

## TEWKSBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

139 Pleasant Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876

Notice of Meeting - Public Session

**DATE:** Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 5:30 PM

**MEETING(s):** Tewksbury School Committee  
Regular School Committee Meeting #3

**LOCATION:** Tewksbury Memorial High School - Large Group Instruction Room (LGI-1)  
320 Pleasant Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876

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### AGENDA - Regular School Committee Meeting - 5:30 PM

#### Revised

1. **Call To Order**
2. **Executive Session** - Non-Public Session - 5:30 p.m.
  - Approval of August 14, 2024 Executive Session Minutes
  - Collective Bargaining Pertaining to TTA (Teachers); ESP (Aides); Custodians; Secretaries; TAG (Tewksbury Administrator Group); Nurses; and Food Services Bargaining UnitsThe School Committee will reconvene in open session after the Executive Session.
3. **Adjourn into Public Session** - 6:30 PM
4. **Pledge Allegiance**
5. **Moment of Silence**
6. **Announcement\***
7. **Recognitions**
  - Tewksbury Police Department  
Katrina Valeri, School Resource Officer
  - Precision HR Solutions  
Jennifer McNeal, Aide
8. **Student Council Representative Report**  
Rania Elouahi - TMHS Student Council Representative Report on TMHS News & Events
9. **Presentations**  
None
10. **Citizens Forum\***

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Bridget Garabedian, Chair [bgarabedian@tewksbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:bgarabedian@tewksbury.k12.ma.us) ~ Richard Russo, Jr., Vice-Chair [russo@tewksbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:russo@tewksbury.k12.ma.us)  
Chris Moncada, Clerk [cmoncada@tewksbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:cmoncada@tewksbury.k12.ma.us) ~ Kaitlyn Anderson, Member [kmanderson@tewksbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:kmanderson@tewksbury.k12.ma.us)  
Kayla Biagioni-Smith, Member [kbiagioni-smith@tewksbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:kbiagioni-smith@tewksbury.k12.ma.us)  
Superintendent of Schools - Brenda Theriault-Regan [bregan@tewksbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:bregan@tewksbury.k12.ma.us)

**11. Approval Of Minutes - Vote**

- a. August 14, 2024 School Committee/Administrator Retreat-Workshop
- b. August 14, 2024 Regular Business Meeting
- c. September 5, 2024 School Committee Negotiations Subcommittee (TTA & ESPA -Aides)

**12. Submission And Payment Of Bills - Vote**

Payroll Period Ending August 15, 2024, \$1,456,969.87  
Payroll Period Ending August 29, 2024, \$1,287,725.08  
Payroll Period Ending September 12, 2024, \$1,535,281.09

**13. Superintendent & Staff Report**

**14. Consent Agenda\***

**15. School Committee Member Reports**

Tewksbury SEPAC  
Wellness Advisory Committee  
Policy Sub-Committee

**16. Policy Changes, Proposals & Adoption**

None

**17. Old Business**

- a. Enrollment as of September 12, 2024

**18. New Business**

None

**19. New School Committee Matters of Interest**

**20. Future School Committee Meeting Dates**

October 1st-Special Town Mtg; October 16th; November 13, 2024; December 11, 2024

**21. Future Sub-Committee & Advisory Committee Meeting Dates**

TSEPAC Business Meeting: September 19th; Wellness Advisory Committee: October 24, 2024  
Policy Sub-Committee: September 23, 2024

**22. Future Agenda Items**

**23. Adjournment**

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**\*ANNOUNCEMENT:** The September 18, 2024 Regular School Committee Meeting will be televised and recorded and may be viewed live on Comcast Channel 22 and Verizon Channel 34 or YouTube.com/TewksburyTV. Under the Open Meeting Law, the public is permitted to make an audio or video recording of an open session at a public meeting. At this time, I would ask if anyone is recording tonight's meeting to please identify himself or herself.

**\*PUBLIC COMMENT:** Speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes to present their material. Large groups addressing the same topic are encouraged to consolidate their remarks and/or select a spokesperson to speak on the groups' behalf. If you require accommodations on the basis of a disability or require language interpretation assistance please notify the Superintendent's office in advance of the meeting date.

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## **Consent Agenda\***

### **Correspondence**

- a. Tewksbury 9-11 Memorial
- b. Tewksbury VFW - Cards for Veterans
- c. PAC 2024-2025 Fundraising Event Calendars
- d. Valley Collaborative Communication

### **Personnel Items**

**New Hires:** **Alyssa Collette**, Kindergarten Teacher at the Heath Brook School, effective 8/26/2024; **Breanna Flagg**, 1-year only Long-term Substitute Grade 3 MSNT at the Center Elementary School, effective 8/26/2024; **Nicole Calvino**, Grade 5 English Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher at the John Ryan Elementary School, effective August 26, 2024; **John Keating**, Education Support Personnel Aide at the Wynn Middle School, effective August 26, 2024; **Brad Lewis**, Grade 7 Computer Science & STEM Integration Teacher at the Wynn Middle School, effective August 26, 2024; **Liz Bairos**, Food & Nutrition Services team member, Center Elementary School, effective August 26, 2024; **Yu Savage**, Food & Nutrition Services team member, TMHS, effective August 26, 2024; **Casie White**, Assistant Director of FNS, effective August 19, 2024; **Laura Fox**, Education Support Personnel Aide at the Heath Brook School, effective August 26, 2024; **Susan Hogan**, Part-time Interim Special Education Case Manager (.5), Districtwide, effective August 26, 2024

**Reappointments** - None

**Retirements** - None

### **Appendix B 2024-2025 Co-Curricular Activities**

#### **John Ryan Elementary School**

PLC Facilitator positions:

Sandra Ferrara & Courtney Cooke (Graffeo) - Science PLC  
Andrea MacMullin & Kaitlin Magsarili - English Language Arts PLC  
Melissa Lane - District Art Show

#### **Heath Brook School**

Case Manager Special Education Team Chair: Brenda Meuse (.5)

PLC Facilitator positions:

Meagan Welch - Preschool PLC  
Katie Buck & Stacey Paradis - Kindergarten PLC  
Jennifer Price - Grade 1 PLC

Art Show: Kristen Kosiba

Lead Teacher: Mariellen Nastasi

**Appendix B 2024-2025 TMHS Athletics** - None

**Acceptance of Grants** - None

**Acceptance of Donation** - Donation to the Wynn Drama Program

**Raffles** - TMHS Soccer Boosters, soccer season Senior Nights' 50/50 raffles, October 15, 2024 and October 17, 2024; TMHS Field Hockey Booster Club fundraiser 50/50 raffle, September 3, 2024 through November 10, 2024 (Fall Season).

# Executive Session

**TEWKSBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**Executive Session (Non-Public Session)**  
**Wednesday, September 18, 2024**  
Tewksbury Memorial High School  
*Guidance Office Conference Room*  
320 Pleasant Street, Tewksbury, Massachusetts

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Non-Public Session - 5:30 PM**

- Approval of August 14, 2024 Executive Session Minutes; and
- Collective Bargaining Pertaining to TTA (Teachers); ESP (Aides); Custodians; Secretaries; TAG (Tewksbury Administrator Group); and Nurses and Food Services Bargaining Units

The School Committee will reconvene in Open Session following the Executive Session.

