

Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin

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2nd SEMESTER OPEN HOUSE

I would like to remind parents that our second semester Parent Open House for the 2017-2018 school year is scheduled for Thursday, February 8, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Open House provides a terrific opportunity for you to meet each of your child's teachers, gain an understanding of the curricula, and hear each of the teachers' expectations.

Student volunteers from both our Student Council and National Honor Society will be available at 6:15 p.m. in the cafeteria to distribute students' schedules. Unlike the Fall Open House in September, there is no formal program in the auditorium for parents.



H&R BLOCK®

BUDGET CHALLENGE®

For the past 10 weeks, juniors and seniors taking Personal Finance had the opportunity to compete nationally in the H & R Block Budget Challenge. The H & R Block Budget Challenge is an online simulation tool that replicates real-world budgeting and personal finance decision-making. By simulating an adult's financial life – paying bills, investing in retirement, utilizing credit, managing loans and more – students take a personal financial “road test”. This learn-by-doing educational approach allows high schoolers to make real-world mistakes without facing real-world consequences.

In Tolland High School's first opportunity to participate in this challenge, Mrs. Bridge's class finished in the Top 8% nationwide with 1,573 classrooms participating and 34,983 students competing for scholarship money. Special recognition goes to **Abigail Miller**, **Dillon D'Amato**, **Stephanie Wilson**, and **Matt Supczak** who each received a **Certificate of Achievement** for their exceptional knowledge and superior performance in the simulation. **Matt Supczak** was our highest placed participant finishing in 1903/34983 placing him in the **Top 5th percentile** in the country. Congratulations to all the THS participants for a job well down!

SPORTS PHYSICALS

This is just a reminder that anyone playing a spring sport at Tolland High School must register online at www.familyid.com/tolland-public-schools or by going to the athletics page on the Tolland High School website and clicking on "Athletic Participation Registration and Forms." Additionally, all updated physical forms must be turned in to the THS nurse.

PLEASE NOTE: The deadline to register online for spring sports and to turn in necessary medical documents to the nurse is **Monday, February 26h**. Anyone with questions regarding the registration process can email Athletic Supervisor Todd Zenczak at tzenczak@tolland.k12.ct.us.

YEARBOOK ADVERTISEMENTS

The deadline for purchasing advertisements for the yearbook has been extended until Friday, February 23. To purchase an advertisement, please go to YBPay.com and use the Tolland High School code of 10945818. Upload your photos to 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. Any questions, please contact Sue Fontaine at sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us or Jessica Fontaine at jfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us.

IMPORTANT DATES

February 5 - Parent Advisory Council - 6:00 p.m .
February 8 - Open House - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
February 12 - Booster Club Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Main Office Conference Room
February 15 - Open House (Snow Date) - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
February 16 - Early Release - Faculty In-Service
February 19 - President's Day - No School
February 26 - Spring Sports Online Registration and Physical Form Deadline
February 28 - NHS Blood Drive

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Tolland High School is fortunate to have a dedicated and enthusiastic group of parents who support our school and many of the programs within it. In light of that, we are committed to increasing parent and community engagement in our school. A few years ago, a Parent Advisory Council was established as a means to encourage parents and community members to become active partners in educating our children. Through this council, both groups of stakeholders are able to maintain an organized voice at Tolland High School, become involved in the decision making processes and procedures, where

appropriate, voice their concerns, communicate their needs, and ask questions. To date, it has provided a forum for parents to discuss school-related issues such as leveling, grade weighting, block scheduling, teen drug and alcohol use, and safety concerns, among others. **The Parent Advisory Council will hold its next meeting Monday, February 5 at 6:00 p.m.** in the THS main office conference room. Please email Ms. Dominique Fox at dfox@tolland.k12.ct.us if you plan on attending the meeting.

Future meeting dates are:

- March 5 @ 7:30 a.m.
- May 7 @ 6:00 p.m.

BOOSTER CLUB

The next meeting of the year will be held on Monday, February 12 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 or Jenn Dineen at jneccidineen@yahoo.com.
