



Winslow Township High School Newsletter

Sept/Oct 2025

Suicide Prevention Month

September was Suicide Prevention & Awareness Month. However, here are some vital life-saving tips which may be used throughout the year:

Key Messages of SOS (Signs of Suicide): ACT

- Acknowledge that you are seeing signs of depression or suicide in yourself or a friend and that it is serious.
- Let your friend know how much you care about them and that you are concerned that they need help.
- Tell a trusted adult that you are worried about yourself or a friend.
- If you think you know someone who is suicidal, follow your instincts and reach out for help.

Important Hotlines and Helplines:

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

988 - is the new three-digit dialing code that will route callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

NJ Hopeline

1-855-654-6735

2nd Floor Youth Helpline

1-888-222-2228 - This is a youth helpline serving all youth and young adults in New Jersey. Youth who call are assisted with their daily life challenges by professional staff and trained volunteers. Anonymity and confidentiality are assured except in life-threatening situations.

2025-26 School Year

WTHS has had a successful start to the 2025-26 school year. Preparations over the summer resulted in a smooth first day and month of school. Students were introduced to new teachers, clubs, student leaders, advisors, and hall monitors on the very first day of school. Additionally, the new electronic device policy was reiterated, and parents are encouraged to visit the link for any clarifications or resources to ensure student success:

<https://highschool-winslow-schools.entest.org/Handbook%20WTHS%202025%202026%20Updated%209-3-2025.pdf>

Learning Express

Attention all parents and students: The Camden County Library System offers free access to [Learning Express](#) via the NJ State Library.

Learning Express offers the following and more:

- Career Preparation
- Job & Career Accelerator - provides powerful tools and guidance to achieve career goals
- College Admissions Test Prep - Offers tutorials and practice tests for exams like the ACT, PSAT, SAT, AP, and more. In addition, students can take advantage of eBooks related to improving their college admission essay writing skills.
- High School Students' Skill-Building Resources - Skill-building resources for classroom and homework success.
- Computer Skills Center - Video courses to learn popular software and computer basics.
- Resources for Spanish Speakers - Tools for learning, careers, and citizenship

For assistance, please reach out to Emily Reilly at reillyem@winslow-schools.com

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Soaring with Winslow

COLLEGE READINESS NIGHT

WTHS Guidance department presents College Readiness Night in the Sarah Gordy Auditorium from 6-8:00 pm on October 28th. Tricia Mayers, a representative from the New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (HESAA), will be speaking about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Please note that completion of the FAFSA or authorized waiver is a graduation requirement for the Class of 2026. File the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov or visit the guidance department for a waiver. The counselors would also like to invite all students and parents to access the google classroom and avail themselves of all the resources and opportunities. Age and grade-level appropriate announcements, including college visits and scholarship information, are updated regularly. Additionally, please see the link below for the HESAA Student Loan Guide: Please see the HESAA Student Loan Guide link: https://www.hesaa.org/Documents/Student_Loan



SPIRIT WEEK

The Winslow Township High School Spirit Week is being held from October 14th through October 17th. The student senate has been meeting since August to plan this year's Spirit Week. The homecoming dance will be held on Thursday, and the Pep Rally will take place on Friday, October 17th, in anticipation of the homecoming game that night. Pep Rally events include the classic musical chairs, dance competition, drag-your-partner, and Winslow Township's favorite- Tug of War. Here are the highlights:

- **Tuesday DRESS TO IMPRESS!** - Wear business or business casual attire.
- **Wednesday FASHION THROUGH THE DECADES!**
 - Class of 2026 - 2000s
 - Class of 2027 - 1990s
 - Class of 2028 - 1980s
 - Class of 2029 - 1970s
- **Thursday-MUSIC DAY!**
 - Class of 2026 - Country Music
 - Class of 2027 - Rhythm & Blues
 - Class of 2028 - Rap Music
 - Class of 2029 - Punk/ Rave Music
- **Friday is Color Wars Day** - Support a class by wearing its class color or shirt.
 - Class of 2026 - Black shirts
 - Class of 2027 - White shirts
 - Class of 2028 - Blue shirts
 - Class of 2029 - Purple shirts

SGA has also included goodwill and charity into this year's Spirit Week by instituting a points system for donated canned and non-perishable goods from the student body. Spirit Week points will be awarded to the class that brings in the most goods for this altruistic venture.

WINSLOW CTSO

Once again, The Graphic Design & Photo CTSO (Career & Technology Student Organization) is open for business. As part of the CTE requirements, this group has been created as an opportunity for students to discover, learn, and participate in "career-like" activities. The team meets once a week after school. The key goal is to have the students support other groups in the building and in the community. Students in these programs are available to design any type of Graphic Design (poster, t-shirt, brochure, flyer, etc.) or provide photography services as needed for any school/community related organizations on campus. For details or requests for services, please contact Mrs. Gwen Del Buono, Computer Arts/Technology Teacher, at delbuonogw@winslow-schools.com

WINSLOW TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

Need a logo, poster or T-shirt designed for your club?
How about a student to photograph a certain school event?

Let the **GRAPHIC DESIGN & PHOTO CTSO** (career & technical student organization) work for you...

