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2023

WINDSOR LOCKS HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING COMMENTARIES



**Windsor Locks High School
Counseling Staff Members**

IMPORTANT EVENTS AND DATES

- * May 1 - 18th – Advanced Placement Exams
- * May 12th - Junior/Senior Prom – 5:30 – 9:30pm
- * May 15th – STEP UP DAY for 8th Gr.
- * Week of May 22nd – NGSS Testing for Gr. 11
- * May 29th – Memorial Day/No School
- * June 1st – Dollars for Scholars Awards Evening – 6pm
- * June 2nd – Senior Outing and Junior Book Awards

Important Events in the School Counseling Department

**May 1 - May 18 – students in Grade 10, 11, and 12 will be taking
Advanced Placement testing at Windsor Locks High School**

Deciding to take an AP course lets colleges and universities know that you have what it takes to succeed in an undergraduate environment. When admissions officers see “AP” on your transcript, they know that what you experienced in a particular class has prepared you well for the challenges of college. Taking AP is a sign that you are up for the most rigorous classes your high school has to offer.

By taking an AP course and scoring successfully on the related AP Exam, you can save on college expenses: most colleges and universities nationwide offer college credit, advanced placement, or both, for qualifying AP Exam scores. These credits can allow students to save college tuition, study abroad, or secure a second major. AP can transform what once seemed unattainable into something within reach. (<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/exploreap/the-rewards>)

The exam schedule is as follows:

- May 1st – Chemistry – 12pm**
- May 2nd - Environment Science - 8am, Psychology – 12pm**
- May 3rd – English Literature & Composition - 8am**
- May 4th – Seminar – 12pm**
- May 5th – US History – 8am**
- May 8th – Calculus AB & BC – 8am**
- May 10th – Spanish – 8am**
- May 11th – Physics - 12pm**
- May 12th – Music Theory – 8am**
- May 17th – Statistics – 8am**
- May 18th – Biology – 12pm**

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Important Information for all Students

As we approach the end of the school year and final assignments/assessments, if you are struggling with a particular course make sure to touch base with your teacher, school counselor, peers and parents who can assist you. Make plans to sign up for Flex Sessions, form study groups and ask for counseling assistance if you are feeling anxious and overwhelmed.

In order to go onto the next grade level you **MUST** have the following:

6 credits to be Gr. 10
12 credits to be Gr. 11
18 credits to be Gr. 12
25 credits to GRADUATE

If anyone is under this credit status, you will remain under the current grade level you are at and may very well need to repeat the courses failed. Please see your counselor to see if you are eligible to take summer school at Enfield HS.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU!

IMPORTANT EVENTS CONTINUED



The Early College Experience program, run through the University of Connecticut, is an opportunity for students to take UConn courses while still in high school. Windsor Locks High School offers UConn ECE English 1007 which is listed as AP Literature & Composition/UConn ECE and UConn ECE Biology 1107 which is listed as AP/UConn ECE Biology in our Program of Studies. It is open to recommended students in their sophomore and senior years for the 2023-2024 school year. These courses are taught by our own Windsor Locks High School teachers who have been certified as adjunct faculty of the University of Connecticut. UConn Early College Experience (ECE) is a concurrent enrollment program that allows motivated high school students to take UConn courses at their high schools for both high school and college credit. Every course taken through UConn ECE is equivalent to the same course at the University of Connecticut. Students are expected to maintain a "C" average and pass a university assessment to receive college credit.

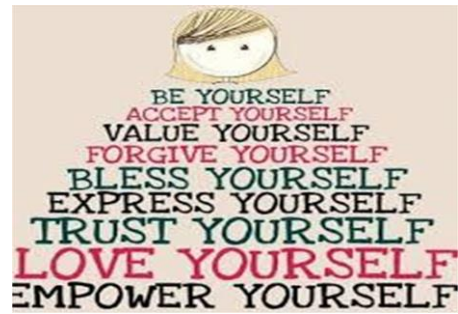
Mrs. Ramirez, School Counseling Director will meet with students recommended for this course to give out information to register as a UConn student.

UConn/ECE REGISTRATION – OPENS on August 28, 2023 and ENDS on October 6, 2023



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Attention Seniors:

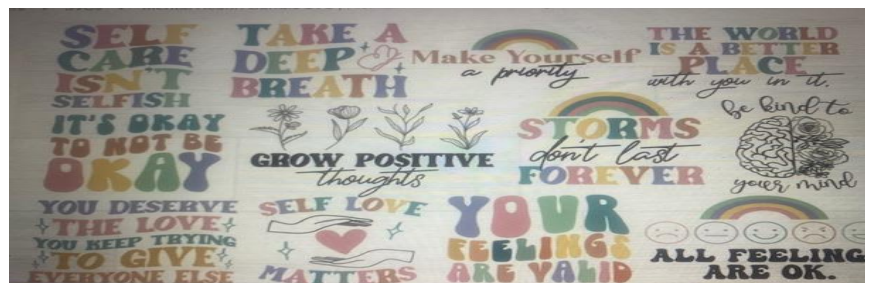
** Just a reminder that if you received a letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, employer, family friend that you should show your appreciation by sending a personal thank you note to the individual who wrote on your behalf.

** Additionally, if you have committed to a college/university, please make sure to withdraw your other applications from other schools to which you applied and make sure to send a thank you for your acceptance into their institution.

** Please be mindful of senioritis! Now is the time that it creeps in and can distract from finishing the year strongly. College/Universities do not tolerate poor end of the year grades and it could jeopardize acceptance.



MENTAL HEALTH
Awareness Month



10 Things You Can Do To Help Your Mental Health

1. Value Yourself
2. Take Care of Your Body
3. Surround Yourself With Positive People
4. Volunteer To Help Others In Need
5. Use Mental Health [Strategies](#)
6. Journal
7. Don't Be Afraid To Ask For Help

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“You, yourself, as much as anybody in the entire universe, deserve your love and affection”

Buddha

