

Eagle News

August 2011

Important Information Regarding High School Communications

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS THE ONLY NEWSLETTER YOU WILL RECEIVE IN THE POSTAL MAIL UNLESS YOU SPECIFICALLY REQUEST ONE MAILED.

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.

Student Parking

Applications for parking passes can be picked up in the school resource officer's office across from the athletic office. Passes are \$5.00 and the applications require a parent or guardian signature. Students can bring the application, their license, proof of insurance and current registration to Officer Smith's office between the hours of 8:00 and 2:00 beginning August 25th. Students are not allowed to park behind the gym or in the middle school lots as these are for faculty. The main entrances will be the only unlocked doors after 7:25 a.m. Any cars without parking tags will be issued a ticket and will be subject to towing.

Morning Drop off

For parents dropping off in the morning, you are strongly encouraged to use the drop off circle near the canopy entrance by the gym. You can enter through the parking lot, pull through the circle and return out onto the loop road, avoiding most of the bus traffic.

All drivers on campus are reminded that the speed limit is 15 miles per hour. Please be safe!

ATTENTION 9TH GRADE PARENTS

You are cordially invited for bagels and juice and a one hour orientation with an introductory question and answer session. Please join us on **August 30th** at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast. Following will be a meeting in the auditorium from 7:30 to 8:30 for a question and answer session with Chris Howell, Principal; Kelli Deveaux and Deb McAfee, Assistant Principals; Jeff Smith, School Resource Officer and Janet Caner, Director of Student Services (guidance).

Please note: your student may say that they don't need you to be here, but all 9th grade parents are encouraged to attend!

Dressing for Success

We all know that different times and places require different attire. At Windham High School, we want our students to ***dress for success*** and ready to learn. So it's time for the beach wear to be packed away and the non-distracting, classy school wear to come out!!

We will be consistently and as a whole school, enforcing our dress code expectations this year. Students will be in compliance or given clothing to change into and returned to their learning as quickly as possible.

There appeared to be some confusion last year, so we would like to clarify and reiterate with students and parents our expectations for dress code at Windham High School. This information will be reviewed with the students on opening day as well.

A quick guide:

Shorts must have a minimum 5" inseam. For your use, we have attached a 5 inch "measure" that you can use to check at home.

Skirts & tunics over leggings must be longer than fingertip length as naturally worn. A quick way to test is to walk up and down a flight of stairs, then place your arms straight to your sides, shoulders relaxed.

Straps on dresses or shirts must be a minimum width of two fingers and ensure that no undergarments are showing. Make the "peace" sign, bring the fingers together and place against your strap. Straps should be seen on both sides of the two fingers, and no bra straps should be showing.

Shirt necklines should cover from armpit to armpit across the front without cleavage. Layered shirts that ensure this area is covered is acceptable.

Slogans or symbols on clothing or jewelry that include drug, alcohol, sexual or derogatory references are inappropriate for a school setting.

Undergarments are meant to be worn *under* clothing. Ladies and gentlemen will have their pants worn such that they do not display undergarments, and bras & undershirts are covered.

It is our hope that this reminder will help us avoid wardrobe changes in school, and subsequent violations that lead to parent phone calls and further disciplinary actions.

If you have any questions about the expectations, please do not hesitate to contact our administrative team.

ATHLETICS

There will be a parent *Meet the Coaches Night* on August 25th 6:30 in the auditorium for all parents and athletes of a high school sports team.

- For all daily updates of our schedules please call our Hotline 892-1810 option 5 then option 1.
- Homecoming week 9/26-10/1 (parade & Homecoming Dance on 10/1)

Families of Students New to Windham/Raymond

On August 30th, we will be holding an informational meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the library for families and students who are new to the Windham & Raymond communities and transferring to Windham High School. This will be an opportunity for you to ask questions, learn about opportunities for your student to become involved, and to receive a tour of the building.

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians of Windham High School,

On behalf of the staff of Windham High School, it is my sincere pleasure to welcome each of you to the 2012 school year. We have all been blessed by another beautiful Maine summer; I hope that for all of you it has been a safe and relaxing time, filled with memories that will last for years to come.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Windham High School Community. I have been appointed to be the new Principal of Windham High School, however, Windham is not a new place for me. I started my career in Windham in 1996 as a Biology teacher at Windham High School after teaching middle school science for 3 years in Saco. Over the past fifteen years, I have had the pleasure of serving the school district as a teacher, assistant principal, curriculum coordinator, principal, and my most recent position was as the Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment. Windham High School has always been a special place for me and I am excited about the opportunity to lead the building where I started.