**C. ADJOURN & RECONVENE REGULAR SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Recognition  
and/or  
Presentations

# **Tewksbury School Committee - September 18, 2024**

## **RECOGNITIONS**

### **Tewksbury Police Department**

Katrina Valeri, School Resource Officer

### **HR Precision Solution**

Jennifer McNeal, Aide

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## **PRESENTATIONS**

None



# Minutes



# Payroll

TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Tewksbury, Massachusetts  
8/15/2024

I move the School Department Payroll be approved and certified in the amounts and categories as shown for a total amount of **\$1,456,969.87**

**GRANTS**

\$0.00	Early Childhood Grant
\$0.00	IEP Stipend
\$16,148.12	Title I Grant
\$0.00	Title II Grant
\$6,100.50	Title III Grant
\$0.00	Title IV Grant
\$24,408.35	Special Ed 240 Grant
\$0.00	ASOST Grant
\$0.00	Innovation Pathways Grant
\$0.00	SEL Grant
\$14,387.42	ESSER III Grant
\$0.00	21st Century Sped Enhancement
\$0.00	Yondr Grant
\$2,250.00	21st Century Grant

**REVOLVING ACCOUNTS**

\$2,858.25	Facilities
\$0.00	Parking Fees
\$0.00	Advisor Stipend
\$0.00	TMHS Athletic Intramurals
\$0.00	WYNN Athletic Intramurals
\$0.00	Advisor Stipend- Ryan
\$0.00	AP Proctoring
\$1,999.68	Recreation
\$5,480.12	Lunch Program
\$0.00	Athletic Revolving
\$1,350.00	Adult Education Program
\$6,351.89	Preschool
\$0.00	Kindergarten Revolving
\$0.00	School Rec Coverage
\$66,738.22	Circuit Breaker Account
\$0.00	Community Services Preschool Program
\$3,591.72	Alphabest

**\$151,664.27      SUB TOTAL - NON LEA FUNDS**

**LEA FUNDS**

\$353,909.91	2024-2025 School Department Account
\$951,395.69	2023-2024 School Department Account

**\$1,305,305.60      SUB TOTAL - LEA FUNDS**

**\$1,456,969.87      TOTAL**

TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Tewksbury, Massachusetts  
8/29/2024

I move the School Department Payroll be approved and certified in the amounts and categories as shown for a total amount of **\$1,287,725.08**

**GRANTS**

\$0.00	Early Childhood Grant
\$0.00	IEP Stipend
8,398.12	Title I Grant
\$0.00	Title II Grant
\$2,509.92	Title III Grant
\$0.00	Title IV Grant
\$19,843.35	Special Ed 240 Grant
\$0.00	ASOST Grant
\$0.00	Innovation Pathways Grant
\$0.00	SEL Grant
\$14,387.42	ESSER III Grant
\$0.00	21st Century Sped Enhancement
\$0.00	Yondr Grant
\$0.00	21st Century Grant
\$5,577.60	Project Lead the Way

**REVOLVING ACCOUNTS**

\$2,348.90	Facilities
\$0.00	Parking Fees
\$0.00	Advisor Stipend
\$0.00	TMHS Athletic Intramurals
\$0.00	WYNN Athletic Intramurals
\$0.00	Advisor Stipend- Ryan
\$0.00	AP Proctoring
\$564.80	Recreation
\$9,089.36	Lunch Program
\$0.00	Athletic Revolving
\$2,475.00	Adult Education Program
\$0.00	Preschool
9,067.10	Kindergarten Revolving
\$0.00	School Rec Coverage
\$0.00	Circuit Breaker Account
\$0.00	Community Services Preschool Program
\$4,005.31	Alphabest

**\$78,266.88      SUB TOTAL - NON LEA FUNDS**

**LEA FUNDS**

\$258,062.51	2024-2025    School Department Account
\$951,395.69	2023-2024    School Department Account

**\$1,209,458.20      SUB TOTAL - LEA FUNDS**

**\$1,287,725.08      TOTAL**

TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Tewksbury, Massachusetts  
9/12/2024

I move the School Department Payroll be approved and certified in the amounts and categories as shown for a total amount of **\$1,535,281.09**

**GRANTS**

\$190.08	Early Childhood Grant
\$0.00	IEP Stipend
\$7,165.34	Title I Grant
\$625.52	Title II Grant
\$697.20	Title III Grant
\$0.00	Title IV Grant
\$23,032.75	Special Ed 240 Grant
\$300.00	ASOST Grant
\$0.00	Innovation Pathways Grant
\$244.02	21st Century CLC Summer Enhancement Grant
\$0.00	SEL Grant
\$0.00	ESSER III Grant
\$0.00	21st Century Sped Enhancement
\$0.00	Yondr Grant
\$0.00	21st Century Grant
\$0.00	Project Lead the Way

**REVOLVING ACCOUNTS**

\$2,576.56	Facilities
\$703.00	Parking Fees
\$260.20	Advisor Stipend
\$0.00	TMHS Athletic Intramurals
\$0.00	WYNN Athletic Intramurals
\$0.00	Advisor Stipend- Ryan
\$0.00	AP Proctoring
\$0.00	Recreation
\$53,289.84	Lunch Program
\$0.00	Athletic Revolving
\$2,892.62	Adult Education Program
\$25,471.04	Preschool
\$0.00	Kindergarten Revolving
\$0.00	School Rec Coverage
\$0.00	Circuit Breaker Account
\$0.00	Community Services Preschool Program
\$2,389.77	Alphabest

**\$119,837.94      SUB TOTAL - NON LEA FUNDS**

**LEA FUNDS**

\$1,415,443.15	2024-2025   School Department Account
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**\$1,415,443.15      SUB TOTAL - LEA FUNDS**

**\$1,535,281.09      TOTAL**

Superintendent/  
Staff /School  
Committee  
Reports



# Consent Agenda



## **Tewksbury 9-11 Memorial**

**Wednesday, September 11, 2024 – 7:00 pm**

**“Never Forget” September 11, 2001”**

### **Procession**

The Tewksbury Fire Department - Tewksbury Police Department  
Tewksbury Veterans of Foreign Wars - Tewksbury Lodge of Elks  
Bagpiper Graeme Blackman

### **Presentation of Colors & Honor Guard**

The Tewksbury Fire Department - Tewksbury Police Department  
Tewksbury Veterans of Foreign Wars – Tewksbury Lodge of Elks

### **“Star Spangled Banner”**

The Tewksbury High School Band  
TMHS Concert Choir  
The Tewksbury Swinging Seniors

***Tewksbury 9-11 Memorial***



**“Pledge of Allegiance”**

Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts of Tewksbury

**“America the Beautiful”**

TMHS Concert Choir- Directed by Celeste Pellegrino

**Welcome**

Tewksbury 9-11 Memorial Board of Directors, Mark Kratman

**Larissa Gay**

Daughter of Peter Gay - American Airlines Flight 11

**“God Bless America”**

The Tewksbury Swinging Seniors

**Remembering the 93 Massachusetts Residents**

The Tewksbury Police Department and the Tewksbury Fire Department

**“Taps”**

LTC, Sam Poulton U.S. Army

Debbie Boyce Lisiecki

**“Amazing Grace”**

TMHS Student Shaun Carr

**Concluding Remarks**

Tewksbury 9-11 Memorial Board of Directors, Jim Carter

**“This is My Country”**

The Tewksbury Swinging Seniors

**“Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

TMHS Student Julia Borushik

***23 Years and Never Forgetting***

***Tewksbury 9-11 Memorial***

RECEIVED BY TPS  
SEP 6 2024 AM 10:14

September 4, 2024

Ms. Theriault-Regan

Superintendent of Schools

Tewksbury, MA. 01876

Dear Ms. Theriault-Regan,

Veteran's Day is fast approaching. We would like to remind the children of the Tewksbury School System to remember the forgotten Veteran's at the Edith Norse Rogers Memorial VA Hospital. We encourage the students to make Veteran thank you cards for these Veterans. We would then collect these from the schools and distribute them to each Veteran at the VA Hospital

We ask you to promote this project with the students of Tewksbury. We will arrange to collect the cards on November 4<sup>th</sup>. This gives us time to arrange gift bags for the Veterans that are full of the children's cards.

Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your participation,

James. F. Williams, Commander VFW District 15

Mary F. Williams, President VFW District 15

# Center Elementary 2024/2025 Event Calendar

Month	Social / School	Community	Fundraising
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Back to School Bash (all grades)</li> <li>• Staff Welcome Back Luncheon</li> </ul>		
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student Welcome Back Ice Cream Social</li> </ul>		
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trunk or Treat</li> <li>• Boston Bruin's Day</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fun Run</li> </ul>
November		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collections/Thank You Cards for Veteran's Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scholastic Book Fair</li> </ul>
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jolly Jamboree</li> <li>• Holiday Shoppe</li> <li>• Staff Cookie Stroll</li> <li>• Winter Spirit Days</li> </ul>		
January		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valentine's For Veterans</li> <li>• Food Pantry Collection</li> </ul>	
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candy Bar Bingo</li> <li>• Lowell Riverhawks Game</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Square 1 Art</li> <li>• 4th Grade Committee Fundraiser</li> </ul>
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• STEAM Night</li> <li>• Read Across America Week</li> <li>• March Thru the Decades</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Library Night</li> </ul>	
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Celtics Game</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scholastic Book Fair</li> </ul>
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teacher Appreciation Week</li> <li>• Field Day(s)</li> </ul>		
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spirit Days - End of School</li> <li>• 4th Grade Celebration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Livingston Social</li> </ul>	
Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrichments</li> <li>• School Beautification</li> <li>• Monthly Staff Snack Carts</li> <li>• Mascot Coordinator</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spirit Wear</li> <li>• Mabel's Labels</li> <li>• Dine Out Nights</li> <li>• New Beginnings Hair Design Fundraiser</li> </ul>

# **Center Elementary School 2024-2025 Fundraising Events Descriptions**

Below you will find descriptions for the fundraising events set to take place at the Center Elementary School during the 2024-2025 school year. These events raise funds primarily for enrichment activities at the school as well as social and community building programs. We understand that some events may be canceled based on DESE, School Committee, Superintendent & Principal guidance but wanted to be inclusive of all proposed events. Please see the enclosed calendar for approximate timing during the school year.

## **Fun Run**

This event is over a week-long event with a pep rally, daily challenges, classroom activities, games and music culminating in the fun run at school. The students create a goal to raise an amount of money and donations are "pledged" based on the number of laps they do.

## **Scholastic Book Fairs**

We will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair this Fall (November) and Spring (April).

## **Square 1 Art**

We work with this company to take student's art and turn it into family keepsakes.

## **4th Grade Committee Fundraiser**

The 4th Grade Committee raises funds for the end of the year event for the exiting 4th graders. Application of funds will be based on the ultimate need for the event but in the past they have been used for a send-off gift. Actual fundraiser is TBD.

## **Spirit Wear**

We will offer Center Elementary School gear to families.

## **Mable's Labels**

This company offers customizable and durable labels parents and guardians can purchase to label their student's items. The PAC receives a portion of the sales. This is being offered for all of the 2024-2025 school year.

## **Dine Outs/Business Give Backs**

Local restaurants / businesses give a portion of proceeds on a specific date/time that the PAC advertises to the community as one that will benefit the PAC. Locations for this year are TBD.

# Dewing 2024-2025 Events Calendar

MONTH	School/Social	Community	Fundraisers
<b>August</b>	Playground Social (PreK, K and 1st) Welcome Back Staff Breakfast		
<b>September</b>	Dewing Welcome Back Ice Cream Social		
<b>October</b>	Food Pantry Collection	Safe Halloween Dewing Library Night FallOWeen	Color Run
<b>November</b>	Fall Festival		Scholastic Book Fair
<b>December</b>	Jolly Jamboree	Coat Drive Holiday Giving Tree	Gift Card Fundraiser
<b>January</b>	Riverhawks Game		Square One Art
<b>February</b>		Valentines for Veterans/Seniors	Penny Wars Parents Night Out
<b>March</b>	Read Across America Week Family Game Night		Family Portraits
<b>April</b>	Preschool Craft night		Golf Ball Drop
<b>May</b>	Staff Appreciation Week		Dewing Scholastic Book Fair
<b>June</b>	Field Day	Livingston Summer kickoff Event	
<b>ONGOING</b>	A&E		Spirit Wear VIP Parking Raffle Dine out Nights



# Dewing Elementary Fundraisers

Below, please find the explanation for the fundraising events set to take place at the Dewing School during the 2024-2025 school year. All the events raise funds for primarily enrichment activities at the schools as well as social and community building programs. We understand that some events may be canceled due to DESE / School Committee / Superintendent / Principal guidance but wanted to be inclusive of all events in case they are still able to happen. Please see the corresponding calendar for approximate timing during the year.

## 2023-2024 Fundraising Events

- **Color Run:** We will purchase: Tshirts, paint, obstacles and other items needed on the course. Each student tries to get people to donate towards their classroom, as the class with the most amount raised slimes the Teachers. We will bring them a day of running, music, bubbles and FUN!
- **Scholastic Book Fairs:** A staple in both the Fall and Spring, we will be hosting Scholastic Book Fairs in our schools.
- **Spirit Wear:** We will sell Dewing School swag to families.
- **Dine Outs:** We will host several Dine Out events for the school this year, in which local businesses give the Dewing PAC a percentage of their earnings on a chosen date and time.
- **Square One Art Fundraiser:** We will work with a company that replicates children's art on a variety of keepsakes to raise funds for the schools.
- **Parents Night Out**-This will be an adult event held at a local establishment. We will sell tickets and offer entertainment for the attendees. Past entertainment includes Comedians, music bingo and trivia.
- **Penny Wars:** Each year the students bring in spare change to the schools for a set period and deposit it into containers. The grade levels compete against each other for money that is raised.
- **Family Portraits:** Families get a photo session with a Local Photographer complete with digital downloads who will give back a percentage of all sales.
- **Golf Ball Drop:** sell numbers to people. Each number gets put on a golf ball. The golf balls are put into a bucket and dropped from a helicopter onto a field with a





Heath Brook Elementary School  
Parent Advisory Council

# Heath Brook 2024-2025 Event Calendar

Month	School/Social	Community	Fundraising
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff Welcome Back lunch (8/27)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spirit Wear Store (9/11-9/27)</li> </ul>
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BOKS - free morning exercise program</li> <li>Halloween Carnival (10/12)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heath Brook Library Night</li> <li>Safe Halloween</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scholastic Book Fair</li> </ul>
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BOKS (continue from October)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raise Craze</li> </ul>
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Holiday Event for teachers/staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coats for Kids &amp; Families coat drive</li> </ul>	
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penguin Palooza</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spirit Wear Store</li> </ul>
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lowell River Hawks Game</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Valentine's for Veterans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penny Wars</li> </ul>
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read Across America Week</li> <li>BOKS – free morning exercise program</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Square 1 Art</li> </ul>
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BOKS (continued from March)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Food Pantry Drive</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scholastic Book Fair</li> <li>Square 1 Art (continued)</li> </ul>
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff &amp; Teacher Appreciation</li> <li>Ice Cream Social</li> </ul>		
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Field Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summer Kick Off Social</li> </ul>	
Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrichment</li> <li>Monthly themed Snack Carts for Staff</li> <li>Beautification of the school grounds</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dine Out Nights</li> <li>Box Tops</li> </ul>





## Heath Brook Elementary School Parent Advisory Council

Below, please find the explanation for the fundraising events set to take place at the Heath Brook School during the 2024-2025 school year. The funds raised through these events will support enrichment activities at the school as well as social and community building programs. We understand that some events may be cancelled due to DESE / School Committee / Superintendent / Principal guidance but wanted to be inclusive of all events in case they are still able to happen. Please see the corresponding calendar for approximate timing during the year.

### **2024-2025 Fundraising Events**

- *Spirit Wear Store:* We will run our Heath Brook Spirit Wear store twice this year. It will offer a selection of clothing featuring our Penguin Pride logo and items will be slightly marked-up so that we can raise funds for the school.
- *Square 1 Art Fundraiser:* We will work with a company that replicates children's art on a variety of keepsakes to raise funds for the school.
- *Scholastic Book Fairs:* A staple in both the Fall and Spring, we will be hosting Scholastic Book Fairs in our school in late October and in April.
- *Penny Wars:* A favorite fundraiser amongst both teachers and students, students compete in a grade-wide competition to see which grade can earn the most points by the end of the week. Students can add points to their grade or subtract points to other grades depending on what type of currency they add to the collection jars.
- *Dine Outs:* We will host several Dine Out events for the school this year, in which local businesses give the Heath Brook PAC a percentage of their earnings on a chosen date and time.
- *Box Tops:* These are fundraising applications in which the school takes part to raise money by scanning receipts to collect Box Tops (respectively).
- *Raise Craze:* This fundraiser was a tremendous success last year and a favorite for students, teachers, and parents because it was a fun way to spread kindness throughout our school community! Students ask family/friends for donations in support of their school with a promise to "pay it forward" by completing acts of kindness throughout the duration of the fundraiser.

