

Good Morning HCS Families –

A big Thank you to our PTO who hosted the holiday shop. Everyone had a great time shopping for their loved ones. There will be a make-up day on Monday, December 20th for any students that missed it.

Our HCS students are amazing! They are doing a fantastic job staying focused on school. The next four days promise to be full of excitement as everyone is anticipating the upcoming holidays and break from school. Families, teachers & staff thank you for all that you do to support learning! **Remember December 23rd students dismiss at 1:00pm!**

Families, please remember that if your child is a close contact to a person who tests positive for COVID 19, they are required to fully quarantine and are therefore not able to attend school. The state 'Screen & Stay' protocol only applies to COVID exposures that occur during the regular school day, it does not apply to activities outside of the school day, including before and after school care. If you are in doubt of whether your child is able to attend school due to a COVID exposure, please call Kristen Sullivan.

It is very helpful when students have extras masks. Please put an extra mask in your child's backpack.

Did you know you can follow our HCS PTO Facebook page? <https://www.facebook.com/HCSPTO/>

Treasure the time you have with family and have a restful break. On behalf of the staff at Harwinton Consolidated School, we wish all of you health and happiness this holiday season and in the new year to come!

Enjoy the rest of your weekend!

Bob

Messages from our PTO:

The Husky Hustle is one of the most attended events it is truly one of the most memorable. This fundraiser is instrumental in raising the funds needed for many special school events and field trips. Because this event is so popular, it does require lots of willing volunteers to help make it happen! We are looking for 10 volunteers to step up and join the planning committee. The committee will meet several times over the next few months. This is a great way to get involved and help orchestrate a loved event here at HCS. Please consider signing up and be ready for some fun!

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2669834456219300112/false?popup=true#/invitation>

Monday- December 20th - Holiday Shop make up day, Wear White

Wednesday, December 22-Ugly Sweater Day

Thursday, December 23 - 1:00 pm dismissal for students

December 24-31 - Winter break

Monday, January 3 - First day back from break

Friday, January 14 - 1:00 pm dismissal for students, teacher professional development

Monday, January 17 - No School, MLK Day

COVID ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

Friendly reminder if your child is going to be absent or tardy, please call our school nurse to report the absence/tardy.

(860) 485-9029 ext. **12103**

We appreciate everyone's adherence to the guidelines below. It is essential that students do not come to school if:

They have had close contact (at least 15 minutes, within 6 feet) with a person that has tested positive for COVID-19 and are quarantining for the required number of days

They, or a member of your household, has been tested for COVID-19 because of symptoms and/or potential exposure and you are awaiting results

You screen them in the morning before school and they have any of the symptoms below:

- fever of 100.4 or higher
- chills
- a new uncontrolled cough
- difficulty breathing
- a sudden loss of taste or smell

If your family has traveled, we recommend testing upon returning. Please be vigilant and check for any symptoms daily for 14 days after travel. Even mild symptoms can be the first sign of COVID. If the traveler, family member or student, develops any symptoms, keep all family members home from school until the traveler has been tested.

In all cases, we ask that you always err on the side of caution. If your child has any signs of illness, please keep them home and contact our school nurse, Kristen Sullivan, sullivank@region10ct.org or by phone at (860) 485-9029 ext. 12103

Flyers:

ONE-DAY FUN DAY

@ White Memorial Conservation Center



LITCHFIELD, CT

- **Get outside!**
- **Learn about nature in winter**



- **Play games**
- **Make crafts**
- **Meet live animals**

Grades 1-3: Thursday, Dec. 30
Grades 4-6: Friday, Dec. 31
9:30am - 3:30pm

WMCC Members: \$40, Non-Members: \$70



Advanced registration is required. Visit whitememorialcc.org or call 860-567-0857. While subject to change, this program is scheduled to run **IN-PERSON**. Masks are required indoors and when we are not socially-distanced outdoors. Bring a lunch and appropriate clothing for the weather. We try to go outside no matter what!

This activity is sponsored by White Memorial Conservation Center, a registered nonprofit organization. It is not sponsored or endorsed in any way by the Board of Education for Regional School District #10. White Memorial retains sole legal responsibility for the conduct and safety of this activity.

