Happy New Year and thanks for a nice week!

Weekly Flyers: Newsletter 1.5.24.pdf

We will be sending out form letters related to attendance in the near future. If your child has missed more than ten days of school, excused or non-excused, you will most likely receive one of these letters. Do not panic if you receive one! We understand that there are extended illnesses and family responsibilities that come up. These letters are just a reminder to maintain consistent attendance going forward.

District policy and definitions related to attendance and truancy are found here:

<u>https://www.waterfordschools.org/board\_members/district\_policies/policies/series\_5000\_-</u> <u>\_students</u>

PRESCHOOL LOTTERY NEWS:

Lottery Entrance Form -

<u>https://www.waterfordschools.org/cms/one.aspx?pageId=24893843</u>. The lottery will run from January 4 until February 9, 2024 and families will be notified by March 1, 2024.

Have a great weekend!



Oswegatchie Elementary School Newsletter

470 Boston Post Road, Waterford, CT 06385 Phone: 860-442-4331 Fax: 860-447-6261 osw.waterfordschools.org



#### **JANUARY 5, 2024**



<u>SAVE THE DATE:</u> JAN. 10 & 11—SCOLIOSIS SCREENINGS FOR 5TH GRADE GIRLS JAN. 15—NO SCHOOL—MLK JR. DAY JAN. 17— BOE SPECIAL MEETING ABOUT SCHOOL SECURITY—OSW CAFÉ 6:30PM JAN. 24—OSO MEETING 5:15PM JAN. 26—OSO MOVIE NIGHT 6:30PM

Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'

Joseph Macrino Principal jmacrino@waterfordschools.org Kathy Kerwin Secretary kkerwin@waterfordschools.org Wendy Doyon School Nurse wdoyon@waterfordschools.org Dear Parent or Guardian,

School Hours 8:25 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.

Scoliosis screenings for female students in Grade 5 will be starting on Wednesday and Thursday, January  $10^{th} \& 11^{th}$  2024.

Simply stated, Scoliosis is a sideways curvature of the spine. In it's early years, it is painless and appears gradually, especially during the early teenage years. Approximately 7 to 10% of children in this age group develop Scoliosis, and 2 to 3 % will require treatment. If the condition is detected early and appropriately treated, spine deformity can be prevented. The procedure for screening is simple. The school nurse will inspect the student's spine as she stands and bends forward. If your child has a possible curvature, you will be notified immediately and it will be recommended that you take your child to your family physician, pediatrician, or an orthopedist for further examination.

If you do not wish to have your child screened at school, please contact the Nurse directly @860-442-4331, or in writing @ wdoyon@waterfordschools.org prior to the screening date.

<u>Also, a note for all parents:</u> Please provide and maintain a complete and seasonally appropriate change of clothing for your child in school at all times. The Health Room CANNOT be responsible to provide or support your child in this matter.

Cold weather is here and your child is outside for recess and a variety of school activities. It is suggested they have a warm jacket, as well as a set of gloves/mittens and a hat when in school.

If you need any assistance in providing these items for your child, please reach out to the Health Room and/or School Social Worker Aja Filardi directly.

Thank you, Wendy Doyon RN School Nurse



# <u>Emergency School</u> <u>Closings &</u> <u>DELAYED OPENINGS</u>



Emergency school closings and/or delayed openings are announced through our automatic notification system School Messenger (phone, email and text), via social media on the Waterford Public Schools website <u>www.waterfordschools.org</u> and X @WPS\_CT and on the following radio and television stations. Early dismissals are announced by 11:00 A.M.

### **TELEVISION**

- WFSB-TV Channel 3 WTNH-TV Channel 8
- WVIT-TV Channel 30
- FOX CT Channel 6



RADIO WCTY 97.7 FM WRCH 100.5 FM WKNL 100.9 FM WNLC 98.7 FM WTIC 96.5 FM WZMX 93.7 FM WTIC 1080 AM WICH 1310 AM



## Happy New Year 2024!

### We are in Planning Mode ....

Wed, Jan 24, 5:15pm OSO Meeting (in Library and Zoom—bring your ideas!)

Jan 26, 6:30pm—Movie Night (kids will pick from a list)

Week of Feb 5th—SteveSongs of PBSkids comes to OSW!

