do you have questions about your child's progress?

Parents can contact Wallace Middle School by calling 203-574-8140.

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Nëse keni nevojë për një kopje të kësaj në gjuhën shqipe, e quajne shkollën.