

# Eagle News

September 2011

## Message from the Principal

Dear parents and friends of Windham High School,

We have had a great start to our school year at Windham High School and it is hard to believe that the first week has already come to an end. Teachers and students are beginning to settle into the regular routine of the high school schedule. Each day, the lunch lines are moving more quickly and students have found the most efficient pathway that they need to travel from class to class. The ninth grade students have done a great job transitioning into the building. Already, they know the difference between a white day and a maroon day and they are now capable of giving directions to the 300 wing or the salsa pod.

I would like to thank all of our students for their cooperation and attention to the Windham High School dress code. While the dress code has not changed from past years, the school leadership team and the Student Council identified the compliance to this code as an important issue to be addressed this year. As you have probably heard by now, each of our kickoff class meetings included a short video produced by student council and a time for students to ask questions. From the first day that this was rolled out to our students, I have been impressed by the efforts that students have made to comply. Already, the results from this cooperative effort have made a significant difference for our school.

October 1<sup>st</sup> will mark the return of dances to Windham High School for students. As you probably remember, dances were suspended during the school year last year because of inappropriate student behavior and unsafe conditions during one of the school dances. We are treating the first dance of the year as a pilot dance to determine whether or not we will be holding additional dances throughout the school year. In preparation for the homecoming dance, we will be putting several things in place to ensure that we can provide a safe environment for students. First, we will be working with interested students and Student Council to develop a dance contract for student behavior. All students who will be attending the dance will need to sign this contract. Second, we will be working with the Athletic Boosters to provide the safest and most appropriate dance environment for our students. It is our hope that this dance will be successful and that we will be able to hold additional dances throughout the year.

The next couple of weeks will contain many opportunities for students to personally participate in school activities or to go to activities as a fan. Please take some time to review the opportunities that are outlined within this newsletter. They are great opportunities for your student to show their Eagle Pride.

See you at Open House!

Chris Howell  
Principal

## Is your senior prepared for college?

As seniors gear up to apply to colleges, it is important to review the criteria that can make or break their chances of getting accepted to their dream college. First and foremost, colleges expect seniors to take a **full and challenging course load**. Although Windham High School requires a minimum of four credits for seniors, that does not mean that colleges don't expect a rigorous course schedule senior year! We hear all too often that college freshmen are taking remedial courses in order to be ready for college level courses! That means that obtaining a college degree is going to take longer and cost more. Senior year is the time to take advanced courses and explore challenging electives which will also help students identify a college major. Please review your son/daughter's senior year schedule to insure that he/she is carrying a strong schedule of courses. Additional offerings are available through Virtual High School as well as at area colleges. Please contact the Student Services Department for more information.

## ASVAB

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Test (ASVAB) will be given here on Wednesday, September 28th. The ASVAB includes eight individual tests covering verbal and math skills, mechanical knowledge, electronics, and several other areas. The scores can be used as an aid in the exploration of a wide variety of career options. The ASVAB is also the entrance exam for all branches of the armed services. The scores are valid for two years. \*Windham High School will not provide names and scores from the ASVAB to any branch of the Armed Services without student's permission!\* Limited to 20 students. Open to seniors and juniors only. The test takes approximately 2 ½ hours, BEGINNING AT 7:30 am. There will be a follow up meeting to explain the scores and related careers for further exploration. Parental permission is required to miss classes.

## Donations from the Community

We would like to thank our community partners for donations throughout the school year. Those partners include but are not limited to: Olympia Sports, State Farm Insurance and Target. Thank you for your continued support.



You are your child's best role model for leading an active healthy lifestyle. **Parents on the Move**, a program of the Windham/Raymond Recreation Department, has created an opportunity for parents of children involved in sports to walk, hike, or bike during sports practices. We know you are busy, so why not take a few minutes while your child is exercising to do something good for yourself? You deserve it! Whether you are at the Windham High school grounds or Lowell or Gambo fields, you can spend 10 minutes or an hour on the track or trails. Look for the Parents on the Move logo to guide you.