Feb 8, 5:30-7:30pm—Science Night (Details TBD)

March 1, 6:30—Movie Night March 3, 12:30-2:30—Pool Time (Details TBD)

We will need parent volunteers for most these events. Look for SignUp Genius soon!

Find "Oswegatchie School Organization" on Facebook and "Like" the OSO

Look for our Seed Sale fundraiser for Garden in your child's folder. The Garden Committee is starting with planning & design of new outdoor classroom! Email OSO if you want to join the email list for updates. We are looking for skills in carpentry and design!



The Oswegatchie School Organization (aka "PTA") is open to any parent, guardian or other caregiver for a current student attending Oswegatchie School. Please contact us if you are interested and feel free to contact us with ideas, thoughts and questions!

Email: oswegatchieschoolorg@gmail.com

Waterford Schools Core Values:

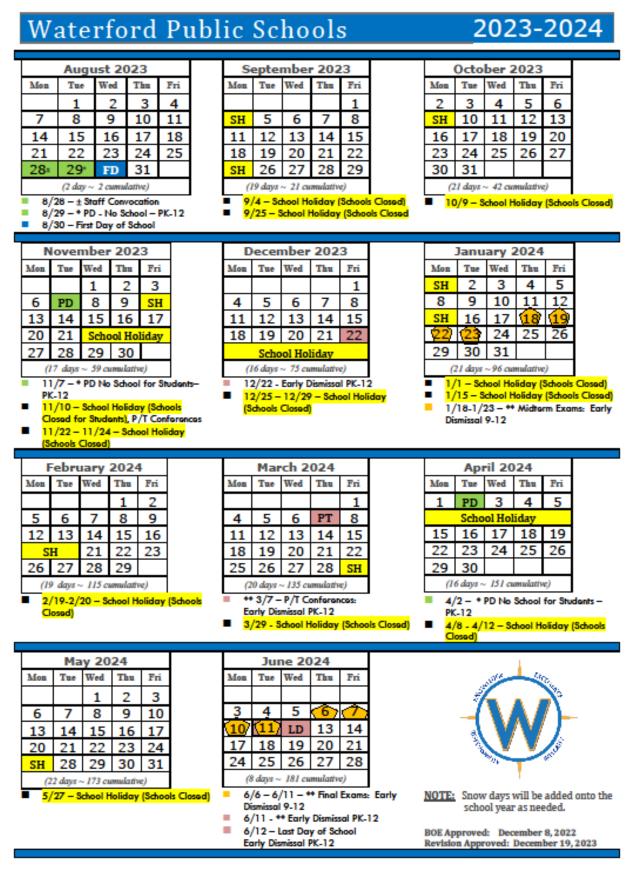
> Excellence Knowledge Integrity Responsibility







## Revised Waterford Public Schools Calendar for the 2023-2024 School Year



± Staff Convocation is for all staff of the Waterford Public Schools

Professional Development is for Administrators, Teachers, Paraprofessionals 8 AM-3 PM

\*\* Full day for Paraprofessionals

## Revised Elementary Letter Rotation Schedule for the 2023-2024 School Year

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#### Youth Winter Reading Challenge

Our Youth Winter Reading Challenge will run from January 8 to February 26. Pick up the sheet for your age group from the Children's Room or print from our website then complete all the fun activities with your family and friends. Turn completed sheets in to the Children's Room for a prize and to be entered into the grand prize raffle. Happy Winter Reading! For ages birth to 18.

Saturday, January 13, 2:00PM - 3:00PM AND Saturday, January 27, 10:00AM - 11:00AM Read to Scout

We are excited to welcome a new certified therapy dog to the library! Come practice your reading skills and give Scout a cuddle in the Children's Room. All ages are welcome, no registration required.

Tuesday, January 16, 4:30PM - 5:30PM Read to Hodges

Stop by the Children's Room anytime between 4:30 and 5:30 pm to read to one of our favorite furry friend, Officer Hodges! No registration required, all ages welcome.

and read books in both English and Spanish. This program is aimed towards birth to five years old, but all families are welcome to attend, no registration required.