# Ryan PAC 2024-2025 Event Calendar

Month	Social	Community	Fundraising
August		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome Back Breakfast 8/27</li> </ul>	
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ice Cream Social 9/25</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open House Snacks for Teachers 9/4-9/5</li> <li>Open House – PAC Tables 9/4-9/5</li> </ul>	
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fall-o-ween 10/20</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social Media Presentation</li> <li>Earth Dome</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Penny Wars</li> </ul>
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fall Festival TBD</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scholastic Book Fair</li> <li>Mrs. Fields Sale Fundraiser</li> </ul>
December			
January		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Year New Classroom Supplies</li> </ul>	
February			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calendar Raffle</li> </ul>
March		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Read Across America Week</li> <li>Career Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents Night Out</li> </ul>
April		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invention Convention</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Golf ball drop</li> </ul>
May		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teacher Appreciation Week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scholastic Book Fair</li> </ul>

June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 6 Celebration</li> <li>• Kickball Tournament</li> </ul>		
Ongoing		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beautification</li> <li>• Coffee Carts</li> <li>• Student Enrichment</li> <li>• Student School Supplies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dine Out Nights</li> </ul>

## Fundraising Explanation:

**Penny Wars:** Students bring in loose change to compete across their grades. The winning class will get a special prize (TBD). Families can bring in dollars and place them in another classroom which will deduct that amount from that class' total. Funds will be used for Field Trips and Enrichment opportunities.

**Scholastic Book Fair:** We host a book fair where students can purchase books, journals, etc. We earn Scholastic dollars to purchase items for teacher classrooms, including books to enhance classroom libraries.

**Mrs. Fields Cookies:** Families can purchase Mrs. Fields cookie dough. A percentage of the sales will benefit the Ryan PAC.

**Calendar Raffle:** Families purchase raffle entries. A new winner will be selected each day, so you have 30 chances to win.

**Parents/guardians Night Out:** Ryan PAC will plan an adults-only event for parents/guardians. Tickets will be purchased to the event and proceeds will benefit the Ryan PAC.

**Golf Ball Drop:** Families purchase golf balls and will be assigned a numbered golf ball. We will drop the bucket numbered golf balls out of a helicopter onto a field in town (location TBD). The students will be gathered to watch the excitement and the drop will be videotaped and posted on our Facebook page. The owner of the ball that lands closest to the hole will win the grand prize.

**Dine-outs:** We partner with local businesses to donate a portion of their profits on a given day. We post on multiple town social media to increase exposure.

# Wynn PAC 2024-2025 Event Calendar

Month	Social	Community	Fundraising
August		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome Back Coffee/Snack Cart</li> <li>Back to School Student Supplies</li> </ul>	
September		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open House Snacks for Teachers 9/19-9/26</li> <li>Open House – PAC Tables 9/19-9/26</li> <li>Spirit Wear</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pie Fundraiser - starts 9/25</li> </ul>
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fall-O-Ween</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social Media Safety Presentation 10/16</li> <li>Coat Drive</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pie Fundraiser - ends 10/16</li> </ul>
November		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pie Donations to Food Pantry</li> <li>Winter Walk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
December			
January		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Year New Classroom Supplies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power of Purpose (PoP) 1/27</li> </ul>
Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sporting Events</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beautification</li> <li>Coffee Carts</li> <li>Enrichment</li> <li>Teacher Lounge Makeover</li> <li>Wings Tickets</li> <li>Outdoor Classroom Space</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dine Out Nights</li> <li>Box Tops</li> </ul>

# Wynn School Parent Advisory Council

Below, please find the explanation for the fundraising events set to take place at the Wynn Schools during the 2024-2025 school year. All the events raise funds for primarily enrichment activities at the schools as well as social and community building programs. We understand that some events may be canceled due to DESE / School Committee / Superintendent / Principal guidance but wanted to be inclusive of all events in case they are still able to happen. Please see the corresponding calendar for approximate timing during the year.

## 2024-2025 Fundraising Events

- *Mabels Labels*: online fundraiser posted on social media that allows families or community members to purchase labels for school, camp, sports, etc and a percentage of each sale is given to the PAC.
- *MCM Pie Fundraiser*: Students sell pies to local contacts and online catalog items. Students will deliver their local pies after they are delivered to the school for pick up.
- *Power of Purpose (PoP!)*: Working with PoP! to raise funds through a school created "website". They will then get to enjoy a "Day of Awesomenes" where the company will bring in inflatables and the Kona Truck for an amazing day celebrating all their hard work.
- *Helpsy*: Located at the Heath Brook School, we have a Helpsy bin in the parking lot to collect clothing for recycling.
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- *Scholastic Book Fairs*: A staple in both the Fall and Spring, we will be hosting Scholastic Book Fairs in our schools.
- *Spirit Wear*: We will sell Wynn/Tewksbury swag to families.
- *Holiday Craft Fair*: We will host a community craft fair in which tables will be purchased by the vendors. Student tables can be offered for a discount or free.
- *Silent Auction*: Online silent auction to be held and to include some student art.
- *Dine Outs*: We will host several Dine Out events for the school this Fall, in which local businesses give the PAC a percentage of their earnings on a chosen date and time.
- *Box Tops*: These are fundraising applications in which the school participates to raise money by scanning receipts and scanning receipts to collect Box Tops.

## Tewksbury Memorial High Parent Advisory Council 2024/2025 School year

Month	Social	Community	Fundraising
August		Welcome PAC email	Student VIP Parking Raffle – (2 winners)
September		Teacher appreciation dinner/Open house	
October		Staff enrichment grant requests open	PAC Annual Applefest Craft Fair @ TMHS
November		Teacher appreciation/Parent/teacher conferences – Dinner provided	
December		Staff holiday treats	
January		Staff enrichment grant requests open	
February			
March			PAC Trivia Night
April			PAC Calendar Raffle
May			
June		Senior All night long celebration/Graduation night	
July			

## **Tewksbury Memorial High School PAC**

**Co-Chairs: Christine Paquette & Erin Guendner**

**Treasurer – Patty Jensen**

### **Please check out our new PAC Website**

<https://tmhspac.wixsite.com/site1>

Below, please find the explanation for the fundraising events set to take place at Tewksbury Memorial High School for the **2024-2025** school year.

All the events raise funds to support graduating senior scholarships, The All night long celebration held on graduation night, Staff grant requests, & staff appreciation dinners during open houses and conferences.

#### **2024 Fall/Winter Fundraising Events**

- October – Annual Applefest Craft Fair event held on 10/26 at TMHS. Over 100 crafters registered along with student club tables, class councils, sport boosters. Proceeds go to the Senior All night long event and Scholarships.
- March – PAC Trivia night event, adults only. This is held at a venue of PAC choosing, not on school grounds. Proceeds go to the Senior All night long event and Scholarships.

#### **2025 Spring/Summer Fundraising Events**

- April – Spring calendar raffle sent to all TMHS families.
- June – Senior all night long event held on graduation night at the Wynn School. (This is an event, not a fundraiser)
- August – Student VIP Parking Raffle (*winners receive 2 assigned spots located at school's discretion*) Proceeds from this raffle go to Staff grants and appreciation dinners/lunch.