Contact delbuonogw@winslow-schools.com





Congratulations to Coach Custis for being selected as the 2024-2025 winter indoor track New Jersey Coach of the Year by NJSIAA!



Congratulations to Winslow Township High School's TV Production Program for being recognized as a Celebrated Career and Technical Education Program by the NJDOE. See the link below for the full write-up:

<https://www.nj.gov/education/cte/resources/celebrate/2025highlights.shtml>

Congratulations also to Coach Bill Belton for being selected as Eagles Coach of the Week! The complete article with an interview may be accessed below: <https://www.philadelphiaeagles.com/news/eagles-coach-of-the-week-bill-belton-winslow-township-high-school>



A Day at Winslow High School

Fall Career Conversation



Eagles Landing would like to invite students to save October 31st as the date for the Annual Fall Career Conversation. As such, representatives from various trades will meet with students to provide information for coursework, scope for practical training, and eventual job opportunities in a small group session. Early registration is advised as slots are limited for each trade info session. Please see the flyer below for further details.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yErfpw18nKMjbi1TU00puke2MdnCINQo/view?usp=sharing>

Real Care Parenting



Mrs. Gary, Early Childhood Program Director, is proud to announce that the Real Care Parenting Program is underway! The goal of this venture is to increase participants' awareness about issues related to the responsibilities of caring for an infant. Also, students have the chance to explore the physical, emotional, social, and financial consequences of parenthood. Students in the program are charged with the responsibility of taking care of an infant simulator which mimics all the needs of a real-life baby. As such, it cries, needs to be burped, rocked, diaper changed and fed. The simulation babies are also programmed to cry vigorously if handled roughly or held incorrectly. The entire student body and staff stay involved by providing feedback to the program director. Unattended, improperly held or constantly crying babies generate negative feedback while the thriving ones earn plaudits and grades for their caretakers. Happy parenting to the students in the program!

Leo Club

Leo Clubs, in partnership with The American Red Cross Blood Drive, invite all eligible participants to give the gift of life. All donations not only save lives but help our students earn Red Cross college scholarships! Thank you for your help!

- **Where:** Bud Duble Senior Center
- **When:** Wednesday, October 20th from 12-5pm

SUNSHINE CLUB

WTHS's Sunshine Club, spearheaded by beloved P.E. The teacher, Mrs. Debbie Garland, has been re-instituted. The goal of this committee is to spread a little sunshine to teachers and other school staff members regularly with creative ways to make work more enjoyable, supportive, and fun for everyone. As such, teachers with September and October birthdays were greeted via morning and afternoon announcements, which trickled down to students and staff extending hallway greetings personally. It served as a nice icebreaker to the beginning of the year, as well as creating a feeling of connectedness. Staff birthdays in September included Mrs. Young, Mrs. Jenifer, Mrs. Wise and Ms. Hanford. October celebrants are Mrs. Feighery, Mr. Williams, Mr. Smolark and Mrs. Mack. Also, the WTHS Sunshine Club would like to congratulate Mr. Minder and family on the birth of their new baby.



Blood Drive

**Winslow Township High School
Winslow Township Edward Bud
Duble Senior Citizen Center**

Meeting Room
33 Cooper Folly Road
Atco, NJ 08004

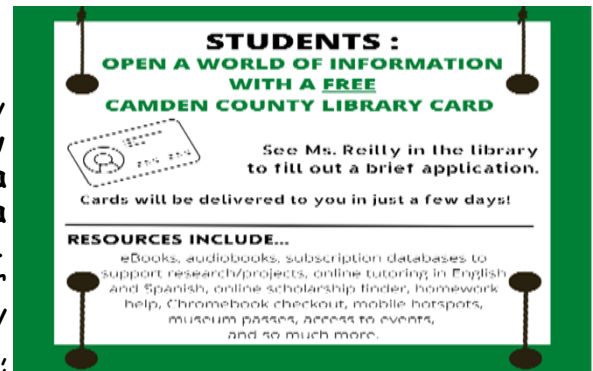
**Monday, October 20, 2025
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



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Library Card

Ms. Emily McBride, WTHS's School Library Media Specialist, would like to invite all Winslow Township High School students to apply for a Camden County Library Card by filling out a quick application in the high school library. Within a day or two, students will receive their cards and have access to all of Camden County Library's content: books, eBooks, audiobooks, subscription databases to support research/projects, online tutoring in English and Spanish, homework help, museum passes, online book clubs, and so much more. Regardless of residence, faculty and staff are also eligible for the same.



Also, the WTHS Book Club is now in session.



Recycling Reset



Recycling mindset reset is in progress: In partnership with Winslow Township Waste Management Department, WTHS is establishing a new protocol for recycling on school grounds. The common goal is to limit contaminants in recyclable containers. As such, custodians are being re-trained, and linings are eliminated from trashcans meant for recyclables. Also, teachers have been advised to promote contaminant-free recycling in classrooms by teaching and adhering to the following guidelines; acceptable recyclable items include paper, cardboard, plastics, and aluminum/metal cans that have been rinsed or at least empty. Below is the easy, poster guide for all staff and students.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nERakg9d8gVsi1zV-5DrRMoeoZdxsy14/view?usp=drive_link