Tuesday, January 23, 5:30PM - 6:30PM Bilingual Pajama Storytime

Saturday, January 13, 10:30AM - 11:30AM

Bilingual Family Storytime

Join us for a cozy bilingual pajama storytime! Ms Emy will read books and sing songs in English and Spanish. Feel free to dress comfy and bring your favorite stuffed animal and a blanket. No registration required, this program is aimed towards ages birth to five but all families are welcome to join.

Join us for a special storytime with Ms. Emy! During this interactive and fun filled session, we will sing songs

Thank you to the Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut for providing funding for these programs.

#### Saturday, January 27 , 2:00PM - 4:00PM

Six Pointed Snowflakes

Join Ms. Janice to make some lovely six pointed snowflakes using just wrapping paper and scissors. Ages 5 and up are welcome, no registration required.

Monday, January 29, 4:30PM - 5:30PM Junior Detectives Book Club Calling all aspiring detectives! Bring your favorite mystery book to life with fellow Investigators - you choose the book! We will also make a fun craft. Recommended for ages 6 to 8 years old, registration is required.

Mondays, January 8, 22 & 29, 10:30AM - 11:00AM

Family Storytime

Get ready to read and get your wiggles out! Join Ms. Jenna at the library for some fun stories, songs, and dancing. Recommended for ages birth to five years old with a caregiver. No registration is required.











#### DROP IN CRAFTS

Monday, January 8, 4:00PM - 6:30PM Drop In STEM Adventure: STEM Station Join us in the Children's Room between 4:00 and 6:30 pm to explore various STEM kits, that were donated by the local Girl Scouts. Recommended for ages 5 and up, no registration required.

Tuesday, January 9, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Drop In Creation Station



Stop by the Children's Room anytime between 4:00 and 6:00 pm for a fun craft and to get your

creativity flowing! Recommended for ages 5 and up. No registration required.

Monday, January 22, 4:00PM - 6:30PM Drop in Craft: Cardinal Join us in the Children's Room anytime between

4:00 and 6:30 pm to create a Winter Cardinal



Tuesday January 30, 4:00PM - 6:00PM Build Club



up, no registration required.

Stop by the Children's Room anytime between 4:00 and 6:00 pm to build with a variety of STEM sets that we

have! Recommended for ages 4 and older, no registration required.

Thursday, January 25, 4:30PM - 5:30PM DIY Instruments: Thumb Piano Join us to make your very own thumb piano to take home! All supplies provided, for ages 5 and up, registration required.

#### GRAB & GO CRAFTS





Mittens Jan 2 to Jan 19

Hot Chocolate Character Jan 20 to Feb 2

Pick up supplies in the Children's Room to make Grab & Go crafts at home, while supplies last. Step-by-step video tutorial on our Facebook page (@waterfordpubliclibrary).

#### TEEN CORNER

Thursday, January 4, 5:30PM - 7:00PM Craft Night

At this craft night participants will be learning how to knit an ear-warmer using only their fingers! For ages 11 and up, registration required.



Thursday, January 18, 5:30PM - 7:00PM Teen Drop In Craft

Stop into the Teen Area of the library between 5:30 and 7:00 pm to make a fun craft! Ages 12 and up, no registration required.

Monday, January 22, 12:00PM - 2:00PM Mindful Midterms

High school students - stop by the library meeting room between noon and 2:00 pm to hang and destress with your friends. We will have snacks, music, crafts, and a variety of games so you can relax and take a break from studying. No registration required.

#### Friday, January 5, 11:00AM - 12:00PM Toddler Craft: Igloo Join us for a fun-filled crafting session



where the little ones will use their creativity, and fine motor skills to make an Igloo. Mrs. Sharma will start the session with a short story! For ages 3 to 5 years old, no registration is required.

#### Friday, January 12, 11:00AM - 11:45AM Story and Sensory Play

Join Miss Ashlee for a story and then explore multiple sensory stations! Recommended for ages 2 to 5 years old with a caregiver. No registration required.

#### Wednesday, January 17 11:00AM - 11:45AM Toddler Art



This hands on art session is for young ones to explore through process art with the help of their adult. Miss Ashlee will start the session with a short story! For ages 3 to 5 years old,

registration is required.

