J.F.K. Eagle E-News

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Week of May 1st, 2026

Message from the Principal

It is a season of gratitude and celebration here at JFK Elementary! We recently bid a bittersweet farewell to our wonderful custodian, Mr. Kent, who has retired after 21 years of incredible, dedicated service to Windsor Public Schools; his hard work and kind spirit have left an indelible mark on our hallways. We are also beaming with pride for the amazing Ms. Lamoureux, who has been named our JFK Teacher of the Year for 2025-2026—a well-deserved honor for an educator who gives so much to her students. Finally, I want to share my deepest thanks for the overwhelming kindness shown to me today, May 1st, for National School Principal's Day. The students, staff, and PTO made me feel truly appreciated and loved. Thank you to this entire community for making JFK such a special place to work and grow!

5th Grade Update

In math, students have been exploring concepts in volume, measurement, and geometry. Instruction has been tailored across classrooms using different platforms: Ms. Everett is utilizing I-Ready, Ms. Carpenter is teaching through Envisions, and Mrs. Garcia is incorporating Amplify Desmos to support student learning.

In science, we have launched our new unit on Golden Jellies. Students began by generating questions and making predictions about this fascinating species. Our central driving question for the unit is: *What do organisms need to survive and thrive?*

In humanities, we have completed our third novel of the year. Although it was not a new text, the depth of discussion and focus on vocabulary helped students develop a much stronger understanding. We are now beginning a short series on physics before ending the year with a unit on demonstrating courage.

Dates To Remember: *Important dates for parents/guardians*

May 4th	Strings Concert at WHS 6:30-7:30pm
May 5th	Early Release- ½ day
May 11th	JFK Art Show 6-7:30pm

