

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*

Here for you 860-335-2455



UPDATE FOR September 17, 2018

JUMP TO SCHOOL UPDATES:

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

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October 1, 2018 – SUPERINTENDENT BREAKFAST!
Come share your ideas and thoughts, over coffee and light breakfast items.

51 Tolland Green @ 10:00 AM

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Discovery Lab Grand Opening-Tolland Public LIBRARY

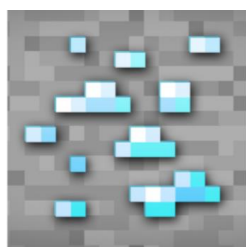
October 13, 2018

Lab open from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Ceremony 10:30 AM

Sign up for a slot (hourly slots available) from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM on October 13, 2018

Signup sheet will be available at the Tolland Public Library starting September 17, 2018



There is something *incredibly cool* happening at the **Tolland Public Library**. *The David Golden Discovery Lab* will soon be open for exploration. The Discovery Lab has been made possible by the Tolland Education Foundation, and is to be dedicated in the memory of David Golden, a leader in the community and former President of the Tolland Education Foundation. The lab is open to the public and contains technology not available to the average person. The midi and music resources, video editing and production software, game construction software, and Oculus Virtual Reality stations (with software) make this lab one of the most cutting edge in the State of Connecticut.

In the next Superintendent Bulletin I will put out some *preview* days and hours where users can sign up to have a tutorial sessions with a staff member and check the equipment out prior to the grand opening. There will also be slots available during the day of October 13, 2018. Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity to express your creativity, or visit "another world" in VR!

Check out the district Mastery Learning Plan and site!

http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/DistrictOffices/superintendent_s_corner/superintendent_willett_s_page/mastery_based_learning/

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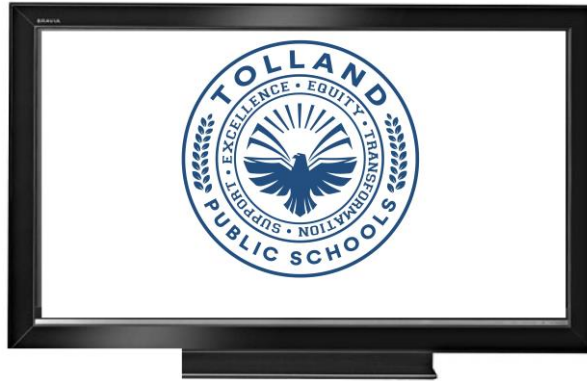
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Tolland Public Schools TV!



<http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/cms/One.aspx?portalId=891651&pageId=42643379>

PROJECT GRADUATION FEATURE:

<https://youtu.be/MkWA3cnGdio>

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BREAKFAST WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT



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

October 1, 2018
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

BUDGET INFO ON THE WEB:



http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/board_of_education/budget

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HOW TO CONTACT THE SUPERINTENDENT:



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_willett_s_page/c o n t a c t m e/](http://www.tolland.k12.ct.us/DistrictOffices/superintendent_s_corner/superintendent_willett_s_page/contactme/)

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Job Postings

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:

www.tolland.k12.ct.us

Secretary Position Available



The Board of Education is seeking a part time secretary. The position will start at 7:30am at the High School and then come to the BOE Office until 1:30pm. For more information and/or to apply, visit the Tolland Website under District/Human Resources/Employment Opportunities. Application deadline is September 14, 2018.

SUBSTITUTES ARE NEEDED DISTRICT WIDE

We need teacher, paraprofessional, custodial and food service substitutes.

You can choose what, where and how often you want to work.

Paper applications are available at the BOE office or can be printed from our website

www.tolland.k12.ct.us

Under District/Human Resources/Substitute Forms

Food service applications are under District/Human Resources/Employment Opportunities or feel free to call Kim Mecteau at 860-870-6850.

If you are not interested, do you know someone that might be such as a college student or retired family member. Please send them our way.

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**
- **Before School Aide – Mondays and Wednesday 7am – 8:30am at TIS**
- **After School Aide – Monday thru Friday 3:30pm – 5:30pm at BGP**

For more information and to apply visit our website at

www.tolland.k12.ct.us

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[Out of the Blue-Pregnancy and Postpartum Support Group](#)

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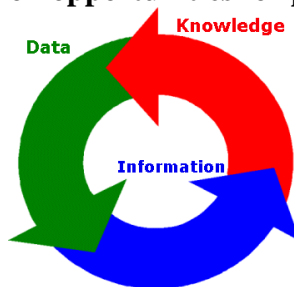
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Power School and Unified Classroom Resources

POWERSCHOOL UNIFIED CLASSROOM
Expanding information opportunities for parents and students!



Dear Parents and Students,

On February 9th, 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) 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

CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK:



www.facebook.com/tollandpublicschools

FOLLOW SUPERINTENDENT WILLETT ON TWITTER:



Search for:

[TPS_Sup_Willett](#)

Or

[Superint. Willett](#)

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Volunteer Information

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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