# *Tewksbury Public Schools*

Tewksbury, Massachusetts 01876

**Judi McInnes**

Principal

(978) 640-7880 ext. 7300

**William Hart**

Assistant Principal

(978) 640-7880 ext. 7302

**John F. Ryan Elementary School**

135 Pleasant Street

Tewksbury, MA 01876

Fax (978) 640-7888

To: Brenda Theriault-Regan

From: Judi McInnes, Ryan School Principal

Re: Appendix B Positions- UPDATED

Date: August 7, 2024

## **John F. Ryan School Appendix B Positions 2024-2025**

I recommend the following people for **Team Leader** positions:

Christine Cremin

Kathleen Anderson

Rachel Cohen

Gretchen Martel

Robert Shirkoff

Jennifer Mrozowski

Pamela Shirkoff

I recommend the following people for **PLC Facilitator** positions:

Susan Walsh

Mathematics

Sandra Ferrara & **Courney Cooke (Grafteo)**

Science

Jamie Bruno

Specialists

Andrea MacMullin & **Katlin Magsarili**

**English/Language Arts**

Lauren Tierney

Social Studies

I recommend the following person for the position of District Art Show:

**Melissa Lane**

# Heath Brook Elementary School

165 Shawsheen Street  
Tewksbury, MA 01876  
(978) 640-7865

Mrs. Terry Gerrish, Principal

[tgerrish@tewksbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:tgerrish@tewksbury.k12.ma.us)

[www.tewksbury.k12.ma.us/heath-brook](http://www.tewksbury.k12.ma.us/heath-brook)

<https://www.facebook.com/heathbrooktewksbury>



**Penguin Pride**

**To: Mrs. Brenda Theriault-Regan, Superintendent**  
**From: Terry Gerrish**  
**Re: Appendix B Positions**  
**Date: May 14, 2024 (updated 9/6/24)**

## **Heath Brook School Appendix B Positions 2024-2025**

### **I recommend the following for Case manager positions:**

Special Education Case Manager Brenda Meuse (.5 + .5 Dewing)

### **I recommend the following people for PLC positions:**

PLC Facilitator - Kindergarten	Katie Buck & Stacey Paradis (split)
PLC Facilitator - Grade 1	Jennifer Price
PLC Facilitator - Preschool	Meagan Welch

### **I recommend the following people for Appendix "B" positions:**

Art Show (HB/Dewing)	Kristen Kosiba
Lead Teacher	Mariellen Nastasi

*The Tewksbury Public Schools Community believes that our educational program will reflect our collective Vision of a Learner. The consistent observable growth among our students and staff will be evident in the achievement of academic, social, and emotional success in school and far beyond.*

Brenda Theriault-Regan, C.A.G.S.  
Superintendent  
bregan@tewksbury.k12.ma.us  
978-640-7800



Nancy Milligan, M. Ed  
Ass't Superintendent  
nmilligan@tewksbury.k12.ma.us  
978-640-7800

To: Tewksbury School Committee  
From: Brenda Theriault-Regan, Superintendent  
Re: Acceptance of Donation  
Date: September 13, 2024

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Mr. Nick Parsons of Tewksbury, orchestrated raising funds for the Wynn Middle School Drama Program. Our thanks and appreciation to the following community members for the generous donation of \$660 to the Wynn Drama Program.

**Wynn Drama Program Donors:**

Bianca Kolb  
Renee Conlin  
Israel Lefebvre  
Theodoros Hondros  
Melissa Kelleher  
Michelle Gasson  
Lucas Parsons  
Meredith Fahey  
Jeanette Waugh  
Sara Cohen  
Richard Kirby  
Amanda Mattucio  
June Fullerton  
Trish Maia  
Alana Regan  
Emily Melanson  
Josue Delgado

cc: Mr. Libby, Business Manager  
Mr. Weir, Principal  
Ms. Milligan, Ass't Superintendent  
Mr. DiPima, Drama Club Advisor

***TPS District Strategy***

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TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Request for Fundraising

RECEIVED BY TPS  
AUG 26 2024 11:57  
Date: 8/23/24

File: JJE-E

1. Name of Organization TMHS Soccer Boosters
2. Describe in detail the method of the fundraising activity. (Attach additional information necessary.)  
Soccer season Senior Nights 50/50 Raffles  
Oct 15 + Oct 17
3. School location and facilities desired (cafetorium, cafeteria, classroom, gymnasium).  
Please send Use of Facilities Form to: TMHS -Nancy O'Hare, [nohare@teWKsbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:nohare@teWKsbury.k12.ma.us);  
K-8 -Eileen Osborne, [eosborne@teWKsbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:eosborne@teWKsbury.k12.ma.us)
4. Purpose of anticipated funds (To be approved by the building principal).  
To Support Boosters events (Sr. Scholarships & Banquet)
5. Proposed dates of fund raising activity: From 10/15 To 10/17
6. Describe student involvement in the fund raising activity. (Please note: Venmo is not an acceptable method of payment.) Run by Boosters Parent Volunteers

7. Type of identifying credential to be used during Fund Raising Activity. \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is there a contract or agreement to be signed? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

9. Name of responsible individual (PRINT) Christine Paggett Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email TMHSsoccerBoosters1@gmail.com

(To be completed by the School Principal)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1. Your request for permission to raise funds is Approved Disapproved (Circle)
2. Reason for disapproval \_\_\_\_\_
3. You are authorized to begin the activity on \_\_\_\_\_
4. You are to submit a written narrative describing the amount of money raised and the funds not later than thirty (30) days after the ending date as shown above.
5. Comments by the principal: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ I have reviewed this fundraiser request and its associated details and verified that it complies with policy JJE Student Fundraising Activities. (Check box)
6. Copy sent to the Office of the Superintendent of Schools. Yes No (Circle)

Principal's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date 8/23/24

Request for Fundraising

File: JJE-E

Date: 8/27/24

1. Name of Organization TMHS Field Hockey Booster Club

2. Describe in detail the method of the fundraising activity. (Attach additional information necessary.)

50/50 Raffle

3. School location and facilities desired (cafetorium, cafeteria, classroom, gymnasium).

Please send Use of Facilities Form to: TMHS - Nancy O'Hare, nohare@tewksbury.k12.ma.us;  
K-8 - Eileen Osborne, eosborne@tewksbury.k12.ma.us

4. Purpose of anticipated funds (To be approved by the building principal.)

to be used for Field Hockey team banquet  
supplies for season, summer league registration

5. Proposed dates of fund raising activity: From 9/3 To 11/10 Fall Season

6. Describe student involvement in the fund raising activity. (Please note: Venmo is not an acceptable method of payment.)

7. Type of identifying credential to be used during Fund Raising Activity.

8. Is there a contract or agreement to be signed? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No ✓

9. Name of responsible individual (PRINT) Christine Mangano Signature Christine Mangano

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date 8/28/24 (To be completed by the School Principal)

1. Your request for permission to raise funds is Approved Disapproved (Circle)

2. Reason for disapproval \_\_\_\_\_

3. You are authorized to begin the activity on 10/21

4. You are to submit a written narrative describing the amount of money raised and the funds not later than thirty (30) days after the ending date as shown above.

5. Comments by the principal: Raffle procedure to be followed



I have reviewed this fundraiser request and its associated details and verified that it complies with policy JJE.  
Student Fundraising Activities (Check box)

6. Copy sent to the Office of the Superintendent of Schools. Yes No (Circle)

Principal's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date 8/28/24

Revised: November 21, 2023





### We are: On a Roll

■ Page 2: The Elementary School is wrapping up a great year, featuring lots of learning and a ton of fun.



### We are: Over the moon

■ Page 4: A trip to the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center in Concord, NH was a highlight for the Middle School.



### We are: Out and About

■ Page 7: Individuals in Valley's Adult Programs have been enjoying more activities and learning opportunities than ever before.

# VALLEY COLLABORATIVE

Volume 12, Issue 4 News for the extended Valley Collaborative community Summer 2024

## Celebrating Our Successes, Planning for the Future



LEFT TO RIGHT: MAZYAR MOSHTAGHI, CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER; PATRICIA SICARD, ACCOUNTS MANAGER; DR. CHRIS A. SCOTT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR; RENATO SILVA, SCHOOL SAFETY & FACILITIES MANAGER

Dear members of the Valley Collaborative Community:

As we wind down the 2023 - 2024 school year, we are proud of all that has been accomplished at Valley due to the dedicated work, collaboration and communication of our families, our staff and our administration.

Planning forward is an important ingredient in our recipe for success at Valley. The professional learning opportunities provided this school year came about as a result of our assessments of the needs of everyone at the Collaborative and thoughtful planning to meet those needs. Additionally, we have already started to work on our next Five Year District

Improvement Plan. By applying the concept of collaboration, this process includes gathering input from a wide audience and a variety of sources to create a plan which will improve and enhance all we do in our programs. The plan will be completed within the next few months and will provide us with a basic roadmap for our continuing journey and quest for excellence.

As you may be aware, Valley Collaborative is a special education public entity which bills sending public school districts and other public entities for tuition and services provided to our amazing students and adults.

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# Showing Our Colors at the Elementary School

The Elementary School is wrapping up a truly outstanding year, one filled with activities aimed at helping our students be stronger readers, healthier kids, and better stewards of the environment. There were also plenty of field trips and other fun-filled events—so many that students can't agree on their favorites.

