

Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin

6-13-16

“Evening of Excellence”

On Tuesday, June 7, approximately 125 Tolland High School students were recognized for their accomplishments in each of the departments including Art, Business, Computer, English, Family & Consumer Science, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, Science, Social Studies, Technical Education, and World Language. In addition, 20 seniors earned Top Twenty Scholar distinction. In alphabetical order they are as follows:

Luke Anderson, Shaina Caplan, Monica Dave, Katherine Dos Santos, Kacey Dutton, Cali Gadoury, Nina Haigis, Eric Krementowski, Alden Lamp, Karissa Laramie, Ryan Mahoney, Nicholas Olson, Victoria Richardson. Amaria Sharon, Michael Sireci, Amanda Steinhilber; Nicholas Sturgis, Natalie Wyse, Andrew Zimmerman, and Chris Zimmerman

Lastly, the Class Valedictorian and Salutatorian were named for the Class of 2016. They are:

Class Valedictorian - Victoria Richardson

Victoria has clearly distinguished herself as a very conscientious student and a lifelong learner. She is highly committed to the demands of a heavy workload having excelled in many rigorous courses, including Honors coursework in English, math, science, social studies as well as Early College Experience in UCONN Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. In her senior year alone, Victoria has taken advanced placement courses in Calculus, English, and European History. Her excellent work ethic, consistent hard work and intrinsic motivation have served her well in the classroom earning academic excellence awards in Honors World History, UCONN Biology, Honors English 2, Honors United States History, Honors Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus, Honors English 4, and the Senior Award in Science.

What is the most unique thing about Victoria is her willingness to help her peers in and out of the classroom. Often in classes – particularly those that are of a higher challenge level- students are encouraged to seek peer support in problem solving prior to seeking the instructor’s assistance. This collaboration is paramount to students’ level of success. This young lady goes above the level of collaboration expected and is the first to offer her assistance to other students who may be struggling. Victoria is selfless in her acquisition of knowledge – never acting simply to maintain her weighted grade point average. She is able to help her peers with difficult concepts but does so in a way that

is both practical and non-condescending. Our faculty members and her peers highly respect her.

Victoria is equally as driven, determined and successful in her pursuits outside of the classroom. She has been a varsity member of the Tolland High School girls soccer team. Additionally, Victoria has competed in the National Premier Soccer League. She has used her knowledge of soccer to work as a referee for both regular season and state tournament games at the youth level. She has also been a member of our girls track team for two years and was a state qualifier in two events, shot put and discus. Victoria has participated in various community service opportunities as well.

Next fall, Victoria will major in either Biochemistry or Neuroscience at Brandeis University. She also plans on playing goalkeeper for their Division III women's soccer program. Congratulations Victoria!

Class Salutatorian - Luke Anderson

Luke is an extremely bright young man who displays a strong desire to absorb new concepts and ideas. He is a very serious student who has challenged himself academically and consistently earned exceptional grades in the most rigorous classes that Tolland High School has to offer, including primarily Honors, Advanced Placement, and UConn level courses. During his four years at THS he has earned numerous awards, including the Rensselaer Polytechnic Medal for Math and Science, and academic excellence awards in Drafting I, Spanish II, and Honors Algebra 2, and the Senior Award in Mathematics and Social Studies. Beyond the classroom, Luke has been a four year member of our football and outdoor track teams and he has participated in Tolland's recreational basketball program as well. In addition to being highly intelligent, he has an outgoing and upbeat personality and possesses excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

As a young man, Luke is committed to excellence and personal growth in the school and community as well. He has volunteered his time at the United Congregational Church teaching weekly religious education classes and serving food at a homeless shelter in Hartford. Luke will bring his drive, intelligence, commitment, and determination to the University of Connecticut next fall while majoring in Nutritional Sciences. His future plans also include attending graduate school. Congratulations Luke!



Pictured above: The Top Twenty Scholars for the Class of 2016.

IMPORTANT DATES

- June 14 – End of Quarter 4
 - June 14 – Senior Exams Blocks 3 & 4
 - June 15 – Exams – Blocks 1 & 2
 - June 16 – Exams – Blocks 3 & 4
 - June 16 – Graduation Rehearsal 9:00 a.m.
 - June 16 – Graduation 6:00 p.m.
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GRADUATION

Graduation ceremonies will take place on Thursday, June 16th at 6:00 p.m. in the Tolland High School gymnasium. Shuttle bus service from Tolland Middle School will be available beginning at 4:30 p.m.

EXAMS

Good luck to all students taking final exams! The exam schedule is listed below.

Tuesday – June 14, 2016

Block 1 7:15 – 8:43 Regular Classes
Block 2 8:49 – 10:13 Regular Classes
Block 3 10:19 – 12:13 Senior Exams
Block 4 12:19 – 1:43 Senior Exams

Wednesday – June 15, 2016

Block 1 Exam 7:30 – 9:00 All Students
Block 2 Exam 9:45 – 11:15 All Students
Make-up Exams 12:00 – 1:30

Thursday – June 16, 2016

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STUDENTS MUST REMAIN IN THE EXAM FOR THE ENTIRE 90 MINUTES.

- Students excused or exempt from exams do not need to report to school.

- Students who are in school and not taking exams must be in the cafeteria while exams are in progress. A student may be in the library but must make arrangements with the library staff in advance to do so.
- The make-up exam period is only for those students who have special problems approved in advance by the department chairperson.
- All students are expected to be in their exams on time. Forgetting, sleeping late, etc. are not excuses for missing a final exam.
- Students who have just one exam on either day only need to be here for their exam period. For example, if you have only a Block 1 exam and you have your own transportation, you may leave after the end of the Block 1 exam period. The reverse is also true. If you have only a Block 2 exam and you are able to provide your own transportation to school, you do not need to be here during the Block 1 exam period. However, you must be on time to the Block 2 exam period.
- Students are not to leave the school building in between exam periods if they have two exams on the same day.
- Buses will arrive and depart school at the regularly scheduled time on Wednesday, June 15, 2016.
- Buses will depart at 11:57 on Thursday, June 16th. There will be no late bus.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning June 17th, the main office will be open daily 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.