Links : Cafeteria Menus Virtual Backpack

Attendance Reporting : Attendance matters

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

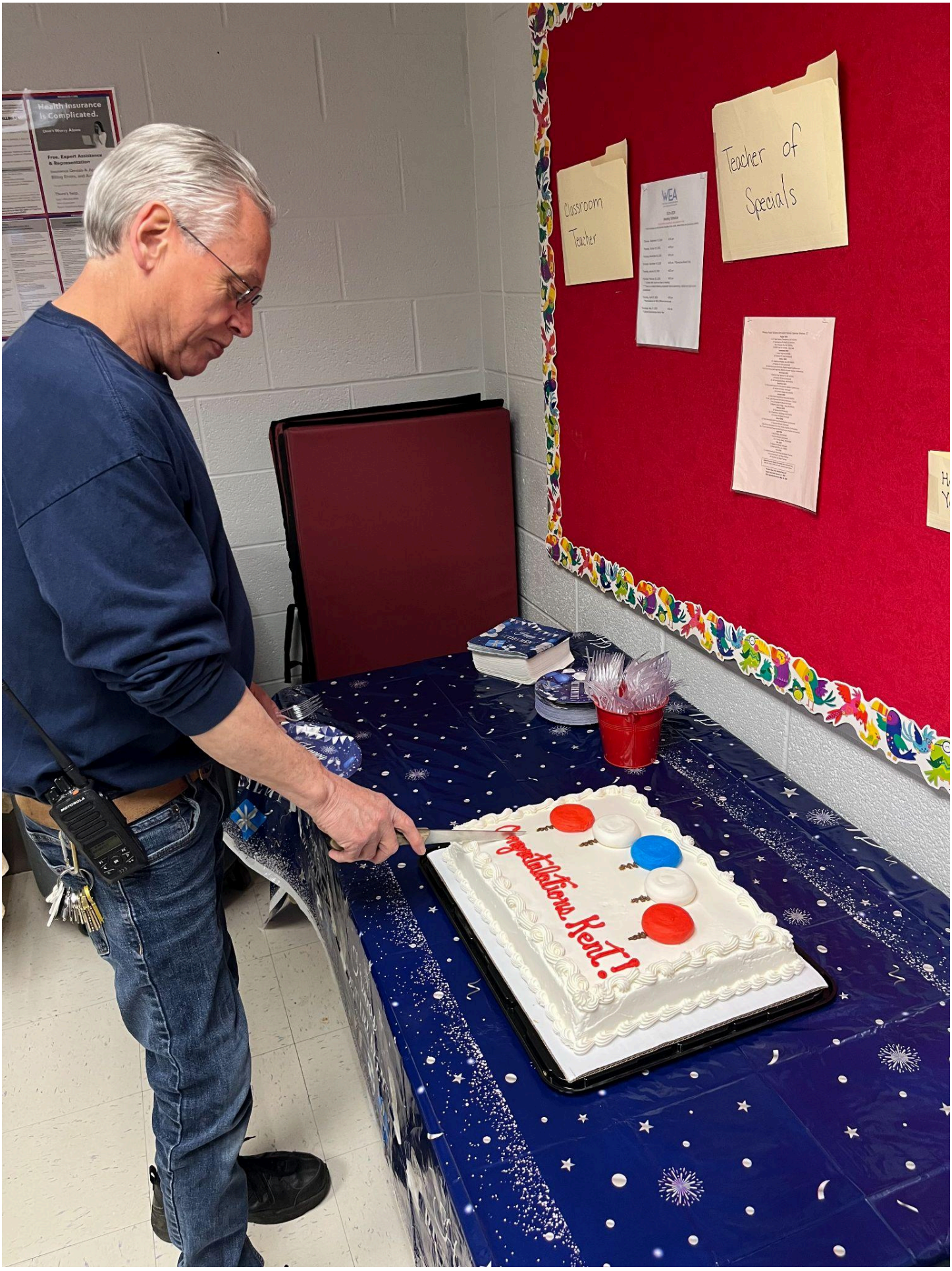
Phone Call: (860) 687 -2060

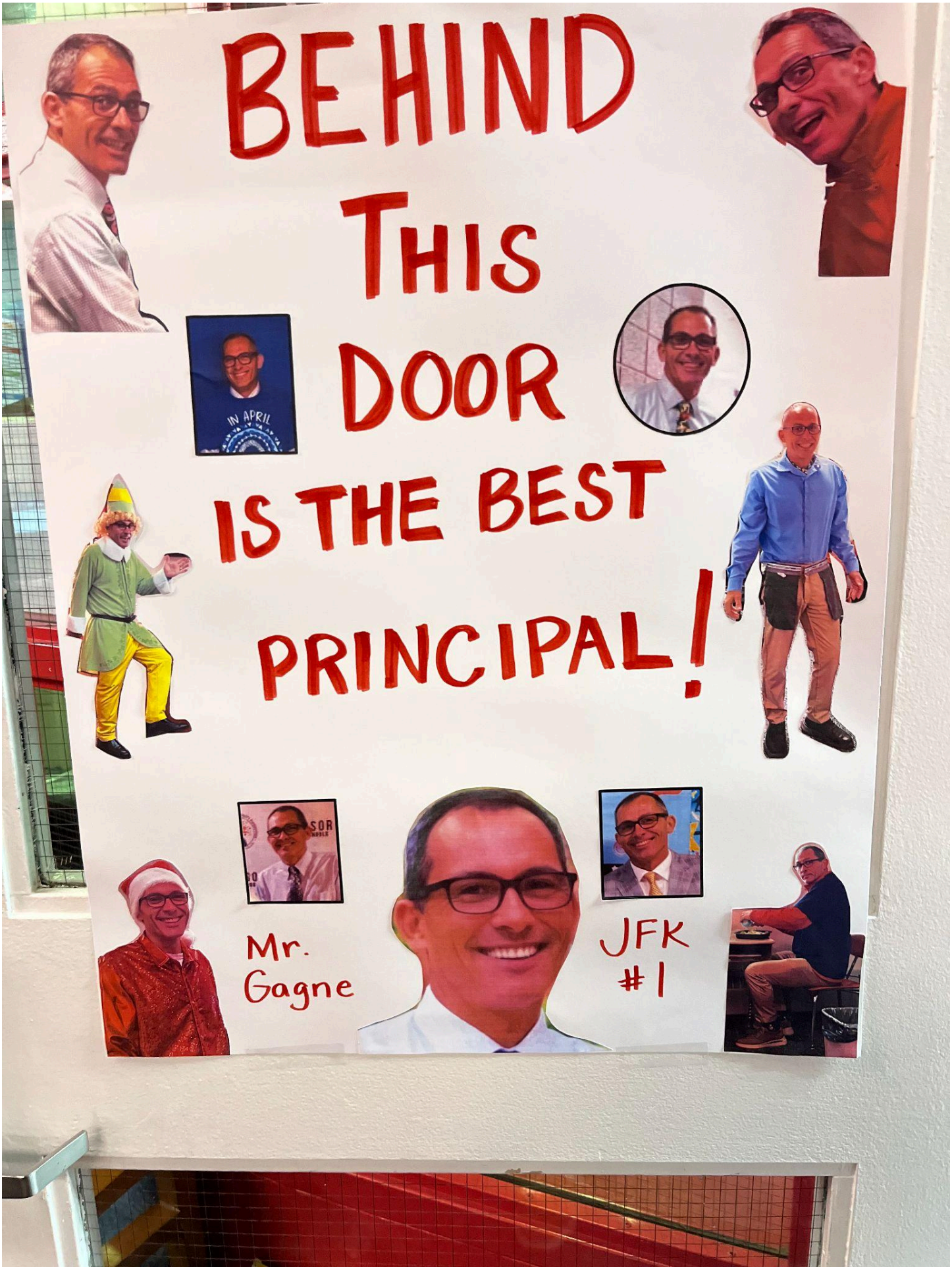
Text: jfkattendance@windsorct.org

Website: JFK website

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A Special note about Early Dismissals: Please contact the 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.