Another school year is just around the corner. The custodians have been busily cleaning everything in sight, the office has been filled with countless packages, and pre-season athletics is already in full swing. The beginning of school is one of my favorite times of year. It is a time of new beginnings, goal setting, aspirations, and a time to reflect on the year that was just completed. In the rhythm of the school year, the beginning of school can be like a New Year's Eve. It is a time to reflect on the past and make plans for the future. As we begin this upcoming school year, take some time to talk to your student about their goals for the upcoming year and what they would like to accomplish. Also, encourage your student to become involved in one of the many clubs, sports, and activities that are offered at Windham High School. In June, I hope that we can both celebrate the achievements and accomplishments that have occurred over the 2011-2012 school year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome the parents and students of the Class of 2015 and all of the families that are new to the communities of Windham and Raymond. We are looking forward to meeting all of you and want to ensure that you have a successful transition into the building. We have a series of events and activities planned during the first week of school. August 30th will be the first day of school for the incoming freshman class. We have activities planned to help with their transition as well as an informational session for Freshman parents. (Please see newsletter for more information on this day)

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Finally, I would like to thank the teachers, staff, parents, students, and community members who have helped with my transition this summer. I look forward to seeing and meeting many of you over the upcoming school year. Please feel free to stop into the office to introduce yourself or just to say hello.

Have a great school year!

Chris Howell
Principal

August 30th - Freshmen students need to report to school by 7:25 a.m. and **bring \$3.00** to cover snacks and lunch on August 30th. Students will meet with their advisors and run through their schedules. They will get new copies of their schedules that will also have their locker number and combination on it. At lunch, we will have an activity fair so students can find out what we offer for clubs and activities.

Attention all parents: Please watch for important information coming home the first day of school. This will include emergency forms, free/reduced lunch forms, and school lunch account information. Many of the forms you receive must be completed and returned. Thank you.

August 31st – ALL students report to school by 7:25 a.m. Seniors will report to the performing arts center and all other students will go to their advisory groups. Upperclassmen will get copies of their schedules in advisory group and follow a shortened period schedule for the day. Students will have an extended advisory time to get the necessary paperwork to start school. Clubs and Activities will be showcasing their organizations at lunch.

Community Service- We hope students volunteered some community service hours over the summer. Please make sure to bring in your slips to your homeroom teacher or drop them off in Student Services so we can record them. If you need a form, you can get them here in the main office, Student Services office or on the school website – <http://www.windhamraymondschools.org> – choose schools – high school – under what's new on the left side column – choose summer community service

Open House – On Tuesday, September 13, 2011, from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m., we will host our Open House. (We will also have the information on the insurance plan for the computers.) Parents and students should get copies of their schedule outside the auditorium then head into the auditorium. At 6:10, there will be a welcome by Principal Chris Howell and then parents will follow their student's schedule to meet the teachers and see classrooms. Refreshments will be served. We hope you can join us to meet the teachers who will be working with your student this year. The Student Services counselors, Doug Daigle, (our school Social Worker), Officer Jeff Smith and the administrative team will be available. Please stop by!

Student Services – All schedule changes must be done by September 9th. Please call for an appointment. 892-1810 ext. 456

Vocational Students – Seniors only will be allowed to drive to vocational school with permission from the vocational school and parents. **All underclassmen must ride the bus.**
Westbrook Voc. starts on September 1st. Portland Voc. starts on September 6th.

ATTENTION SENIORS:

Senior pictures for the 2012 yearbook are due **OCTOBER 3rd**. Please send a hard copy (wallet size) or a digital copy to jsullivan@rsu14.org. Digital photos **MUST** be .JPEG and **HIGH RESOLUTION** to ensure best quality.

Senior messages **SHOULD NOT** be emailed. Mrs. Sullivan will have a form in room 126 that seniors can pick up when we get back to school. There is a 400 character limit on messages. This form must also be in by **OCTOBER 3rd**, no exceptions.

Also, 'remember when' pictures for the yearbook are due **October 3rd**. These are for the yearbook and not the senior "Class Day" slide show, those pictures can be directed to Trish Soucy or Tianna Burton, the Class of 2012 advisors.

You are welcome to take your own senior pictures or use your favorite photographer.

**WINDHAM HIGH SCHOOL
SPORTS SCHEDULE
FALL 2011**

as of 8/15/11

JV/Varsity Boys Soccer				
Date	Day	Opponent	JV	Var
3 Sept	Sat	at Portland	9:00	11:00
6	Tues	GORHAM	4:00	6:00
8	Thurs	NOBLE	4:00	6:00
13	Tues	at Biddeford	4:00	4:00
15	Thurs	at Thornton Acad	4:00	6:00
20	Tues	CHEVERUS	4:00	6:00
22	Thurs	at South Portland	4:00	6:00
27	Tues	MARSHWOOD	4:00	6:00
1 Oct	Sat	SCARBOROUGH	3:00	5:00
4	Tues	at Westbrook	4:00	6:00
6	Thurs	DEERING	4:00	6:00
11	Tues	at Sanford	4:00	6:00
13	Thurs	MASSABESIC	4:00	6:00
18	Tues	at Bonny Eagle	4:00	6:00

