J.F.K. Eagle E-News

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Week of September 11th, 2026

From the Principal

This week, our hallways were filled with a powerful sight as our students dressed in red, white, and blue. On Patriot Day, as our nation marked the 25th anniversary of September 11, our school community gathered not to focus on sadness, but to embrace the beautiful spirit of unity, solidarity, and kindness that helps communities heal and grow.

Our theme for the day was simple yet profound: helping others. While our elementary students are learning about these historical events in gentle, age-appropriate ways, the core lesson is one they can practice every day—that when hard things happen, people come together to help.

Seeing our students wearing their colors was a vivid reminder of the everyday heroes all around us, from first responders to the classmates who lend a helping hand on the playground. Our students showed us that even the smallest acts of compassion—sharing a smile, helping a friend carry their books, or including someone new at lunch—build a stronger, kinder world.

Thank you for sending your children to school ready to participate, reflect, and care for one another. The empathy they show each day starts at home, and we are so grateful for your partnership in nurturing such thoughtful, big-hearted young citizens. Let's keep this spirit going all year long by looking for new ways to lend a hand to our neighbors and lift each other up.

Next Week Events

Next week, our students will begin taking their beginning-of-th0-year i-Ready Diagnostic assessments to help us set a baseline for the school year and track their amazing growth over the coming months! We encourage every student to simply do their best, showing us where they stand right now so we can guide where they are going and celebrate how far they've come by the end of the year. You can help set your child up for success by ensuring they get a good night's sleep, eat a healthy breakfast, arrive on time, and remember that this is just a stress-free tool to help us support them best. Thank you for your wonderful partnership as we kick off a year full of learning and growth!

Dates To Remember

- **September 28th:** Open House 6:00 p.m. (Community Open House)
- **October 2nd:** Picture Day

Links: Cafeteria Menus Virtual Backpack

Attendance Reporting : Attendance matters

Here are options for reporting your student absent at J.F.K.

Phone Call: (860) 687 -2060

Text: jfkattendance@windsorct.org

Website: JFK website

QR Code:

A Special note about Early Dismissals: Please contact th

WEEKEND WHEELS STUDENT FOOD PROGRAM

This program provides qualifying Windsor children in grades **pre-k thru 12th grade** with a bag filled with food for the weekend. **Distributions are made from Sept. thru June in a weekly home delivery format.**

Eligibility for the program is based on household income. The table below shows a yearly gross income for each family size. If your household income is at or below the income listed for the number of people in your household, you are eligible to receive TEFAP commodities. (300% of poverty).

TEFAP PARTICIPATION INCOME GUIDELINES

BASED ON HOUSEHOLD SIZE FAMILY INCOME FALLS BELOW:

Household Size:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8*
Annual Income:	$47,880	$64,920	$81,960	$99,000	$116,040	$133,080	$150,120	$167,160

For each additional person add $17,040.

Income guidelines reflects 300% of the federal poverty limit, last updated March 1, 2026

TWO WAYS TO REGISTER:

- Call or visit **Windsor Social Services** at 860-285-1839, LP Wilson Community Center to register.
- Contact the **Family Resource Coordinator at your child's school** for sign up.

2026/2027 School year distributions will begin on Thursday, Sept. 10th.

DON'T WAIT! REGISTER TODAY!

Weekend Wheels is a program of the Windsor Food and Fuel Bank

e main office in addition to the teacher if you would like to change how the student will be dismissed on a given day. Teachers could be absent so by notifying the office we can assure your student is in the correct location.

Preview attachment



KIDS' ART CLASSES!

WINDSOR ART CENTER STUDIOS

A new art adventure every month!

Painting, drawing, collage, mixed media projects, and more for ages 6–10 and 11–16 (alternating!)

$20 per student, per class ✦ 35 Central St, Windsor CT

To view the full list of projects and register, visit windsorartcenter.org

JFK COMMUNITY RESOURCE NIGHT JOINS OPEN HOUSE

Come with your student to check out the amazing resources available right in Windsor and our surrounding community!

Join us for Cookies, Community, and Connections

MONDAY

September 28, 2026

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Open House

6:00-7:00 PM

If you would like to join us as a Community Resource please use the link or QR code

Contact: Beth Abbot
FRC Coordinator
eabbot@windsorct.org



John F. Kennedy School

PTO MEETING

Ice Cream Social

SEPTEMBER 14 | 6:00 PM

JFK families come join us for a sweet treat in the JFK courtyard!

See how the PTO supports the students and school. Learn more about plans for the coming year and how you can get involved.

We hope to see you there!

Students must be accompanied by an adult

PROJECT SANTA

Holiday Gift Assistance Program for Windsor Families

REGISTRATION OPEN – MONTH OF SEPTEMBER ONLY

Dear Windsor Parent or Guardian,

Windsor Social Services is here to help make the holiday season joyful for your children. Qualifying families with children **ages 15 and under** can register for holiday gift assistance.

REGISTRATION HOURS

Month of September Only
Monday – Friday | 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

LOCATION

Windsor Social Services
LP Wilson Community Center, 599 Matianuck Ave

1. HOUSEHOLD ANNUAL INCOME LIMITS

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+
Max Income	$47,880	$64,920	$81,960	$99,000	$116,040	$133,080	$150,120	$167,160

2. REQUIRED REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS

- ✔ **Parent/Guardian Photo ID** (person registering).
- ✔ **Proof of Residency:** Recent utility bill mailed to your home address.
- ✔ **Child ID:** Social Security Card OR Birth Certificate for each child (15 & under).
- ✔ **Child Info:** Full name and birthdate for each child.
- ✔ **Proof of Income (Last 30 Days):** Pay stubs, child support, unemployment, or SSD.

⚠ **REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE TAKEN UNLESS ALL DOCUMENTS ARE PROVIDED.**

What Happens Next?

Upon approval, you'll receive a **Project Santa Family Packet**. Return the included Wish List by the deadline listed in your packet so donors can fulfill your requests!

Questions? Contact Windsor Social Services at **860-285-1839**

We look forward to helping make your family's holiday season special!

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