

Eagle News

October 2011

Dear parents, guardians, and friends of Windham High School,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many staff members, parents, and friends of Windham High School for making the homecoming events of last week a success. As I reflect on the success of the week, I cannot help but think that Eagle Pride is alive and well in our building. I wish that all of you could have had the opportunity to walk the halls during spirit week. You would have seen student after student exercising their creative energies to align with the theme of the day to support their class. My favorite activity of the week was our annual pep rally. It was absolutely amazing to see and hear 1000 students in school colors screaming at the top of their lungs as they competed against one another for class honors. Congratulations should be given to all of our students for the manner by which they conducted themselves during the spirit competitions and the athletic events of the week. In each of these activities, we should be proud of the manner by which our students represented their school and our communities.

The first of two nights of parent conferences will be coming up on October 20th. As a pilot this year, we will be trying out an online conference scheduling program. It is our hope that this program will simplify the process of scheduling conferences simpler for all parties. Specific instructions for how to use this program are included in this newsletter.

The Windham Raymond School Committee will be reviewing the attendance regulations for Windham High School students this year. The current attendance policy defines the number of absences that lead to an attendance failure and the number of absences a student may have in order to avoid taking a final exam. In preparation for this discussion, I will be collecting input from faculty members, students, and parents. As an opportunity for parents to give input, I will be holding a forum for parent input on October 24th from 6:30 to 7:30 in the auditorium. If you cannot make this event, please feel free to send me an e-mail or stop in to talk. A complete copy of the *Windham High School Attendance Regulation* can be found on the RSU 14 web-site.

As I write this message, it appears that several of our teams will be eligible for the playoffs this fall. I encourage each of you to take the time to get out and support our student athletes as they work to show their personal and team best on the fields and out on the courses.

Chris Howell, Principal

Parent / Teacher Conferences

October 20th 2:30 – 4:30 and 5:30 – 8:30

November 16th 5:00 – 7:30

Registering for Parent/Teacher conferences just got a lot easier.

This year the high school will be using an online service which allows for parents to register for specific meeting times online for any or all the teachers with which they want to see.

Start by going to the web page

http://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Windham_Raymond_School_District_RSU_14

At the web site, select from a list of all teacher conferences.

When you click on a conference name, you are given the opportunity to pick an available appointment slot for that conference (after entering and confirming an email address).

If you have any problems please contact Bob Asselin basselin@rsu14.org

Class of 2012 Project Graduation Committee will be selling pies at the Craft Fair on Nov. 12 & 13. We are looking for volunteers to bake pies or donate pies and to work the table on both days. If you can help out anyway at all please contact one of the following people:

Lesley Greep at wgreep@roadrunner.com

Cheryl Paluso at cherylpaluso@msn.com

Julie Dudley at JBarker4@myfairpoint.net

Thanks for all your support.

Costa Rica April 2012 still has openings! This is the trip of a lifetime with adventures in zip-lining, white water rafting, horseback riding, volcano viewing, ocean snorkeling and more. If you're interested, email Mrs. Soucy to get more information: psoucy@rsu14.org

ATHLETICS

- For all daily updates of our schedules please call our Hotline 892-1810 option 5 then option 1.

The High School Sports Fall Banquet will be on November 10th, 5:30 Café for dinner & 6:30 in the Main Gym (this is a change in location for this one time due to dress rehearsal for the musical).

For parents who would like to see the **Daily Announcements**, you can see it on our website. Go the Schools, Windham High School, For Parents, Announcements, Daily Announcements and click on a day. They are posted daily by 8:30 am.

WHS 3rd Annual Influenza Vaccine Clinic
Thursday, October 20, 2011, 7:30-11:30 AM
High School Auditorium

PARENTS:

- Please notify your child that you have signed them up for the clinic on October 20th.
- If your child has received the flu vaccine at their doctor's office and you sent in a consent form please notify the nurse.
- You can still send in consent forms but please complete every section especially the Health Insurance company and ID #. Without this information students will not receive the vaccine.
- This will be the only clinic at the High school.
- There will be a clinic at the Primary school on Wednesday, October 26th, from 1:00 -4:00 PM,
if your child missed the high school clinic.

There will be no charge for the clinic but your insurance company will be billed for the administration of the vaccine (\$14.00).

If you do not have insurance there will be no charge.

For consent forms and vaccination information sheets you can go to:

www.windhamraymondschools.org and click on the health tab.

Questions?

Contact WHS nurse Susan Accardi, RN at 892-1810 ext 430 or at

saccardi@windhamraymondschools.org

HEALTH SCREEN & PERMISSION FORM – Influenza Vaccine

Please answer the following questions about the person to be vaccinated. This will tell us who can receive the influenza vaccination in the school clinic setting.

Name:	Birthdate:	Age: Gender: M F
Street:	City: Zip:	Phone:
Grade: School:	Advisor:	

	YES	NO
1) Does this person have an allergy to eggs, gentamicin, gelatin, or arginine?		
2) Has this person ever had a severe reaction to an influenza immunization in the past?		
3) Has this person ever had Guillain-Barre Syndrome?		

If you answered “yes” to any of the above questions, this person cannot receive flu vaccine at the scheduled school clinic. Please contact your health care provider instead.

