

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

## ***10-14-19***

### **PSAT INFORMATION**

The **PSAT** will be administered to all freshmen, sophomores and juniors during the school day on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Seniors will have an opportunity to participate in a Counseling Department “**Wednesday Workshop**” in the Library Media Center from 8:15 a.m. until 10:15 a.m. This workshop is designed to provide our students with an additional opportunity to seek assistance from their school counselor on the various components of the college application process. Depending on where each individual is in the process, the time may be used to create or update their personal resume, fill out the Common App or college specific applications, write their admissions essay(s), etc.

There are a few reminders for students as we enter into this day:

- Testing will be conducted throughout the building beginning at 7:15 a.m. Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors should check the postings in the hallways for their room assignments.
- All testing students should bring a number 2 pencil and a calculator to the testing room. Calculators cannot be in the form of cell phones or smart watches and may not make any noise. Regular calculators such as scientific or graphing calculators are acceptable.
- No electronic devices will be permitted in the testing room. Cell phones, smart watches, iPods, or other electronic devices need to be put in your lockers. Testing proctors may collect your electronic devices in the testing room and return them to you after testing is complete if you choose not to leave them in your lockers.
- A study hall will be available in the cafeteria for seniors who are not able to provide their own transportation to school beginning at 7:15 a.m.
- There will be no access to lockers from 7:15 a.m until 11:00 a.m.

- Seniors who attend the “Wednesday Workshop” must remain in the Library until testing ends at 11:00 a.m.
- Seniors who have Senior Option need to arrange their work schedules accordingly to be dismissed at either 12:29 (Wave 3) or 12:58 (Wave 4) depending on their lunch wave.
- All students are expected to be in their Block 3 and 4 class based on the following schedule for the remainder of the day:

Activity	Lunch Wave	Start	End	Duration
Block 3		11:06	12:58	112
	Wave 1	11:06	11:31	25
	Wave 2	11:35	12:00	25
	Wave 3	12:04	12:29	25
	Wave 4	12:33	12:58	25
Block 4		1:04	1:43	39

Good luck with testing!

## **YEARBOOK INFORMATION**

You can purchase a yearbook online at [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com) using the code for Tolland High School of 10945820. Price starts at \$75 and goes up from there depending on the package that you purchase. After November 1<sup>st</sup> the base price goes up to \$85. The base price will then increase to \$90 after February 22<sup>nd</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 \$10.00. Parents can also purchase advertisements for the yearbook by going to [YBPay.com](http://YBPay.com) and use the Tolland High School code of 10945820. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Fontaine at

[sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us) or Jessica Fontaine at [jfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:jfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us).

## **CLASS DUES COLLECTION**

Class dues will be collected during lunch (see note below for sophomores) the week of October 15 - 18 for students in the Class of 2020, 2021, and 2022. Class dues are collected during each of a student's four years at THS to help pay the cost of the student's senior expenses such as caps and gowns, the senior banquet, the senior picnic (including transportation), class t-shirt and class gift. Dues for the student's freshman, sophomore and junior years are \$35.00 each year. Senior year dues are \$45.00. Any dues not paid during the designated collection week will be subject to a \$5.00 late fee per year. The \$150.00 paid by each student offsets a portion of senior expenses related to cap and gown, class day, class night, etc. Class fundraising efforts contribute towards the remaining costs. Our intent in having a portion of the total cost due each year is to avoid yet another "big bill" at graduation time. The class dues collected covers only a portion of senior expenses. There are no refunds for class dues.

## **HOMECOMING DANCE**

The Homecoming Dance will be held on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the Tolland High School gymnasium. If students would like to bring a guest that is NOT a THS student, they must complete a guest permission slip that can be found in the main office. The student must be a high school student and the permission slip must be signed by the guest's parent/guardian and the principal of their high school. After those signatures have been obtained, the form needs to be signed by Principal Fox. Students can turn the forms into the main office.

