

# ***Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin***

## ***11-6-17***

### ***Personal Finance Students Attend Reality Fair***

Twenty-four Tolland High School Personal Finance students recently participated in the Financial Reality Fair, a 2.5 hour hands-on experience at Goodwin College in which students, after identifying their career choice and starting salaries, are provided a budget sheet requiring them to live within their monthly salary while paying for basics such as housing, utilities, transportation, clothing and food. Of course, there are many temptations for additional spending, and students must learn to balance their wants and needs to live on their own. After they have visited all the booths, students balance their budget, and then sit down with a financial counselor to review their standing. The fair is a unique opportunity for each student to experience some of the financial challenges he or she will face when starting life on their own. In the Financial Reality Fair experience, students are encouraged to save a minimum of 10% of their income, placing 3% in a long-term retirement investment, and 7% in a shorter-term investment. The financial counselors explore the importance of planning for future needs and preparing for future financial challenges through savings. The fair tempts students to spend their income on “fun,” but the financial counselors will bring the focus back to saving and thrift practices.



*Pictured above from L to R: Personal Finance students Sean Reilly, Will Person, and Ryan Greenberg stop to let Mrs. Bridge capture her photo.*



*Pictured from L to R: Stephanie Wilson, Paige Dodd, and Abby Miller discuss the challenges of the Financial Reality Fair.*

## **YEARBOOK INFORMATION**

You can purchase a yearbook online at [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com) using the code for Tolland High School of 10945818. Price starts at \$75 and goes up from there depending on the package that you purchase. After October 30<sup>th</sup> the base price goes up to \$85. The base price will then increase to \$90 after February 5<sup>th</sup>. Make all checks payable to Lifetouch.

Nameplates, cover keepers and autograph inserts are \$5 each. You can choose the “Eagle’s Nest” package for all three enhancements for only \$13.00. Parents can also purchase advertisements for the yearbook by going to [YBPay.com](http://YBPay.com) and use the Tolland High School code of 10945818.

All advertisements are due by January 12<sup>th</sup>. Upload your photos to [community.lifetouch.com](http://community.lifetouch.com) using the security code TFHSNG. Be sure to indicate your child's name in the file name when you upload. Email the text for your ad to: [jfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:jfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us). Any questions, please contact Sue Fontaine at [sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us) or Jessica Fontaine.

## **WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION**

Online registration for winter sports is now open. Please go to the athletic page of the school website and click on the "Athletic Participation and Forms" tab and follow the prompts. Please note the deadline for registration is Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> and late registrations will NOT be accepted.

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## **IMPORTANT DATES**

November 6 - Parent Advisory Council - 6:00 p.m.

November 6 - Winter Sports Registration and Physical Form Deadline

November 13 - Booster Club Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

November 15 - College Planning Program - 7:00 p.m. - Auditorium

November 18 - Project Graduation Bottle Drive

November 22 - 24 - Thanksgiving Break

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## **BOOSTER CLUB**

The next meeting of the year will be held on Monday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the THS main office conference room. Please join us and learn more about the exciting events planned for the year. If you have any questions, ideas, or comments, please contact Co-Presidents Diane Clokey at [dbclokey@gmail.com](mailto:dbclokey@gmail.com) or Jenn Dineen at [jneccidineen@yahoo.com](mailto:jneccidineen@yahoo.com).

## **PROJECT GRADUATION**

Project Graduation is in need of volunteers to work concessions at the UCONN football games. For more information, please contact the Rentschler leaders at [ths.projgrad@gmail.com](mailto:ths.projgrad@gmail.com). Please see the flyer below for more information on Project Graduation.

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