

Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin

9-18-17

MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

Senior Felicity Roche has been selected to participate in the 2017 All-National Honor Ensemble which will be held at Walt Disney World from November 26-29. At Tolland High School, Felicity was involved in Women's Chorus for two years as well as the Madrigals in both her junior and senior year. She has also participated in the band for all four years as a flute player. To participate, Felicity had to go through a grueling and stressful audition process. She first had to try out at the Connecticut Music Educator's Association Eastern Regionals and be selected to participate at the Festival. The next level required Felicity to try out and be selected for the All-State Festival. In accomplishing both, she was able to audition for the All-National Honor Ensemble. She was notified in mid-July of her selection. Felicity would like to thank Mrs. Tracy for supporting her efforts and allowing her the opportunity to pursue her love of music and singing. Congratulations Felicity!



Pictured above: Senior Felicity Roche has been selected to participate in the All-National Honors Ensemble at Walt Disney World in November.

IMPORTANT DATES

September 18 – Booster Club Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

September 19 – 9th Grade Parent Program - 7:30 a.m. - THS

September 29 – Progress Reports

October 2 - Parent Advisory Council - 7:30 a.m. THS Conference Room

October 2-6 - Yearbook sales during lunches

October 9 - No School - Columbus Day

October 10 - No School - Faculty Inservice

BOOSTER CLUB

The first meeting of the year will be held on Monday, September 18 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@sbcglobal.net or Jenn Dineen at jneccidineen@yahoo.com.

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, teen drug and alcohol use, and safety concerns, among others. The Parent Advisory Council will hold its first meeting Monday, October 2 at 7:30 a.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:

- November 6 @ 6:00 p.m.
- December 4 @ 7:30 a.m.
- February 5 @ 6:00 p.m.
- March 5 @ 7:30 a.m.
- May 7 @ 6:00 p.m.

PICTURE RETAKES & SENIOR PORTRAITS

Retakes for students and staff pictures are scheduled for Monday, October 16. Seniors who were **NOT** photographed over the summer have only a few more opportunities to

have their senior portrait taken for the yearbook. The photographer will be in the auditorium from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on October 18 and 19. No purchase is necessary, however, there is a sitting fee. Seniors should have received a notice with the date and time of the portrait session. If you have any questions, please feel free to send an email to Sue Fontaine at sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us.

TOLLAND SOCCER CLUB - FALL 2017 RECREATION PROGRAM

We are recruiting volunteer buddies (middle school and high school age) to work with our TOPS Soccer Division players. TOPS Soccer is the name given to youth soccer division within our recreation program for players with physical and mental disabilities. The Tolland Soccer Club is celebrating its 18th consecutive season of TOP soccer for children ages 4-19 years old. We are seeking middle-school and high-school age volunteers to work with our TOP soccer players. Last year we had over 40 buddies participate in TOPS. We anticipate the need for 40 buddies this season as well. The players come from Tolland and surrounding communities. Soccer experience is not required; just a big heart, and strong desire to help other children achieve their dreams. We would be honored to have you join us as a volunteer buddy this fall. Please register with Lisa Bowden at 860-729-8466 or send an email at lisabobbowden@comcast.net. TOPS takes place on Tuesdays from 5:45-7:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 8:45-10:00 a.m.

TOLLAND PROJECT GRADUATION

Tolland Project Graduation Bottle/Clothing Drive will be held September 16, accepting items from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Drop-offs can be made at Birch Grove Primary at 147 Rhodes Road in Tolland. Community service hours are available for students and help from adults is appreciated 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., give an hour, two, or more. New this year in conjunction with our spring and fall bottle drives, we



will collect gently used clothing, linen, shoes, sports apparel (uniforms, cleats, etc.). This is in conjunction with Charities of Hope. Thank you for your continued support of Tolland Project Graduation! Please email tpg.bottledrive@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.