"The holiday gift exchange was my favorite. It was fun to give and shop for people," said fourth grader Madeleine Clark. "My favorite was the Halloween Party and Trunk-or-Treat because I liked to see what other people were wearing," said fourth grader Olivia Lane. Another favorite event of the year was a fall African Drumming performance. "The African Drumming was fun!" said sixth grader Khloe Walsh. Fourth grader Lindsey Lavanga added: "The drumming and dancing were fun. Caroling was awesome too!"

## On a Roll

We kicked off the spring half of the school year with a field trip to Roller Kingdom in Tyngsboro. Students had a chance to exercise perseverance as they learned and practiced skating. "Roller Kingdom is the best place on earth!" said third grader Nate Skuse. "Roller Kingdom is fun!" agreed sixth grader Javian Pettengill. And while dancing on skates isn't easy, that's exactly what second grader Lucas Harrington enjoyed, adding, "I like to dance at Roller Kingdom!"

## A Month of Love and Kindness

February was a month filled with the spirit of love and kindness at the Elementary School, starting with spirit week from February 12th-16th: Love & Kindness Spirit Week, a "caught-being-kind" incentive program, and numerous kind-

ness themed activities. A Valentine's Day celebration featured a dance, a photo booth, and crafts. Finally, we wrapped up the month with a special assembly on February 28th at which students learned about the life, work, and lasting influence of Doctor Martin Luther King Jr.

## Read Across America

Students celebrated this annual tribute to all things literacy with a reading themed spirit week, buddy-reading, as well as visits from guest readers.

TOP: ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STAFF SHOW THEIR COLORS IN THE AUTISM AWARENESS "RAINBOW OF COLOR" THEMED WALK; BELOW SECOND GRADER ETHAN BARRY ON A VISIT TO ROLLER KINGDOM.



## Hands-on Science

The Acton Discovery Center Traveling Science Program returned in March to lead hands-on "Force & Magnetism" science workshops. April featured a visit from Eyes on Owls, teaching our students about these fascinating creatures.

## Autism Awareness

To celebrate Autism Awareness Month, we held a spirit week in early April, featuring themed spirit days, art projects, and other activities that focus on Autism Awareness. To cap off the spirit week, we held our annual Autism Awareness Walk on Friday, April 12th. This year we showed our support of the spectrum with a "rainbow of color" themed walk and activities.

## Earth Days

We celebrated Earth Day on April 22 with earth and environment themed activities. On May 10, percussion ensemble Bash The Trash returned to Valley for a performance that combined music, science and creativity.

## Mental Health Awareness

May is Mental Health Awareness Month, and we marked the occasion with a coping skills spirit week. We celebrated our current coping skills, and explored new skills that encourage self-care and emotional regulation.

Still ahead: our annual field day, graduation, and graduate talent show, capping off the year in June! ■





# Top Honors to an Outstanding Staff Member

**W**hen Eli Goumbakis was recognized as the top Division 1 assistant football coach in Massachusetts, Nick LeClair, principal of the Alternative Programs at the Transitional High School where Eli works, says he wasn't surprised at all. "Eli to his core is a coach on and off the field," says Nick. "He brings the best out of our kids."

Eli, whose official title at Valley is Consumer Science Vocational Coordinator, was recognized by the Massachusetts High School Football Coaches Association (MHSFCA) for his coaching success at Westford Academy. The head coach at Westford, Bruce Rich, nominated Eli in recognition of his hard work over the past three years, during which the football team, known as the Grey Ghosts, has emerged as a powerhouse, including winning the league last year.

For Eli, who has been coaching across a variety of sports for nearly twenty years, the award was a validation of his work with kids, whether on a high school team or at Valley. "The work I do here at Valley is all

about building relationships with the kids," says Eli. "That's how coaching works too. If kids believe in you they'll respond well. Then the possibilities are endless."

Eli dates the start of his coaching career to his college days when an injury kept him off of the football field. Eager to remain part of the football community, Eli took a coaching job at Chelmsford High when he was just 22. Over the years, he has coached multiple sports, including rugby and lacrosse, at a variety of schools. In addition to twelve years at Chelmsford High, Eli also spent four years at Groton-Dunstable High School before moving to Westford Academy.

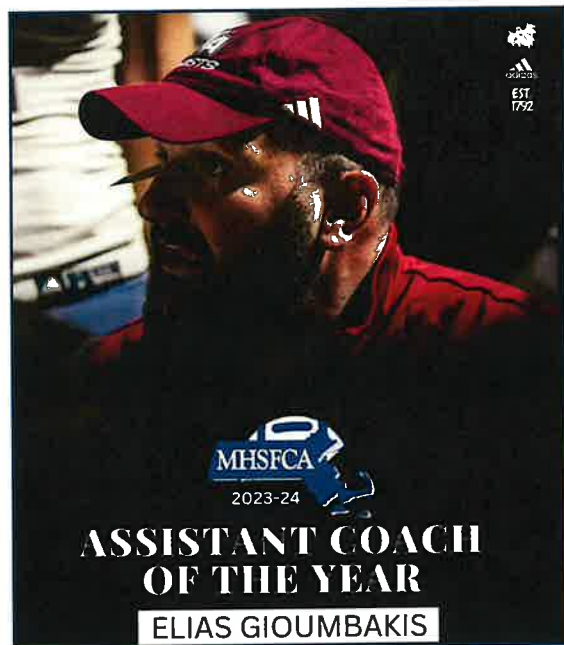
On the football field, Eli is known for intense pre-game speeches that inspire and motivate his players. He brings that same spirit to his work with students at Valley. Whether the setting is a football game in front of a sell-out crowd of 5,000 or the local gym that is home to Valley's brand new Jiu

Jitsu Club, says Eli. "How do we motivate each individual? How do we feed the fire?"

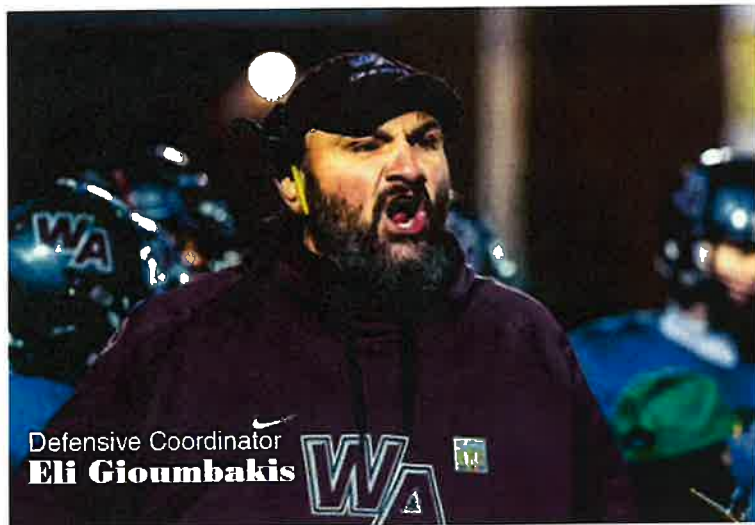
While Eli says that while his decades of coaching has influenced his work at the Transitional High School,

five years working at Valley have also made him a better coach. "At Valley, we're super focused on each individual kid," says Eli, whose job includes setting up internships for students based on their interests. "You need to get to know them and how they're motivated, and then adjust accordingly."

When Eli accepted the coaching honor at an MHSFCA banquet in early May he was quick to turn the attention to the various 'teammates' who've assisted him over the years. "I've been fortunate to have had some incredible mentors," he says. On the list: coach Bruce Rich Sr. who gave him his first coaching job at Chelmsford High School, as well as coaches Jason Fletcher and Tom Caito. He also gave thanks to his personal 'team,' namely his parents, and especially his wife and son. "They've had to miss a lot of family time in order for me to get here today." ■



ELI GOUMBAKIS, CONSUMER SCIENCE VOCATIONAL COORDINATOR AT THE TRANSITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, HAS BEEN NAMED DIVISION 1 ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACH OF THE YEAR.



ELI GIVING ENCOURAGEMENT TO MEMBERS OF THE WESTFORD ACADEMY FOOTBALL TEAM.