#### To keep up with all our activities follow us on Facebook and Instagram





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## Waterford Soccer Club

# Spring Registration opens - January 1, 2024

## **Travel League \$100** Born 2010 - 2015 (2009 8th graders) **Rec League \$80** Born 2016 - 2018 **Tykes \$60** Born 2019 - 2020 No Assessments for Spring

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Travel open: 1/1/24 - 3/15/24 \$30 Late fees start: 3/1/24 Travel closes: 3/15/24 Rec open: 1/1/24 - 4/1/24 \$30 Late fees start: 3/15/24 Rec closes: 4/1/24 Tykes open: 1/1/24 (Never closes)

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# **SPRING 2024**

## WATERFORD YOUTH LACROSSE

### **REGISTER ONLINE NOW!**

www.waterfordyouthlacrosse.org

## Grades K-8

Instructional (K-2): \$30 Equipment available to borrow for the season. No USA Lacrosse Membership or Uniform required.

Travel Teams: \$185 \*Includes Uniform\* 10U Grades 3-4

12U Grades 5-6

14U Grades 7-8

\*\*NEW Custom & Personalized Unforms for all Travel Players\*\* \*All travel players must have a valid USA Lacrosse Membership\* www.usalacrosse.com

**REGISTRATION CLOSES ON 2/1** 

Grab your stick and let's dominate the field in the 2024 season!





Recruit a friend...score a WYLA gift!



Follow us @waterfordyouthlacrosse







#### Healthy Snack Provided each class!

Waterford Public School students can take bus from school directly to the Community Center!

Classes fill up quickly, be sure to create a profile using the link below.



#### Dungeons and Dragons

Are you ready to embark on an epic journey filled with mythical creatures, daring quests, and endless adventure? Join our after-school Dungeons & Dragons classes and unleash your imagination in a world of magic and mystery! Throughout the program, you'll learn the art of teamwork and creativity, working with fellow adventurers to overcome challenges, create unforgettable stories, and develop unique characters with their own backgrounds and abilities. Sharpen your critical thinking and

decision-making skills as you face unexpected situations in a dynamic and ever-changing world. Every week, embark on thrilling campaigns filled with epic battles, intriguing NPCs, and epic quests!

- Mondays 4th & 5th Grades [Dismissal-5:45pm]
- Tuesdays Middle School A [Dismissal-5:30pm]
- Wednesday Middle School B [Dismissal 5:30pm]
- Thursday High School [Dismissal—5:00pm]



### FINE ARTS AND ANIME

Unleash your creativity in a captivating artistic journey that blends the best of Western fine arts with the enchanting world of Japanese influence and anime. Our art program is designed especially for middle to high school students, offering a unique opportunity to explore the rich traditions of both worlds while embracing modern pop culture. **Tuesdays Middle School [Dismissal-5:30pm]** 



### MIXED MEDIA ABA

We're calling all elementary schoolers to embark on a vibrant journey into mixed media art! Discover the thrill of combining paint, paper, fabric, and more to breathe life into your imagination. Our expert instructors will guide you through handson projects, from captivating collages to whimsical 3D creations. Boost your creativity, problemsolving skills, and passion for art in this unforgettable artistic adventure. Join now and let the magic of mixed media art unleash your inner artist! **Wednesdays 1st thru 5th grade [Dismissal— 5:30pm]** 



## Cooking with Class

Discover the art of cooking with our Middle School Chef Program! Join our expert chef to learn essential skills, explore flavors, and create delicious meals! Tuesdays: Grades 6th thru 8th. **Tuesdays Middle School [Dismissal—5:30pm]** 



#### Waterford Whiskors: Baking 101

Unleash your baking talents with our Waterford Whiskers Program! Discover the joy of creating sweet masterpieces, gain essential skills, and let your creativity rise to new heights! Tuesdays: Grades 3rd thru 5th

Wednesdays 1st thru 5th grade [Dismissal-5:30pm]