**WINDHAM**  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION

**SHIRT**  
Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_  
Size(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**SHIRT**  
Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_  
Size(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**SHORT**  
Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_  
Size(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**SET**  
\$13

**BOB**  
THE SCREENPRINTER

**Contact Information**

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**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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892-1810 ext. 388  
**Make checks payable to:**  
Windham High School Physical Education

Do U i225? Do you know about “The Centers for Wellness”? Have you heard about the programming occurring in RSU14 due to the “Carol M. White PEP Grant”?

**WELL.....GET ON BOARD** and visit [www.i225.org](http://www.i225.org)

If you would like to be a part of the enthusiasm and show your support why not purchase a stylish shirt or shorts? All funds will be used toward program sustainability. Please contact Melissa Dubois at [mdubois@rsu14.org](mailto:mdubois@rsu14.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:	

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
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?		
<b>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.</b>		
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:		

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
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.		
<p>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 <b>and ask that the vaccine be given to this person.</b> 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.</p> <p><b>X</b> _____</p> <p>Signature of person to be vaccinated or signature of parent or guardian if person to be vaccinated is a minor</p> <p>Parent or Guardian Name (please print): _____ Date: _____</p>		

**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
/    /								<input type="checkbox"/> IM <input type="checkbox"/> Intranasal	07/26/11

**Reminder Seasonal Flu Clinic** for students and staff will be held at the high school on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 8-11 am in the back of the auditorium. Please return completed consent form ASAP to the school nurse or main office.

For more information please contact:

*Susan Accardi, RN*  
*RSU #14*  
*Windham High School*  
*Windham, ME 04062*

207-892-1810 ext 430  
[saccardi@windhamraymondschools.org](mailto:saccardi@windhamraymondschools.org)



*Lower Falls Belfast*

**Interested in heading to Ireland & Scotland?** Come join Ms. Leavitt & Mrs. Niedoroda for the April 2012 student trip to Ireland & Scotland. Lots to see and lots of fun! There is an informational meeting Wednesday, September 21 in room 202 at 6:30 p.m. Please join us!

## **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](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](http://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.

This is a reminder to drivers on campus that the bus lane that is the road between the high school and middle school is closed to traffic from 6 a.m. until 4 p.m. We have had several parents drive down this road while busses are entering the campus and while we are loading our vocational students on the bus. There is a large fine for passing a school bus with its lights on and that does apply to the school campus. We want to assure the safety of our students and busses.

## 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. 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.

## ATHLETICS

- 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)

### ***Volleyball Is Sanctioned As School Sport***

At a June meeting the RSU # 14 School Board voted to support volleyball as a new sport at Windham High School for this upcoming fall season. The sport is another athletic offering for girls and has proven to be very popular this fall with over thirty girls participating. It's a sport that many area schools have added to their athletic programming. Please take a minute this fall to drop by a match and support the newest sport in our district.

### ***Alumni Conference Room In The Works***

Over this past summer the Alumni Conference Room in the Athletic Arena at Windham High as taken steps towards being a true "alumni room". It's the intention of the Athletic Department to display many pieces of history that represent the past accomplishments of teams, clubs, activities and individuals while they were at Windham High School. If you have a piece of memorabilia that you would like to donate to the Alumni Conference Room please contact Rich Drummond, Athletic Director at [rdrummond@windhamraymondschools.org](mailto:rdrummond@windhamraymondschools.org)

### ***Senior Male / Female Athlete of the Week***

This fall the Athletic Department has instituted a weekly *Male and Female Senior Athlete of the Week*. This recognition will be handed out every Monday for the prior weeks positive contributions to the team and school ON AND OFF the playing surfaces. At the end of the year all names of recipients will go into a pool where one male and one female will be awarded a \$250 scholarship supported by Bob the Screenprinter.

**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 – 8:40 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. The Technology staff will also be available for questions regarding Infinite Campus. Please stop by!

## **ATTENTION SENIORS:**

Senior pictures for the 2012 yearbook are due OCTOBER 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please send a hard copy (wallet size) or a digital copy to [jsullivan@rsu14.org](mailto: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. There is a 400 character limit on messages. This form must also be in by OCTOBER 3<sup>rd</sup>, no exceptions.

Also, 'remember when' pictures for the yearbook are due October 3<sup>rd</sup>. 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.