Health Insurance Is Complicated.
Don't Worry Alone
Free, Expert Assistance & Representation
Classroom Teacher
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Teacher of Specials
MOTOROLA
Congratulations Ken!


BEHIND
THIS
DOOR
IS THE BEST
PRINCIPAL!
IN APRIL
Mr.
Gagne
JFK
#1


Mrs. Mitchell
"Our school would be
'crumb-y'
without you!"
Mr. Gagne
Madison
Janan
Kyle
Ethan
Dean
Cameron
Ben
Mrs. Mitchell
Phoebe
Aivar
Xymere
Mason
Liam E
Liam M
Wyatt
Aydin
Clara
Carson
Taylor
Maliyah


LINE
SHAPE
COLOR
VALUE
TEXTURE
SPACE
FORM
MOVEMENT
UNITY
VARIETY
Be ARTrageous!
Check Out All These Amazing Artists!
Congratulations 2026
JFK Teacher of the Year
Emily Lamoureux !!
GAP


MR. KENT


9 05 - 9 50
10 00 - 10 45
10 55 - 11 40
11 50 - 12 35
1 20 - 2 05

THE SHAD DERBY PARADE

Saturday May 16, 2026

Please arrive at 10:30
at the Windsor High School Parking Lot

Parade begins at 11:30 am
Parade route is about 1.7 miles
and will end when it reaches the center of town.

Let's show our school spirit
Please wear a JFK T-shirt (or anything red)

Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

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Celebrate the Future
"One Night, One Class, One Goal"
2026 Project Graduation Fundraising!
$7,500
Support Food, Decorations & Prizes
Delicious Food
Delicious food to fuel the night for the graduates!
Magical Decorations
to celebrate the night in style, providing a safe and exciting space to hang out all night long!
Amazing Prizes
to celebrate the accomplishments and gifts to prepare for college life!
Windsor High Project Graduation 2026
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John F. Kennedy School
Windsor, Connecticut
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HOW MANY PEOPLE CAN WE FEED?
MAY 1 - MAY 15
GRADES 3, 4, AND 5 EACH HAVE A DINNER PLATE TRACKER
EVERY DONATION HELPS FILL YOUR GRADE'S PLATE WITH
MEALS FOR FAMILIES IN NEED.
WHICH GRADE WILL FILL THEIR PLATE THE MOST AND WIN?
Kiwanis
K-Kids
Young Leaders Helping Others

Join us for the

JFK ART SHOW

Monday May 11th 2026
6:00-7:30pm

Every JFK student will have multiple pieces of art on display! Join us for amazing artwork, interactive art displays, art making activities, and more! We can't wait to see you there!



Email any questions to elloyd@windsorct.org

GREATER HARTFORD GIVES FOUNDATION | Windsor Community Fund

OPEN Recruitment

Are you interested in helping guide grant awards to nonprofits strengthening Windsor?

Join Our Team!



We Need Your Help!

- Meetings are 1st Tues of the month
- Research the needs of your Windsor Community
- Evaluate Grant Applicants and work with a team to award funds to recipients serving Windsor's needs

Requirements...

- Team Spirit
- Community passion
- Windsor resident, 14 yrs or older

**click on the QR code for additional requirements*

USE THE QR CODE TO LEARN MORE AND APPLY

Website:

rhttps://greaterhartfordgives.org/community-funds/greater-hartford-gives-windsor-community-fund/

Kiwanis
K-Kids
Young Leaders Helping Others

SPRING CLEAN UP

FRIDAY,
APRIL 24, 2026

7:30 AM



Weather permitting, we will be outside

PLEASE SIGN UP HERE

WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

John F. Kennedy School
530 Park Avenue • Windsor, CT 06095

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We strive to make your visit to our schools both pleasant and productive. Family engagement is essential to student success, and we encourage you to connect with the staff who support your child. Whether you are observing a classroom or volunteering through prior arrangements with the Family Resource Center (FRC) or a teacher, we appreciate your partnership.