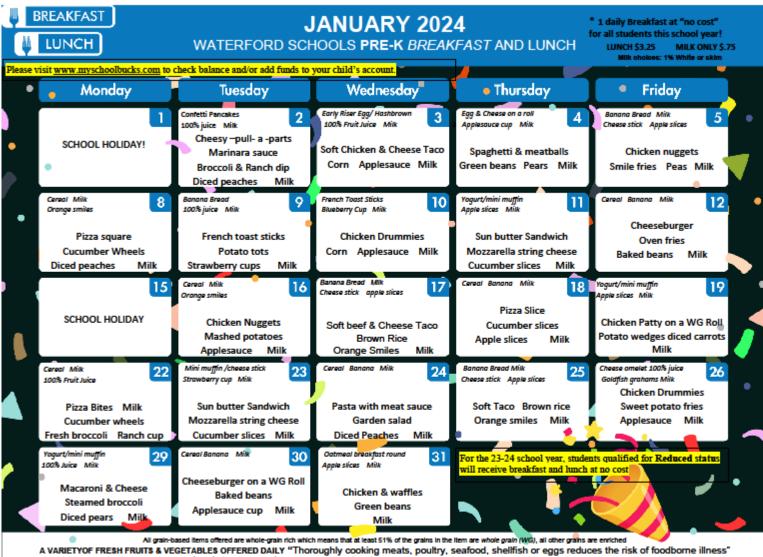
### **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

Create a profile and register here: waterfordyouthfamily.recdesk.com/Community/Home or scan the QR code to the right.



# January <u>Pr€-k</u>

## **BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENU**



Alternate Choice Yogurt Meal available or Alternate Salad meal offered when available (See kitchen manager) Yogurt Meal –Yogurt Meal available or Alternate Salad meal offered when available (See kitchen manager)

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Yogurt Meal - Yogurt, Mozzarela string cheese, baby carrols, craisins, goldins crackets, dinner rol, milk Salad Meal-Garden salad with egg, cheese sok garic knot, truit choice, milk Allergy Warning: Menu items may contain or come in contact with wheat, eggs, soy, nuts, and milk THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

## JANUARY K-12 BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS

BREAKFAST	JANUARY 2024 WATERFORD SCHOOLS K-12			One daily Breakfast at NO charge to all students this 2023- 24school year!	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1 School Holiday!	Confetti Pancakes Or assorted WG Muffins Or oereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	3 Early Riser Egg/ Hashbrown Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	Banana Bread Or assorted WG Muffins Or oereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	
Maple Waffle Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Strawberry cup 100% Fruit Juice	Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	10 French Toast Sticks Or assorted WG Muffins Or oereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	Mini Cinnamon Rolls Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	12 Early Riser Egg /Hashbrown Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	
15 School Holiday!	16 Early Riser Egg/ Hashbrown Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	Goody Breakfast Ring Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	WHS midterm exam Egg & Cheese on a Roll Or assorted WG Muffins Or oereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	WHS midterm exams 19 Maple waffle Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	
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29 WG Blueberry munchkins Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich Or assorted WG Muffins Or cereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit	Cinnamon Oatmeal 31 Breakfast Round Or assorted WG Muffins Or oereal Choice Milk Fresh Fruit 100% fruit Juice	Available daily	assorted cereals and muffins //Fruit & milk included bucks.com to add funds to yo	

(grain-based items offered are whole-grain for which means that at least 0 % of the grains in the item are whole grain (WG), all other grains are enfonced VARIETYOF FRESH FRUITS OFFERED DAILY "Thoroughly cooking meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs reduces the risk of foodborne illness" Allergy Warning: Menu items may contain or come in contact with wheat, eggs, soy, nuts, and milk THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