Varsity Coach: Colin Minte
J.V. Coach: Ian Clough

JV/Varsity Girls Soccer				
Date	Day	Opponent	JV	Var
3 Sept	Sat	PORTLAND	9:00	11:00
7	Wed	at Gorham	4:00	6:00
12	Mon	at McAuley	4:00	4:00
14	Wed	BIDDEFORD	4:00	6:00
16	Fri	at Marshwood	4:00	4:00
20	Tues	at Cheverus	4:00	4:00
22	Thurs	SOUTH PORTLAND	4:00	6:00
24	Sat	NOBLE	9:30	11:30
1 Oct	Sat	SCARBOROUGH	1:30	3:00
5	Wed	WESTBROOK	4:00	6:00
7	Fri	at Deering	4:00	6:00
12	Wed	SANFORD	4:00	6:00
14	Fri	at Massabesic	4:00	4:00
18	Tues	BONNY EAGLE	4:00	6:00

Varsity Coach: Deb Lebel
J.V. Coach: Jeff Fish

First Tm Boys Soccer			
Date	Day	Opponent	Start
10 Sept	Sat	YARMOUTH	11:30
17	Sat	GORHAM	11:00
24	Sat	PORTLAND	11:00
15 Oct	Sat	at Yarmouth	11:30
17	Mon	at Gorham	4:00
19	Wed	at Portland	3:00

Coach: Nick Dubay

First Tm Girls Soccer			
Date	Day	Opponent	Start
10 Sept	Sat	YARMOUTH	10:00
17	Sat	GORHAM	9:30
24	Sat	PORTLAND	9:30
8-Oct	Sat	at Freeport	12:30
15	Sat	at Yarmouth	10:00
17	Mon	at Gorham	4:00
19	Wed	at Portland	4:30

Coach: Kerry Townsend

Cross Country B's & G's				
Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Start
27-Aug	Sat	at Lakes Region Invt	LRHS	10a
1 Sept	Thurs	at SMAA Relays		4:00
9	Fri	MCA, BIDDEFORD		4:00
16	Fri	at Deer w/ Mass, TA		4:00
23	Fri	at SP w/ Noble		4:00
28	Wed	CHEV, MARSH		4:00
7 Oct	Fri	at Kenn, w/ Port, San		4:00
14	Fri	at Scar w/ West, Gor, BE		4:00
22	Sat	at Regional Meet	Twin Brooks	
29	Sat	at States	Twin Brooks	

Coach: Jeff Riddle
JV B's & G's Coach: Suzie Brockelbank

VolleyBall				
Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Start
8-Sep	Th	SCARBOROUGH	WHS	500
15	Th	YARMOUTH	WHS	500
23	Fri	at Cape	Cape	500
24	Sat	at Scarborough	SHS	1100
29	Th	GORHAM	WHS	500
5-Oct	Wed	CAPE	WHS	500
6	Th	at Yarmouth	YHS	500
12	Wed	at Gorham	GHS	500

Coach: Ashley Marble

Notes:
Parent Meet the Coaches - 8/25 630pm Auditorium
Homecoming Week 9/26 - Parade 10/1 (arrive 830a)

Contacting Staff

We have several options you can use to reach a staff member at Windham High School. We all have the same address - @RSU14.org. All you have to do is type the person's first initial and last name before the address above - such as: prossetti@RSU14.org to reach Phil Rossetti. All faculty and staff members also have voice mail. You can access teacher voice mail by dialing 892-1810 and selecting option 2 for a dial by name directory. A list of all the WHS employees can be found on our web site.

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Varsity Football			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Start</u>
22 Aug	Mon	at Biddeford <i>control scrim</i>	4:00
28	Fri	NOBLE <i>exhibition</i>	7:00
2 Sept	Fri	at Scarborough	7:00
9	Fri	DEERING	7:00
17	Sat	at Thornton Academy	TBA
23	Fri	KENNEBUNK	7:00
30	Fri	PORTLAND	7:00
7 Oct	Fri	at Massabesic	7:00
14	Fri	SOUTH PORTLAND	7:00
21	Fri	at Bonny Eagle	7:00

Varsity Coach: Matt Perkins

JV Football			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Start</u>
5 Sept	Mon	SCARBOROUGH	9:00
12	Mon	at Deering	3:30
19	Mon	THORNTON ACADEMY	4:00
26	Mon	at Kennebunk	4:00
3 Oct	Mon	at Portland	3:30
10	Mon	MASSABESIC	10:00
15	Sat	at South Portland	10:00
24	Mon	BONNY EAGLE	4:00