## **MCC INFORMATION**

The registration deadline for the MCC/CCP program is Thursday, October 31. Students must have registered online with MCC as well as complete

the THS registration form. Our school coordinator, Ms. Caitlin Foran, will be going into the fall semester classes where students can enroll concurrently in the program. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Foran at [cforan@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:cforan@tolland.k12.ct.us).

## **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 8<sup>th</sup>** and late registrations will NOT be accepted.

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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

October 14 - No School - Columbus Day  
October 14 - 18 - Class of 2021, 2022, 2023 Dues Collection  
October 16 - PSAT Testing  
October 17 - Financial Aid Seminar - 7:00 p.m. - Auditorium  
October 21 - Student & Staff I.D. Retakes  
October 21 - 25 - Class of 2019 Class Dues Collection  
October 21 - 25 - Spirit Week  
October 23 - Faculty In-Service - Early Release  
October 25 - Pep Rally  
October 26 - Homecoming Dance - 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.  
October 30 - Music Concert - 7:00 p.m. - Auditorium

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### **PICTURE RETAKES & SENIOR PORTRAITS**

Retakes for students and staff pictures are scheduled for Monday, October 21. If you have any questions, please feel free to send an email to Sue Fontaine at [sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us](mailto:sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us).

### **BOOSTER CLUB**

The next Tolland High School Booster Club meeting will be held on Monday, November 4 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).

## **Tolland Emergency Management Announces New C.E.R.T. Training Schedule**

You are invited to join your friends and neighbors as they participate in Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) training classes. Tolland Emergency Management is pleased to announce the newest C.E.R.T. class training schedule:

5\* Thursday Classes: 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Oct. 17th, Oct. 24th, Nov. 7th, Nov. 14th, Nov. 21st

and

3\* Saturday Classes: 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

Oct. 26th, Nov. 2nd, Nov. 9th

\*Please note participants must attend all classes

By participating in C.E.R.T. you will learn valuable skills such as: How to recognize hazards that are most likely to affect your home, workplace, and neighborhood, steps you can take to prepare for a disaster, identifying and reducing potential fire hazards in your home and what to do when disaster strikes.

You will also learn how to: Assist Emergency Management and First Responders in meeting the needs of the community during disasters and learn to be part of an important team serving the community.

If you are interested in this exciting opportunity please email [tollandemd@tolland.org](mailto:tollandemd@tolland.org) with your name, address and telephone number to reserve your seat. Class size is limited, be sure to reserve your seat by Oct 11th.

All classes will be held at the Tolland Fire Department Training Center located at [191 Merrow Road, Tolland, Connecticut](#).

For Additional information visit: [www.ready.gov/community-emergency-response-team](http://www.ready.gov/community-emergency-response-team)

[Read more](#)

# **Understanding Suicide:** **What we know and what can help**

**October 24, 6:30 p.m. Tolland High School**

In the last several years suicide has been among the top ten leading causes of death in the United States. In response there has been an increase in research and efforts to understand the causes of suicide, and help those who are experiencing thoughts of suicide. In this introductory talk Dr. Chapman will discuss some of the current information on suicide, and what is known about the experiences where an individual might have thoughts about suicide. We will also discuss examples of what has been proven to be helpful, including resources and ideas for communities, individuals and families. Ms. Duarte will share information on community response with an opportunity for discussion.

Following the talk there will be refreshments and time for questions and answers. Handouts with resources and information will be available. Please join us!

The presenters:

- Kathleen Chapman, Ph.D., CT Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services/River Valley Services/Clinical Manager; CT Psychological Association / Public Interest Representative; CT Suicide Advisory Board member
- Andrea Iger Duarte, M.P.H., L.C.S.W., CT Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services / Office of the Commissioner / Prevention & Health Promotion Division Manager; CT Suicide Advisory Board / Tri-Chair

***In Crisis call 1(800)273-TALK (8255) or 211 in CT or text "CT" to 741741; in an Emergency call or text 911; visit [www.preventsuicide.org](http://www.preventsuicide.org)***

*Hosted by: Tolland Local Prevention Council  
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