4) Does this person have asthma, diabetes, lung disease, heart disease, kidney problems, a blood disorder, immunodeficiency disease, or take aspirin or immunosuppressive therapies?		
5) Has this person received any other vaccinations in the past 4 weeks? Include date and type of vaccinations received: _____		
6) Does this person have a weakened immune system, or come in close contact with someone who has a severely weakened immune system (i.e., being cared for in a protective environment), or is this person taking medications, such as steroids or those used to treat cancer?		
7) Could this person be pregnant?		
8) Is this person insured by MaineCare (Medicaid)?		
9) Is this person an American Indian or an Alaskan Native?		
10) Is this person under-insured (has insurance that does not cover flu vaccine)?		
11) Is this person uninsured?		
12a) Health care provider:	12b) Healthcare provider phone number:	
13) Health Insurance Company (if any) and ID Number:		

	YES	NO
14) I give permission for a record of this vaccination to be used to bill either MaineCare or private insurance for the cost of providing the vaccine and agree to allow this information to be entered into the ImmPact2 registry which will be available to primary care providers.		

15) I was given a copy of the 2011 Influenza Vaccine Information Statement and I have read it or had it explained to me. I understand the benefits and risks of the 2011 Influenza Vaccination **and ask that the vaccine be given to this person**. I understand that if I sign below, I am giving my consent either on behalf of myself, my child/ward, or both, to receive the most appropriate vaccine, as determined by the health care provider giving the vaccination.

X _____
 Signature of person to be vaccinated or signature of parent or guardian if person to be vaccinated is a minor

Parent or Guardian Name (please print): _____ Date: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date Administered	Dose	Vaccine	Vaccine Manufacturer	Lot Number	Dose Volume	Signature and Title of School Vaccine Provider	Body Site	Route	2011-12 VIS date
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The Class of 2014 would like to send a special thank you to: Mr. and Mrs. Breton, Mr. Rich, Mrs. Wassick, Windham Center Stage and Diane Hancock for all of their help during Homecoming!

Please contact us if you are able to help with any of the following...

- PVC piping that we need to store until Homecoming next year.
- Tie-dyed bandanas for sale \$7 each. They are maroon, white and blue with an eagle.
- Clynk account is up and running - bags are available!
- Thursday, October 13th from 6 to 7:15
 - First planning meeting for parents interested in helping with The Price is Right fundraiser on May 19th
 - Meeting in the open cafeteria at the High School
 - Please let us know if you plan on attending
- Saturday, November 12th and Sunday, November 13th Craft Fair
 - Bakers needed - items do not need to be individually wrapped
 - Volunteers needed to help with the booth
 - Volunteers needed to help with clean up on Sunday from 3pm to 7pm
 - Thank you to all who have already responded...we will be contacting you directly in a few weeks.

Thank you in advance for all of your help!

Karen Petcher (kpetcher@rsu14.org)

Jennifer Viel (jviel@rsu14.org)

Important Information Regarding High School Communications

The high school sends out all newsletters and information by email. You can join the program at:
http://33lnt.com/mailman/listinfo/WindhamHighSchool_33lnt.com

There is a link on the school department web-site in the 'What's New' section.
www.windhamraymondschools.org

If you want to continue to receive a paper copy of the newsletter, please send a note in to the main office with your student. Thank you.



TEEN READ WEEK IS OCTOBER 16-22, 2011

HELP US CELEBRATE!

This year's theme is **PICTURE IT @ YOUR LIBRARY** and students will be asked to think about how images can enhance the reading experience.

Any student who submits a review will be entered to win one of two pairs of movie tickets to the Cinemagic in Westbrook. Review forms can be picked up in the library.

"Caught READ Handed" Teen Read Week Version: Teachers and staff can catch your students reading, fill out a form starting October 1st. Students who are caught reading during the month of October will have their names entered to win one of 25 spots for a private screening of *Soul Surfer* based on the book of the same name by Bethany Hamilton on Friday, October 21st in the library. The movie will run from 11:45-2:00.

And last, but not least...To keep the tradition going, we will be sponsoring an advisory contest. Advisory groups are being asked to imagine and create an original movie poster for their favorite book. If you could design it, what would it be? Post your entries on your door the week of October 17th and you'll be entered to win a doughnut party in advisory.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Windham High School is pleased to announce our fall musical *The Wizard of Oz!* This production includes all of your favorite songs from the movie, plus a few surprises. The show is directed by Rob Juergens, with musical direction by Dr. Rick Nickerson and choreography by Vanessa Beyland.

Show dates will be:

Friday, 11/11, 7:00 PM
Saturday, 11/12, 7:00 PM
Sunday, 11/13, 4:00 PM
Friday, 11/18, 7:00 PM
Saturday, 11/19, 7:00 PM
Sunday, 11/20, 4:00 PM

Tickets are \$11 for adults and \$7 for seniors and students. They will be available at the door, or can be reserved by emailing fallmuscial@gmail.com or calling 893-1742.

ZumbaFest

COME DANCE THE AFTERNOON AWAY WITH ZUMBA

Sunday, October 23, 2011

From 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Windham Primary School Gym

Ladies, gentleman, boys and girls are welcome to join in the fun!

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL SUPPORT WINDHAM/RAYMOND HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL!

This is a donation event (suggested donation \$10.00)

Raffles, Door Prizes and Munchies Galore!!

Come Celebrate Windham's Newest Sport with a Fall ZumbaFest Party!!!

ZumbaFest will be hosted by our own Dinah Aldrich!!!

We will see you there!



Upcoming events

October 10 – No School

October 12 – Senior breakfast, PSAT's, Freshmen Awareness

October 16 to 22 – Teen Read Week

October 19 – Picture re-take day

October 20 – Flu shot clinic

October 20 – Parent Teacher Conferences

October 23 - Zumbafest

November 4 – 1st quarter ends

November 8 – Blood Drive

November 10 – Sports Banquet

November 11 – No school

November 11, 12, 13 – Musical – Wizard of Oz

November 12, 13 – Athletic Booster Craft Fair

November 16 – Parent Teacher Conferences

November 18, 19, 20 – Musical – Wizard of Oz

November 21 to 25 – No School