Frosh Football			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Start</u>
2-Sept	Fri	SCARBOROUGH	3:30
9	Fri	at Deering	3:30
15	Thurs	THORNTON ACADEMY	4:00
23	Fri	at Kennebunk	4:00
29	Thurs	at Portland	3:30
6 Oct	Thurs	MASSABESIC	4:00
14	Fri	at South Portland	3:30
20	Thurs	BONNY EAGLE	4:00

Varsity/JV Field Hockey				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Var</u>	<u>JV</u>
31 Aug	Wed	DEERING	4:00	5:30
6 Sept	Tues	THORNTON ACAD	4:00	5:30
8	Thurs	at Cheverus	4:00	5:30
10	Sat	at Kennebunk	10:00	11:30
12	Mon	MCAULEY	4:00	5:30
18	Fri	WESTBROOK	4:00	5:30
20	Tues	at Massabesic	4:00	5:30
22	Thurs	PORTLAND	4:00	5:30
24	Sat	at Bonny Eagle	10:00	11:30
28	Mon	at Noble	4:00	5:30
28	Wed	at Marshwood	8:00	4:15
1 Oct	Sat	SCARBOROUGH	1:30	3:00
4	Tues	at South Portland	3:30	5:00
6	Thurs	GORHAM	4:00	5:30

Varsity Coach: Christena Dillon
JV Coach: Monica Noel

Varsity Golf				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Start</u>
1 Sept	Thurs	at Westbrook		3:30
6	Tues	at Greely	Val Halla	3:30
8	Thurs	at Thornton Acad	Bidd Saco	3:30
12	Mon	GORHAM	Pt. Sebago	3:30
14	Wed	at Bonny Eagle	Salmon Fa	3:30
19	Mon	WESTBROOK	Pt. Sebago	3:30
21	Wed	GREELY	Pt. Sebago	3:30
23	Fri	THORNTON ACAD	Pt. Sebago	3:30
27	Tues	at Gorham	GCC	3:30
28	Wed	Girls Qualifier	Wilowdale	10:00
29	Thurs	BONNY EAGLE	Pt. Sebago	3:30
3 Oct	Mon	SMAA Team		
		Ind Qualifier		
		League Championship		
5	Wed	JV Tourney	GCC	
10	Mon	State Team	Nataris	
15	Sat	State Individual	Nataris	

Coach: Adam Manzo

First Field Hockey			
<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Start</u>
6 Sept	Tues	at Thornton Acad	400
10	Sat	KENNEBUNK	1000a
16	Fri	at Westbrook	400
17	Sat	at Bonny Eagle	930
24	Fri	at Bonny Eagle	1000a
26	Fri	WESTBROOK	330
1	Oct	at Scarborough	TBA
8	Thurs	at Gorham	330
7	Fri	THORNTON ACAD	400

Coach:

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New Staff:

We are excited to welcome 7 outstanding teachers to our staff. **Julianne Maloney**, who joined us for second semester last year after four years of teaching in Virginia, will be continuing with us permanently as a 3/5th English teacher. **Bethany Helfrick** has moved from Massachusetts to Maine to continue her career as an English teacher, also. **Ted Becker** joins us from New Hampshire where he taught both at the high school and college level, and will be teaching Biology. **David Small** will be returning to the science department after a one year leave during which he worked with the State of Maine to further their Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Project. **Breton Hines** will be working in the Social Studies department in a one year position and brings with him seven years of experience teaching and coaching in various private schools and in Taiwan. **Eva Pacinogen** from Jordan Small Middle School will be teaching one period of Spanish for us, and **Katie Hutchinson** will be heading our Alternative Program for Excellence (APEX) program, bringing with her impressive experience working with youth in Southern Maine. As of press time we are still seeking an outstanding math teacher to join our staff.

If you know someone who is not receiving this newsletter, please have them contact the main office with their email address. Thanks for your help. Dial 892-1810, option 3.

Upcoming events

August 25 – 6:30 p.m. Pre-Season Meet the Coaches meeting

August 30 – First day for Freshmen and Parent meeting 7:25 in Auditorium – Students must bring \$3.00

August 30 – 6:00 p.m. – Informational meeting for families new to Windham/Raymond

August 31 – All students attend – Blue day, periods 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

September 1 – Maroon day, periods 1, 3, 5, 7

September 1 – Westbrook Vocational School starts

September 2 & 5 – No school

September 6 – Portland Vocational School starts

September 6 – White day, periods 2, 4, 6, 8

September 7 – School Pictures – All students must take a picture

September 11 – Windham Athletic Booster Club Auto Show on high school campus

September 13 – Open House

September 26 – October 1 – Homecoming week

October 1 – Homecoming parade and dance

October 3 – Senior pictures due for yearbook

October 7 – Early Release 10:00 a.m.

October 10 – No School

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

October 19 – Picture re-take day

October 20 – Flu shot clinic

November 4 – 1st quarter ends

November 8 – Blood Drive

November 11 – No school

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