## **Upcoming events**

**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/write up due for yearbook**

**October 6 – 1Q Progress Reports distributed**

**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 – 1<sup>st</sup> quarter ends**

**November 8 – Blood Drive**

**November 11 – No school**



## **PROJECT GRADUATION CLASS OF 2012**

Project Graduation 2012 is using Patman's Redemption Center on Rte 115 in North Windham as our recycling center. Please drop off any recyclables to Patman's ... tell them the bottles are for Windham Project Grad ... or stick on note on your bags.

### **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](mailto: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.

**VOICE MAILBOX #'s      CODE**

Abbott, Erin	370	Helfrick, Bethany	289	Rossetti, Phil	265
Accardi, Sue - Nurse	430	Heric, Amy	283	Sanders, Jeff	389
Adult Ed.	448	Higgins, Scott	352	Sandifer, Monica	294
Artes, Brody	393	Hill, Connie	241	School Resource Officer	333
<b>Auditorium</b> /CJ Payne	341	Hines, Breton	257	School Store	332
Autism Room	132	Holmes-Perkins, Melissa	271	Schwartz, Mary	297
Babcock, James	462	Howe, Melissa	279	Scontras, Stan	272
Bartholomew, Kim	374	Hutchinson, Katie	254	Sinclair, Casey	316
Beam, Michael/ <b>Day</b>					
<b>Treat.</b>	133	Jackson, Dan	526	Small, David	245
Becker, Ted	273	Jasper, Donna	351	Small, Pete	382
Bell, Jeff	375	Jewell, Ronn	368	<b>Smith, Jeff</b>	<b>333</b>
Bickford, Marni	242	Kearney-Graffam, Colleen	243	Soucy, Patricia	267
Bicknell, Marleen	474	Kitchen	143	Special Education	136
Bragdon, Kelly	376	Kitchen office	144	Stevens, Laura	369
Brassard, David	252	Lally, Angie	244	Stiffler, Tammy	364
Brown, Erica	378	Lambek, Dominic	266	Student Services	456
Brown, Mike	354	Lawrence, Caleb	258	Sullivan, Jen	385
Bubier, Beth	379	Leavitt, Diane	367	Timmons, Mike	140
Burton, Tianna	292	Lebel, Debra	366	Trainer	316
Butler, Jennie	380	Levinsky, Ken	485	True, Linda	290
Carter, Pam	269	Library	134	<b>Urgent - Office</b>	554
Chamber Singers	275	Lifeskills	322	Veil, Jennifer	284
Clauson, Susan	358	Livengood, Chris	357	Videographer, Ian Clough	294
Clinic	430	Loura, Pam	421	VOTING extension	575
Cobb, Renee	276	Maloney, Julianne	286	Wilson, Holly	281
Custodians	352	Marston, Sue	456	Wirtz, Dan	285
				WRABC (Athletic	
Day Treatment	133	Martin, Wayne	247	Boosters)	248
Denecker, Amy	135	McIntyre, Betty	249	WRPAA (Performing Arts)	246
Dresnok, Katy	363	McLellan, Lisa	251	Zelenka, Barbara	365
Dubay, Kim	422	Meeder, Laurie	262		
Dubois, Melissa	388	Miele, Jon	253		
Dunn, Lorna	390	Millington, Kevin	255		
Emery, Adena	391	Nelson, Natalie	386		
Enkosky, Sarah	381	Nickerson, Rick	259		
Fisher, Kim	423	Niedoroda, Sue	371		
Frick, Jennifer	372	O'Connor, Jim	355		
Gilheany, Misty	395	Pacin Ojen, Eva	250		
Goodness, Rachel	277	Packard, Julie	131		
Grimaldi, Sue	270	Paradis, Carol	361		
Guy, Beth	396	Parmakian, Bob	261		
Hamlen, Aaron	141	Parmakian, Cynthia	356		
Hamlin, Lindsay	268	Payne, C.J.	341		
Hanaburgh, Mike	397	Perkins, Matt	373		
Hanson, Eric	274	Petcher, Karen	387		
Hapenny, Sue	398	Peters, Mary	256		
Harris, Richard	240	PostvanderBerg, Courtney	280		
Hawkes, Claudia	448	Rathbun, Wayne	383		
Hawkes, Sharon	359	Regan, E.J.	296		
Hecker, Pam	146	Riddle, Jeff	264		

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