News from Personnel

Thank you!

Your efforts have made the start of the 2015-2016 school year extremely successful despite the recent heat wave and the many new personnel changes that have taken place over the summer. Fifty-five teachers were granted transfers to new buildings or roles; forty new teachers were hired as were 3 new administrators; and 27 new uncertified staff filled positions throughout the district. We have received numerous comments from our new staff indicating how welcome they have been made to feel in Wallingford. Thank you for making their arrival in your schools so positive!

Employee Assistance Program

As you may know, Wallingford Public Schools is affiliated with the Lexington Group and its Employee Assistance Program (EAP). This affiliation is designed to support employees throughout the district who may be struggling with the complexities of daily living. EAP provides assistance with issues including, but not limited to, marital and family difficulties, emotional stress, addictive disorders, problems at work, elder care, and financial or legal concerns.

The EAP provides complete confidential clinical services at no cost to you. Its services are available 24 hours every day and begin with just a phone call from you. If the EAP cannot provide you with a sufficient level of service, the program's clinical staff will refer you to the most appropriate resource. To learn more about the Lexington Group and EAP, visit their website at http://www.the-lexington-group.com/LexBrochurePG2.pdf. If you are in need of EAP services, call 1-800-676-HELP (4357).

TEAM

The Personnel Department is extremely pleased to have Patty Pursell leading the district's Teacher Education and Mentoring Program (TEAM). Recently retired from her role as a health and physical education teacher, Patty has signed on to continue to follow her passion to help new teachers develop their craft and ensure positive outcomes for our students. We encourage you to consider becoming part of this process by becoming a TEAM Mentor. If you have any questions about TEAM or would like more information about becoming a mentor, contact Patty at ppursell@wallingfordschools.org or call the Personnel Department.

Thinking of Retiring?

If you are considering retiring at the end of the 2015-2016 school year, please remember that you must notify the Personnel Department of your intent by November 1, 2015, if you plan on receiving your severance payment at the end of the school year. People who retire without notifying the district by November 1st will not receive their severance until the close of the 2016-2017 school year which may affect plans for placing these funds in tax sheltered accounts.

Who Ya Gonna Call?

Frequently employees are unsure of whom to contact regarding questions related to personnel, payroll, insurance benefits, maintenance, special education, etc. The following chart should give you the most up to date contact information for many district services.

Communications Chart 2015-2016

<u>Personnel Department</u>	Contact
Absences – Personnel, Sick, Family Medical Leave – Certified -Non-certified	Sharon Bukowski -203-949-6508 Jennifer Krass-203-949-6510
Teacher Retirement Questions	Sharon Bukowski – 203-949-6508
Transcript/Certification	Sharon Bukowski – 203-949-6508
Questions for Openings and Interviews	Sharon Bukowski – 203-949-6508
	Jennifer Krass – 203-949-6510
Substitute Teachers	Sharon Bukowski -203-949-6508
Substitute Custodians / Extra Custodians/Paras/Aides/Clerical	Jennifer Krass – 203-949-6510
Separation Process	Sharon Bukowski– 203-949-6508
	Jennifer Krass – 203-949-6510
TEAM	Patty Pursell - 203-949-6508
Tenure	Jennifer Krass- 203-949-6510
Special Education Department	Contact
Homeless Education Questions	Rob Mancusi -203-294-5946
District Climate	Rob Mancusi -203-294-5946
Talented and Gifted Program Coordinator -203-294-5946	Rob Mancusi
Title VI Coordinator	Melissa Iles-203-294-6926
District Test Coordinator	Rob Mancusi-203-294-5946
Section 504 Coordinator	Melissa Iles -203-294-6926
Preschool – Grade 5 Special Education	Donna Curtis -203-294-5949
Middle School/High School Special Education	Audrey Burke -0203-294-5946

PPT Scheduling for Outplacement -203-294-5947

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Business Office Department

Contact

Accounts Payable Tina Cox – 203-949-6516

Lisa Hoffheins - 203-949-6517

Budget/Grants Toni Hale – 203-949-6514

Building Use Billing Patty DeFilio – 203-949-6504

Copy Center Cindy Scalesse – 203-949-6522

Employment Verifications Juanita Stainton –

203-949-6518

Insurance Ginette Anziano – 203-949-6515

Payroll Opal Berardesca – 203-949-6520

Robin Becroft - 203-949-6519

Juanita Stainton -203-949-6518

Transportation MaryAnn Croce – 203-949-6512

Curriculum Department

Contact

Conferences Rose Stabile – 203-949-6505

Title Grants 203-949-5953

Policy Betsy McCully – 203-949-6506

Humanities Curriculum Coordinator (K-12) Carrie Laudadio

203-294-5910

Humanities Curriculum Coordinator (K-12)

Jim Francese –

203-949-6513

Mathematics Curriculum Coordinator (K-12) Christie Madancy 203-294-5962

Science Resource Teacher (K-12)

Kate O'Donnell 203-294-6529

Science Kit Replenishment Center Karen Janus

203-294-3775

Career Technology Education Resource Teacher (K-12) Rob Kovi 203-949-5913

Community Liaison- Wallingford Education Foundation

Information Technology Teacher @ Sheehan

World Language Resource Teacher (K-12)

203-294-5912

Mathematics Curriculum Resource Teacher

Mathematics Coaches Grade 3-5

Elementary Literacy Coaches

Maintenance Department

Work Orders

Technology Department

IT Help Desk

Help Desk number is: 203-949-6565

Gail McCormack 203-949-6534

Rob Kovi 203-294-5970

Kim Moore

Allayne Sundt 203-949-6531

Dulcey Worth 203-949-6506

Ashly Hosmer 203-949-6506

Jamie Hocking-Ferrone 03-949-6506

Angela Buccheri 203-949-6506

Contact

Use School Dude first.

To follow-up call: 203-294-3780

Contact

Use IT Direct Help