# At Valley Middle School, a Year to Remember

The 2023-2024 school year in the Alternative Program of the Middle School was one to remember! Students worked extremely hard in their core classes engaging in various writing, reading and hands-on activities. In ELA, the students read *Camp Sunshine* by local author, Jarret J. Krosocza, and *Thank You, Ma'am* by Langston Hughes, then showed off their writing skills by completing an essay for each book. In science, students created rockets, plant and animal cells out of candy, and root beer floats to understand the states of matter. In history, students participated in a biography project that required them to research a famous person and create a visual representation of their work. In math, students utilized manipulatives to increase their skills and researched travel expenses for a dream vacation.

When core classes weren't in session, students enjoyed electives such as Football Club (with a special trip to



SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT ZACH GRUNDY AND STUDENTS ZACHARY HAMMOUMI AND LOGAN COUGHLIN ENJOY A SCHOOL EVENT.

Patriots Hall of Fame), Culinary Arts, and Dungeons and Dragons Club. Learning skills outside of the classroom in the community setting plays a large role in programming, and student incentive trips to Altitude, Franklin Park Zoo, Bolton Animal Adventures, Metro Rock, and Honey-pot Hill Orchards were among some of the favorite attractions.

The Transitional Program of the Middle School also enjoyed activities outside of the classroom this year. Among the favorites were the Pirate Museum in Salem, MA, Enchanted Village, rock climbing at Metro Rock, and hiking Mt. Watatik. In culinary arts, students loved cooking food from different countries each month. Students had a blast showcasing their talents at the school talent show and their athleticism at the Special Olympics.

Students in the Valley Middle School, transitional and alternative programming, shared many similar sentiments of what made their year

at Valley outstanding. Many students credited the staff and programming to their success, as well as the sensory spaces, behavioral support, and accommodations. Middle School staff credit a successful year to the students and all of their accomplishments and growth. Here's what students and staff had to say when asked, "What made it an outstanding year for you at Valley?"

Ryder Raines, student, Transitional Middle School: "All the staff being supportive and patient."

Jude Galbraith, student, Transitional Middle School: "It's been helpful having the staff and resources that I need."

Kayden Bovardi, student, Transitional Middle School: "Being able to take sensory breaks."



TRANSITIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT KAYDEN BOVARDI WITH HIS GINGERBREAD HOUSE.

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# An Outstanding Year at Valley Transitional High School

**T**he Transitional High Schoolers continued to gain valuable academic, vocational, and functional living skills in preparation for adulthood during this school year. With a steady mix of community-based, real-world experiences, they've also had lots of fun! In December, students in the transitional programs dressed to impress for the annual trip to the North Shore Music Theater to see a production of A Christmas Carol. Other favorite field trips this year included the Museum of Science, the Madagascar play, Stone Zoo, Fenway Park, and the Patriots Hall of Fame. An epic time was also had by the students who hiked Mt. Monadnock to watch the solar eclipse. Students had fun celebrating each of the seasons with friends at the Halloween, Holiday, and Winter dances.

The school store is a favorite memory of many in the Transitional High School. Students enjoyed cashing in their Dojo points for everything from Pokemon cards to headphones and fidgets. A favorite item was a

new gumball machine that lets students win a variety of prizes, including a chance to pick a prize from the treasure chest.

The destination for this year's school trip was Chicago, Illinois where the Valley Travelers enjoyed all the sights and sounds Chicago has to offer including Michigan Avenue's Magnificent Mile, Millennium Park, Wrigley Field, and Lincoln Park Zoo. The Valley travelers watched a Chicago Cubs game, took the Seadog River and Lake Architecture Cruise, and participated in a deep dish pizza making class.

Graduation and end of year preparations are in full swing at the Valley Transitional High School. During a recent student council meeting the room was buzzing with ideas for the upcoming prom.

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TRANSITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS JADEN QUINONES, GAVIN WARGO, AIDEN MITCHELL, COREY ERICKSON ON THE JOB AT CHELMSFORD DPW

TRANSITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ELLIOT URBAN, MICHAEL MCANDREWS, AND RILEY LADUKE WITH ADVISORS DURING A STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING.



# At Valley Transitional High School, an Outstanding Year

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Students ultimately voted on an 80's theme to close out a successful school year.

This year was a year of learning, fun, and making lots of memories with friends.

We asked students and staff to reflect on this past year. Work sites tailored to individual student interests, academic successes, and extra-curricular activities are just a few of the responses. Here's what students and staff had to say when asked, "What made it an outstanding year for you at Valley?"

Vanessa Sebastian, student: "Going to work. I started two new jobs this year at the Service Dog Project and the Guinea Pig Sanctuary."

Anthony Normand, student: "Meeting new people and taking field trips."

Aiden Russell, student: "Starting a new job in the bistro."

Nicholas Porcaro, student: "Passing my final MCAS."

Michael McAndrews, student: "Being involved in school leadership, helping everyone, motivating students."

Riley LaDuke, student: "I've been here since I was 13, it's all about gaining experience so you can learn, grow, thrive, and adapt."

Lori Escolas, teacher: "I get to work with an amazing staff and administration. These students never cease to amaze me with their resilience, perseverance, and ability to overcome challenges. I am very proud of all of their accomplishments, and it will be bittersweet to watch some of them graduate. This was a fantastic year, I am so lucky to work at the Collaborative."

Mitchell Doherty, special education assistant: "Seeing the progress of the students who I work with along with the connections I've made with the Valley team." ■

# A Year to Remember



TEACHER HANNAH MORIARTY LEADS THE ALTERNATIVE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS IN A HOLIDAY CELEBRATION.

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Andres Diaz, student, Transitional Middle School: "The staff. They help me be a better person."

Hailey Hamilton, student, Alternative Middle School: "The staff and all the available resources and earning Dojo points to buy things from the school store."

Hannah Moriarty, Teacher, Alternative Middle School: "It's been super rewarding to see the gains the students have made in ELA, specifically with writing and their willingness to engage with reading."

Zach Grundy, Special Education Assistant, Transitional Middle School: "Seeing how our students have come over the year, both academically and in terms of thier maturity."

Jaclyn Squeglia, M.Ed, SAC, LMHC: "Seeing our transitional support staff reach their goals and become Special Education teachers. It inspires me to watch them grow into mature, professional educators who love our students and love coming to work each and every day." ■

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# Adult Services: More Space and a Big Year

**T**his year has been a big one for the Adult Services program as we've settled into our larger space. More space has enabled us to offer improved and expanded learning opportunities to the adults in the Today and Tomorrow program. The space, which we share with Mass Rehab, is located right off the highway, which means less time on the road for individuals, whether they're headed from home or to the job site. What do our individuals have to say about the past year?

**Mike Koczan** – “I like working at BMS all year and doing the packages and mail. I like being able to see and talk to all the other staff that work at BMS. It makes me happy and it's one of my favorite job sites that I go to. I also love going to the Food Bank in Lowell and helping to deliver meals to people that need them.”

**Billy Haberlin** – “I really like working with all the job coaches here and all the new job coaches. When I need help they are there for me and they help me with the work tasks that we have and they help keep me on track. I like that I get to be out in the

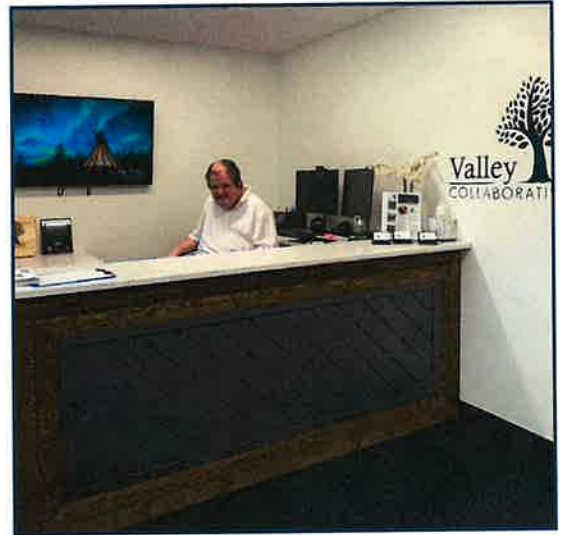
community every day and go to all the different sites.”

