

# TPS SUPERINTENDENT BULLETIN



*Where Excellence Is Achieved Through Each Individual's Success*



*Equity  
over  
Equality*



*Stimulate and Support  
over  
Rank and Sort*



*Transformative Practice  
over  
Tradition*

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Here for you 860-335-2455

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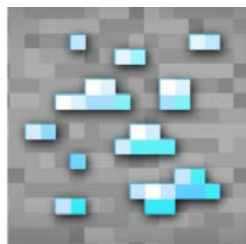
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**UPDATE FOR October 9, 2018**

**JUMP TO SCHOOL UPDATES:**

Please **CLICK BELOW** to get the **DIGITAL BACKPACK** information for the listed school:

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## UPCOMING COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

*Mastery Learning at the Tolland Public Schools*

**OCTOBER 15, 2018**

**Short Presentation and Discussion**

**Location- Tolland Public Library**

**Program Room**

**Time - 6:00 PM**

Check out the **plan** and **web-site**:

[http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/DistrictOffices/superintendent\\_s\\_corner/superintendent\\_willett\\_s\\_page/mastery\\_based\\_learning/](http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/DistrictOffices/superintendent_s_corner/superintendent_willett_s_page/mastery_based_learning/)

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*Superintendent Weekly Message*

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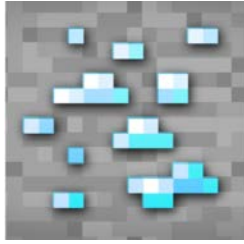
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If you see something, say something Training Event-[Click Here](#)

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*Tolland Public Schools TV!*

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*BREAKFAST WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT*

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**2018- 2019**  
**Tolland Board of Education**  
**51 Tolland Green**  
**10:00 AM**

November 5, 2018  
December 3, 2018  
January 7, 2019  
February 4, 2019  
March 4, 2019  
April 1, 2019  
May 6, 2019  
June 3, 2019

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*BUDGET BLURB*

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**BUDGET INFO ON THE WEB:**



[http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/board\\_of\\_education/budget](http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/board_of_education/budget)

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*HOW TO CONTACT THE SUPERINTENDENT:*

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Please take a look at the link below for some of the best ways to get an answer, meeting, or something else:

[http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/DistrictOffices/superintendent\\_s\\_corner/superintendent\\_wille\\_tt\\_s\\_page/c\\_o\\_n\\_t\\_a\\_c\\_t\\_m\\_e/](http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/DistrictOffices/superintendent_s_corner/superintendent_wille_tt_s_page/c_o_n_t_a_c_t_m_e/)

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*Job Postings*

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## Athletic Openings



We are seeking JV and Freshman Boys Basketball Coaches for the Tolland Public Schools Athletic Program. The position requires Connecticut State Coaching Certification, and current CPR and First Aid course certifications. For more information and to apply visit our website at:

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## **Job Opening**

### **Family Resource Center**

- **Preschool Group Leader - 20-25 hours per week.**  
Position requires an Associate's Degree in Early Child Education or related field.
- **Senior Group Leader – Monday thru Friday 3pm to 6pm at BGP**

**For more information and to apply visit our website at**

[www.tolland.k12.ct.us](http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us)

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5th Grade Harvest Dance

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*Mastery Learning Information*

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**POWERSCHOOL UNIFIED CLASSROOM**  
**Expanding information opportunities for parents and students!**



Dear Parents and Students,

On February 9<sup>th</sup>, we upgraded the parent and student portal access to the new Unified Classroom. If you access your student's information with the mobile app, there are NO changes. If you use a desktop/laptop, then you will need to create your new Unified Classroom account. (If you have never created an account, please contact us, and we will be happy to help you. (860-870-6818 x10804)

**Parents**

If you already have an account follow the steps below.

<https://tollandschools.powerschool.com/public/home.html>

1. Click on Parent Sign In
2. Create PowerSchool ID
3. Enter your current login information
4. Next
5. Continue
6. Enter your email (which will now be your username)
7. Create a password
8. Click create

Below is a quick video that demonstrates how to set up your account/move to the new Unified Classroom dashboard. Watch Part 2 of the video if you already have a PowerSchool account.

<https://vimeo.com/227826452/6c02bab055>

**Students**

<https://tollandschools.powerschool.com/public/home.html>

1. Click student sign in
2. Click 'Forgot password' option, enter in your school email (ex. [JohnDoe54321@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:JohnDoe54321@tolland.k12.ct.us)) and send request. Go to your school email – there will be a link to click in the email that will send you to a reset password page.

Please feel free to contact the Educational Technology office with any log in issues or questions.  
(860) 870-6818 x10804

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*Social Media Connections and Links*

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**CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK:**



[www.facebook.com/tollandpublicschools](http://www.facebook.com/tollandpublicschools)

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**FOLLOW SUPERINTENDENT WILLETT ON TWITTER:**



Search for:

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*Volunteer Information*

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**VOLUNTEERING**



We would love to have you come and volunteer at the Tolland Public Schools!

Thank you for all you do for the Tolland Public Schools. Please contact the Central Office with any questions. For those already volunteering, and those new to the game, the BOE will now do background checks every three school years. If you will be volunteering for the first time in the upcoming school year, please complete the [online form under Quick Links](#). After you have submitted your application, please call 860-870-6850 extension 1 to provide your social security number. You can check with the school secretaries to verify your status.

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*Other Information*

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**Winners of the Cider 1 Mile race were:**

**Boys**

- 1st Corey Culhane 7:14 (age10)
- 2nd Caleb Patterson 7:20 (age12)
- 3rd Camden Kerschbaum 7:21 (age 7)

**Girls**

- 1st Bryn Peters 6:32 (age 12)
- 2nd Sasha Hidada 7:55 (age 10)
- 3rd Aubrey Peters 8:20 (age 9)

**Age 1-10 Female**

- 1) Nadya Shapiro (age 10)
  
- 2) Rebecca Langlais (9)
  
- 3) Holly Prechtl (7)

**Age 1-10 Male**

- 1) Ivan Shapiro (age 6)
  
- 2) Will Senelick (9)
- 3) Nathaniel Glidden (8)

**Age 11-14 Female**

- 1) Avery Glidden (12)
- 3) Cora Manfre (11)

**Age 11-14 Male**

- 1) Sam Nussbaum (13)
- 2) Dalton Peters (14)

**Age 15-19 Female**

out of Towner

**Age 15-19 Male**

- 1) Matthew Shaw (16)
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