To ensure student safety, protect instructional time, and accommodate all families, please follow these guidelines:

Scheduling Your Visit

- Volunteering must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance through your child's teacher or the FRC.
- Classroom observations must be scheduled with administration
    - Observations are limited to 20 minutes to minimize disruption
    - Only one parent/guardian may observe at a time due to space limitations. Please arrange care for younger children; the FRC can assist if needed.

Arrival and Safety

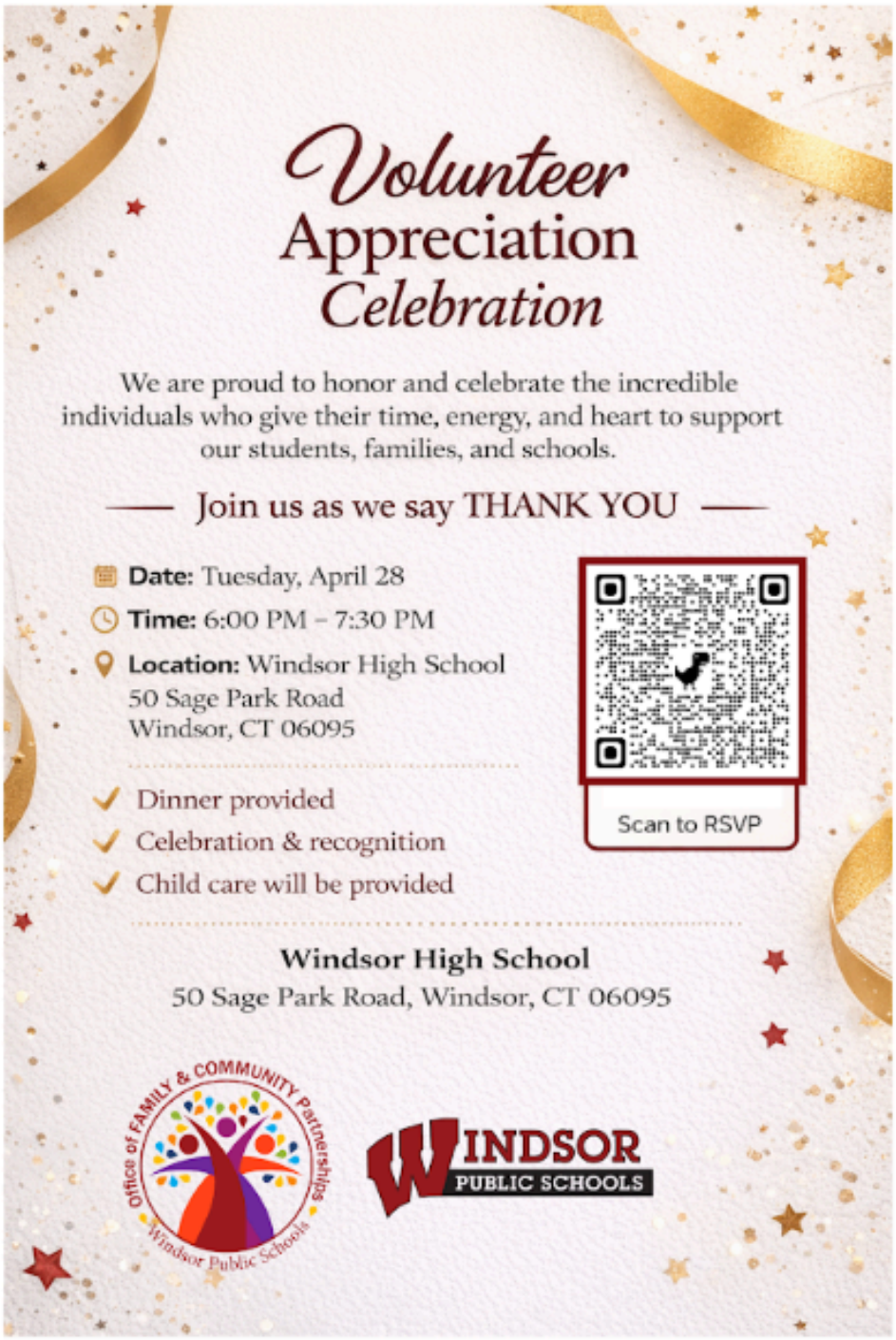
- All visitors must sign in and sign out at the front lobby with a valid ID, be processed through the Raptor System, and wear a visitor badge/sticker at all times.
- **Parents/guardians are expected to drop off their child outside, not inside. If students are brought after 8:45 the doors will be closed and they will need to be signed in at security and will be marked tardy.**
- Visitors will be escorted to and from their destination.