**Melaina Chaput** – “I work independently at TJ Maxx three days a week and I've been there for almost 18 years. I like how my Job Developers come and check in with me to make sure I have everything I need and to help me if I'm having any issues at work. I've also had a great year being with all my friends and getting to try different activities with CBDS like going to the Tyngsboro Sports Center and helping with our community gardening.”

**Crystal Dwyer** – “I like all my friends and getting to see them every day. We have so much fun together everyday with all the different activities we do. I also work at Wegmans three days a week on my own. Job Developers come to check on me every week and help me and make sure everything is going good for me. I've been at Wegmans for nine years!”

**Scott Nofle** – “I really like working at 3M and Chelmsford High School. I really enjoy that I get to see everyone when I come to the program. I've made some good connections with other people in the program and now I can always talk to them even when I'm not at Valley. I also really like Career Planning and talking about all the different job sites I could work at one day.”

**Jacob Bettencourt** – “I really enjoyed all the stuff we do. I like going to different parks and seeing different parts of the community. I really like getting to work and earn money too. My favorite work site is the Chelmsford High School Kitchen and I also really like volunteering with Meals on Wheels.”



TOP: BILLY MCCLURE GREETES PEOPLE AT OUR FRONT DESK; BELOW: SHARIFAH NAMIGADDE AND JOE SEPE AT A LOCAL MUSEUM ON A CBDS FIELD TRIP.

**Billy McClure** – I like this building. I like being in our new building because it's fun. There is a lot of space! I love my jobs. I like working at CrossPoint and talking with all the different people that work there. I like Community Catering and serving people meals. People need food so I like to be able to help them and give them food.”

**Sharifah Namigadde** – “I enjoy going to work, I enjoy working with all my friends. I always feel happy when the job coaches are nice to me and we get to talk to each other about the things going on in our life. I get to work independently sometimes and I really like that. I've come a long way and I am becoming a better and better worker with all my opportunities. I like how many choices I get every day and getting to choose where I want to go.” ■



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## Celebrating Our Success, Planning for the Future

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This financial structure is far different than a typical public school district which receives monies from the state based on enrollment. As such, the competent fiscal management of Valley is crucial for us to be able to continue to provide state-of-the-art programming to the individuals we serve.

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) is in the process of creating and implementing financial protocols for review of educational collaboratives across the Commonwealth. Given Valley's strong financial position and

its robust compliance with state laws and regulations, Valley was asked to provide feedback to the State on the draft financial protocols and has also been chosen to be the beta test site for this financial review. Valley is proud of its role in helping DESE to finalize these protocols of best practice as they will enhance the financial operations of Collaboratives statewide.

I thank each of you for the contributions you have made to such a wonderful school year of achievement and joy in learning, both in our programs and at home. It takes a village and our Valley village is strong!

As you can see, we are looking forward with anticipation to an even better year ahead. With a year of great accomplishment coming to a close, we feel we have only just begun. Have a wonderful summer!

My door is always open,

Chris A. Scott,  
Executive Director



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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Tewksbury School Committee  
**From:** Brenda Theriault-Regan  
Superintendent of Schools  
**Date:** September 12, 2024  
**Re:** Student Enrollment & Class Counts

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**This is an informational item only. No vote is required.**

Please see the following September 12, 2024 TPS enrollment and class counts. This is informational only, no vote is required.

SCHOOL	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	PG	TOTALS
CENTER				306	245	265										816
DEWING	70	140	145													355
HEATH BROOK	51	135	114													300
RYAN							256	245								501
WYNN MIDDLE									260	278						538
HIGH SCHOOL (HS)											160	169	191	173	9	702
PreSchool @ HS	15															15
TOTALS	121	275	259	306	245	265	256	245	260	278	160	169	191	173	9	3212
	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	PG	

Heath Brook			LF Dewing			Center Elem			Center Elem			John F. Ryan						John Wynn Middle					
Grd	Tcher	Cnt	Grd	Tcher	Cnt	Grd	Tcher	Cnt	Grd	Tcher	Cnt	Grd	Tcher	Cnt	Grd	Tcher	Cnt	Grd	Tcher	Cnt	Grd	Tcher	Cnt
KF	A. Pagones	20	KF	T. Molea	21	2	E. Daley	22	4	J. Smith	23	5	C. Cooke	20	6	K. Anderson	21	7	S. Chella	22	8	K. Welch	24
KF	C. Ventura	20	KF	M. Stilian	20	2	J. Garvey	23	4	S. Filiberto	22	5	R. Cohen	22	6	J. Lindsey	21	7	S. Simon	22	8	A. Breton	23
KF	K. Hynes	19	KF	S. Gillotte	20	2	S. Wrobel	23	4	B. Clasby	22	5	B. Roberts	21	6	S. Walsh	18	7	E. Noel	22	8	T. Floria	24
KF	C. Callahan	19	KF	A. Reardon	21	2	S. Mulloy	23	4	J. Zaroulis	22	5	M. Ellis	22	6	K. Magsarili	22	7	J. Bilodeau	22	8	W. Fabiano	23
KF	K. Buck	19	KF	A. McCarthy	19	2	T. Enos	22	4	C. Gagne	22	5	T. Cutrona	22	6	K. Romano	20	7	L. Nastari	21	8	J. Diprima	23
KF	S. Paradis	19	KF	H. Grace	19	2	L. Rainsford	23	4	L. Callahan	22	5	C. Cremin	22	6	J. Mrozowski	19	7	C. Bilodeau	21	8	D. Shao	22
KF	A. Collette	19	KF	A. Cameron	20	2	J. Taggart	22	4	K. Conrad	23	5	N. Calvino	21	6	C. Melly	20	7	C. Edwards	23	8	M. Gillespie	23
KF	*J. Murphy		K	*A. Taylor		2	M. Engelken	19	4	M. Barbato	22	5	L. Tierney	22	6	J. Gillespie	20	7	D. Graaskamp	21	8	C. Gagnon	23
			K/1	*K. Westaway		2	A. Spatola	22	4	K. Russo	21	5	K. Bruff	21	6	A. MacMullin	20	7	K. Johnston	23	8	N. Flood	24
1	K. Rodgers	22	1	L. Broderick	20	2	C. Spinali	22	4	J. Selissen	22	5	R. Shirkoff	18	6	R. Curley	22	7	N. Camuso	19	8	J. Hammers	23
1	E. Niles	22	1	K. Carleton	22	2	J. Middleton	21	4	V. Schaefer	22	5	T. McNeil	22	6	N. Zwirek	21	7	F. Rouff	23	8	K. Deveau	23
1	B. Decarolis	24	1	E. Killeen	20	2	S. Armano	22	4	M. Price	22	5	P. Shirkoff	23	6	G. Martel	21	7	M. Scully	21	8	E. Caron	23
1	J. Price	23	1	L. Tramonte	19	2	H. Springer	21				5			6								
1	A. Whynot	23	1	M. Hirtle	22	2	S. Miranda	21															
1	*R. Langlais		1	K. Scialdone	21	3	K. Valcourt	25	2	*L. Spicer		5/6	*S. Ferrara					7/8	*Camire				
			1	L. Courmoyer	21	3	L. Carlino	21	2	*S. Sansoucie		5/6	*A. Dockham					7/8					
			1	*M. Robinson		3	M. Groux	23	3	*K. Mahoney		5/6											
K/1	*L. Costa					3	J. Lane	22	3	*L. Perelli													
			K/1	*A. Palange		3	A. Trevor	22	4	*J. Kelly													
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PK	M. Hines	20	PK	J. Lockwood	14	3	L. Hyland	21	3/4	*J. Lynch													
PKDLC	R. Casey	4	PK	J. Milligan	22	3	S. Turgeon	23	DLC	*M. Irwin													
PKDLC	M. Welch	3	PK	P. Young	24	3	S. Sadler	22	DLC	*R. Price													
EXTPK	L. Iannacci		PKDLC	M. Smith	5	3	N. DeVincen	22	DLC	*C. Griffin													
EXTPK	S. Mulvaney		PKDLC	C. Strickler	5	3	M. McGrath	22															
300			355			551			265														

\*Denotes Special Ed classes where students at different grade levels may exist

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