# Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin 9-17-18

### 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 class rank, mastery learning, teen drug and alcohol use, and safety concerns, among others. The Parent Advisory Council will hold its first meeting Monday, October 1 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 5 @ 6:00 p.m.
- December 3 @ 7:30 a.m.
- February 4 @ 6:00 p.m.
- March 4 @ 7:30 a.m.
- May 6 @ 6:00 p.m.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

September 18 - 9th Grade Parent Program - 7:30 a.m. - THS Library Media Center

September 22 - Project Graduation Bottle Drive at Birch Grove

September 28 - Progress Reports

October 1 - Parent Advisory Council - 7:30 a.m.

October 2 - 5 - Yearbook Sales

#### PICTURE RETAKES & SENIOR PORTRAITS

Retakes for students and staff pictures are scheduled for Monday, October 15. 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 11 and 12. 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.

#### **BOOSTER CLUB**

The next Tolland High School Booster Club meeting will be held on Monday, October 15 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 ineccidineen@yahoo.com.

#### TOLLAND SOCCER CLUB - FALL 2018 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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 22, 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.