Classroom Expectations

- Recording (audio or video) is not permitted.
- Respect student confidentiality—do not discuss other students outside the classroom.
- For questions or feedback, please schedule a separate time with the teacher.

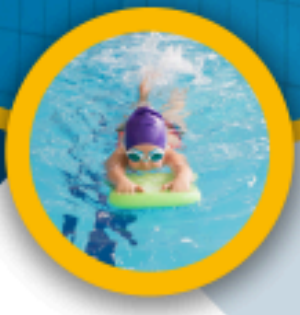
Please note that the principal may reschedule or decline visits if they would disrupt the learning environment.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and focused school environment. We look forward to partnering with you!


Volunteer
Appreciation
Celebration
We are proud to honor and celebrate the incredible individuals who give their time, energy, and heart to support our students, families, and schools.
Join us as we say THANK YOU
Date: Tuesday, April 28
Time: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM
Location: Windsor High School
50 Sage Park Road
Windsor, CT 06095
Dinner provided
Celebration & recognition
Child care will be provided
Scan to RSVP
Windsor High School
50 Sage Park Road, Windsor, CT 06095
Office of Family & Community Partnerships
Windsor Public Schools
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READY TO DIVE INTO SUMMER?







- CAN YOU SWIM 2 LAPS OF FREESTYLE AND BACKSTROKE?
- ARE YOU FOCUSED AND DETERMINED?
- DO YOU LOVE BEING A PART OF A TEAM?

SCAN FOR
TRY-OUT INFO

JOIN THE WWRX SWIM TEAM

WINDSOR WATER RATS EXPRESS COMPETITIVE SWIM TEAM

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YEARBOOK 2025 - 2026

Don't miss out on the memories!

Our yearbook ***captures this school year with picture day photos, events, and all the moments in between***

ORDER DEADLINE APRIL 17





$15 EACH
PLACE YOUR ORDER TODAY!

Click here to order!

PARENTS & TEACHERS PLEASE SHARE YOUR

PHOTOS FOR THE YEARBOOK!

We are in search of photos to include in the yearbook. From recess, field trips, the dance, school clubs, APEX fun run, assemblies, spirit week or students just having fun with their classmates!



Scan the QR code or visit:
photos.jostens.com/JND7CE

Let's Talk!

PARENT SUPPORT

Partnering for Student Success

JFK is starting a parent support group for families navigating behavioral, emotional or sensory challenges. This is supportive judgment-free space to learn practical strategies, share experiences, and connect with other caregivers. Sign up for one, or sign up for them all!



FEB 23, 2026

MARCH 23

APRIL 27

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

JFK Room 13

Please RSVP here

https://forms.gle/LWAqeLDURg73b9SM8

ALL Families are welcome!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE EMAIL EABBOT@WINDSORCT.ORG

JFK FOOD CLOSET

ALL DONATIONS HELP FAMILIES IN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

Families are welcomed to drop off food supplies or to take food items as needed during school hours

We're collecting food to stock our Family Resource Center Food Closet.

PLEASE BRING NONPERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS SUCH AS

- Canned vegetables, beans & soup
- Rice, pasta & cereal
- Shelf-stable milk & baby formula
- Peanut butter & canned protein
- Snacks
- Toiletries
- Feminine Products



PLEASE CONTACT
eabbot@windsorct.org

DROP OFF LOCATION:
JFK
Family Resource Center

JFK SCHOOL STORE

2025-26

October 24

November 14

December 19

January 23

February 20

March 13

April 24

May 22

JFK School Store Needs You

The JFK school store allows students to “shop” and spend their hard earned Dojo points on fun toys, books, or games.

We are in need of parent volunteers to help out on Fridays when the school store is open.
No experience necessary!

Come have fun!

If you can help out
please sign up through the link below.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4EABAF2EA5FDC43-59114567-jfkschool

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Parenting Adolescents Toward Healthier Ways (PATHWays)



School avoidance is a complex issue that involves the child who struggles with attendance, parents, and school systems.

The Anxiety Disorders Center is researching a treatment program that will focus on assisting parents in addressing the problem of school avoidance. This research will examine the use of a daily parent diary during treatment to track time in school, sleeping, using screens, and engaged in physical activity.

The PATHWays program aims to help parents:

- Understand how accommodations for anxiety may contribute to school avoidance.
- Learn ways to reduce accommodations.
- Create rules/structure around sleep, screen time, and activity.

Parents/guardians of students (ages 12-18, grades 6 -12) who are struggling with school attendance may be eligible for this research program.

If you know a family that would be interested in our program or would like more information about our program, please contact the Anxiety Disorders Center at (860) 545-7707.

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