

Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin
6-11-18

**Tolland High
School is making a
PAWSitive Impact!**



This May, Tolland High School DECA made a PAWSitive impact both in the Tolland community as well as the worldwide community of endangered animals by fundraising \$1,856.45. This campaign brought the THS community together in school and wildlife spirit, between the fun-fact pawprints that lined the walls to the guest-star appearances of teacher-sponsors on the daily morning announcement broadcast.

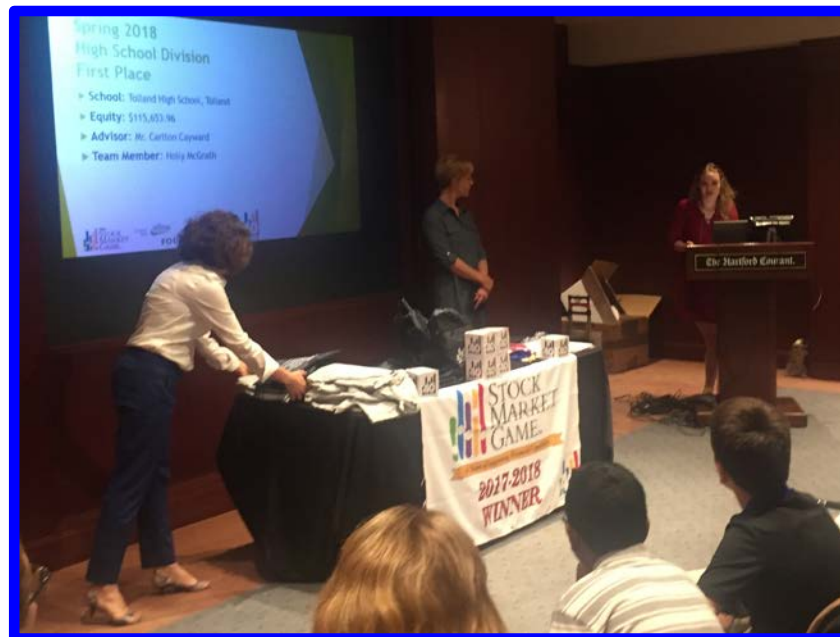
This school-wide project was organized and led by student representatives from THS DECA. Through their support of the World Wildlife Foundation's goal, they showed us that even in a small community, we can work together toward making a lasting impact on the global scale. Well done THS DECA!

STOCK MARKET GAME - SIFMA FOUNDATION

Students in Mrs. Bridge's, Mr. Cayward's, and Ms. Marshall's business classes recently competed in the SIFMA Foundation's Connecticut Stock Market Game. Once again, Tolland High School's performance in the high school division was outstanding. This year's winners is Tolland senior Holly McGrath, pictured to the right. Holly plans on attending Coastal Carolina in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. She has been admitted into their Honors Program and will major in intelligence and national security. At THS, Holly is the secretary of the Mark Twain Chapter of the National Honor Society.

The SIFMA Foundation is an independent 501(c)3 educational organization dedicated to fostering knowledge of the financial markets. The Stock Market Game (SMG) program is a project-based learning activity that meets Common Core State Standards

and provides real world opportunities to practice 21st century skills in critical thinking, collaboration, and communication. Students are challenged to develop a successful investment portfolio by investing a virtual \$100,000. In terms of collaboration, students work in teams of two to five to investigate and gather news and data on potential investments. As an integral part of the SMG experience, students utilize a broad range of informational texts and evaluate current events. Students work together to create and manage a virtual investment portfolio by buying and selling real world stocks, bonds, and mutual funds. Each team is responsible for researching and evaluating potential investments. They analyze and manage the risks associated with economic and political events and learn about the capital markets. Team members must also effectively come together on cooperative decisions on whether to buy, sell, or hold the stocks, funds, and bonds in the portfolio they have created. Through this real-world experience in personal financial literacy, students have an opportunity to explore the fundamentals of personal finance and investing, while practicing content and skills in math, English Language Arts, economics, social studies, and other subjects. Working together to build and manage an investment portfolio in a real-world, dynamic marketplace, students analyze and make decisions, explore the consequences of their choices, and seek new ways to strategize for success. Great job Holly!



First-place winner of the 2017-2018 Stock Market Game, Holly McGrath, presents at the SIFMA Foundation's Awards.

SPORT BIZ MADNESS

Kacie Shea, a Tolland High School senior and Sports Marketing Seminar student finished as a runner-up in Sports Career Consulting's second annual "Sports Biz

Madness” High school Case Study tournament. Kacie competed against over 90 student contestants nationwide. Students were charged with submitting written responses with solutions and suggestions for sports companies that had various marketing issues. A panel of judges who evaluated the responses determined the winners of each round. From those, they picked eight responses to compete in the “Elite 8”. It was then narrowed down to the “Final Four”, and championship round where Kacie finished as the contest’s runner-up. Kacie, who is also a standout softball player at THS plans on attending St. Leo University in Florida next year. She is interested in possibly pursuing a career in Sports and Entertainment Marketing. Congratulations Kacie!



Pictured above: Senior Kacie Shea finishes as finalist in the Sports Biz Madness national competition.

2nd SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE

Wednesday – June 20, 2018

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| Block 1 | 7:15 – 8:38 | Regular Classes |
| Block 2 | 8:44 – 10:13 | Regular Classes |
| Block 3 | 10:19 – 12:13 | Senior Exams |
| Block 4 | 12:19 – 1:43 | Senior Exams |

Thursday – June 21, 2018

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| Block 1 Exam | 7:15 – 8:45 | All Students |
| Block 2 Exam | 9:15 – 10:45 | All Students |
| Make-up Exams | 12:00 – 1:30 | |

Friday – June 22, 2018

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| Block 3 Exam | 7:15 – 8:45 | Underclassmen |
| Block 4 Exam | 9:15 – 10:45 | Underclassmen |
| Make-up Exams | 12:00 – 1:30 | |

9:00 – 12:00 – Senior Graduation Rehearsal

- **STUDENTS MUST REMAIN IN THE EXAM FOR THE ENTIRE 90 MINUTES.**
 - Please note the start time for all second semester exams will begin promptly at 7:15 a.m.
 - 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 Thursday, June 21, 2018. Buses will depart at 10:45 a.m. on Friday, June 22nd. There will be no late bus.
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IMPORTANT DATES

June 15 - Senior Class Night - 6:00 p.m.

June 20 - Regular School Day - Blocks 3 & 4 Exams (Seniors Only)

June 21 - Blocks 1 & 2 Exams (All Students)

June 22 - Exams 3 & 4 (Underclassmen Only)

June 22 - Graduation Rehearsal - 9:00 a.m.

June 22 - Commencement Ceremony - 6:00 p.m.