Please	LUNCH visit <u>www.myschoolbucks.com</u> to to your child's account. Monday		IANUARY 202 TERFORD SCHOOLS Wednesday		LUNCH PRICES Bernentary \$3.25 CLMS \$3.50 WHS \$3.75 *Second Meal=\$4.25 - Adult Meal \$5.00 Friday
•	1 School Holiday	Marinara sauce 2 Cheesy Italian -pull-a-parts Marinara sauce Broccoli with ranch cup Cucumber slices Diced peaches Milk	3 Diced chicken Taco salad Tostitos salsa Golden corn Black beans 100% frozen fruit juice Sidekick Ice Cold Milk	Motional <u>Spaghetti</u> day! Meatballs & sauce Green beans Garlic knot Diced pears Milk	5 Chicken Nuggets Smile fries Peas Warm Dinner roll Applesauce Ice Cold Milk
D	Meatiess Monday: 8 Cheese pizza Square Baby carrots Cucumber wheels Ranch dressing Diced peaches Milk	"Brunch for Lunch" 9 French toast Sticks/syrup Chicken sausage links Potato tots Mango juice Strawberry cup Milk	Chicken tenders Potato wedges Golden Corn Oven baked biscuit Apple sauce Ice Cold Milk	"Italian Combo" 11 Breaded Ravioli Mozzarella sticks Marinara sauce WG Breadstick Green beans Diced pears Milk	Cheeseburger 12 Sandwich salad cup (Lett & Tom) Baked beans Oven fries 100% Frozen fruit juice Sidekick Ice cold Milk
	15 School Holiday	16 "Yangs" Orange chicken Brown Rice Green beans Warm dinner roll Applesauce Milk	Beef & Cheese Tacos Brown Rice Fiesta beans Mini corn muffin Mango juice Milk	WHS exams Big daddy Cheese Pizza Broccoli Cucumber slices Ranch cup Apple slices Lce cold Milk	WHs exams Crispy Chicken patty on a WG Roll Potato wedges Diced Carrots Orange Smiles Milk
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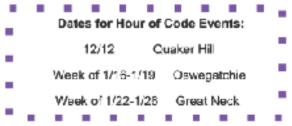
## 2023-24 Hour of Code

Students in grades PreK-5 in Waterford will again be participating in the 2023-24 Hour of Code Event to celebrate Computer Science. Hour of Code is a global movement introducing tens of millions of students worldwide to computer science, inspiring kids to learn more, breaking stereotypes, and leaving



them feeling empowered. We know that whatever field our students choose to go into as adults, their ability to succeed will increasingly depend on understanding how technology works.

More than 100 million students worldwide have already tried an Hour of Code. Our schools are making a statement that Waterford is ready to teach these foundational 21st-century skills. Students will participate in a one-hour introduction to computer science during the school day, designed to demystify code and show that anybody can learn the basics. Coding requires discipline, attention to detail, perseverance, the ability to predict an outcome and problem solving skills. These are skills we want all of our students in Waterford to fully develop.



A website to supplement our event has also been created and will be a resource for age appropriate coding activities during the months of December and January. Students will have access to the site here at school and at home. Students can use the devices they have at home to access the links and videos. We encourage families to join in and code right along with your child/children. The website will be live starting Dec. 1st. You will be able to access it from:

#### Mrs. McCue's District Webpage (Elementary Technology Specialist) \*locate Hour of Code 2023-24 at the top

If you are interested in reading more about the Hour of Code event and the benefits of coding, visit <u>http://hourofcode.com/us</u>.



# Waterford Little League

# Register online now for Spring Little League Season!

We are currently updating our website so to register for the upcoming season please scan the

QR code



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or go to

https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/waterfordct

## 2024 Spring Season Registration fees:

## Majors/Minors - \$150 Coach Pitch - \$100 Co-ed Tee Ball - \$85

Payment Plans available! Family discount for families with 3 or more players. Important Registration Dates:

Majors/Minors \$25 late registration fee begins 1/1 Registration closes 1/15

Coach Pitch \$25 late registration fee begins 2/1 Registration closes 2/15



Please email Registration@wllct.org with any registration questions.





# UPDATED POLICY FOR PURCHASING A CHROMEBOOK CHARGER

Replacement Chromebook chargers for school-issued devices should now be purchased from MySchoolBucks. Once payment has processed, the charger will be delivered to the student's school. Please allow for fee processing and delivery time.



Store

Shop your school for books, clothes, and more.





Replacement Charger

View Details



### INTRODUCING TO FAMILIES OF 4TH - 12TH GRADERS...

The Waterford Public School district is excited to announce its partnership with Securly in safeguarding our students, your children. Securly Home was chosen because we shared a vision of a safer, more productive digital world for our students.

Now parents of students in grades 4-12 can get the same peace of mind when school devices come home. See your child's online activity during after-school hours, pause your child's device, and turn off online access.

Through this partnership, the students of Waterford will be protected everywhere, on any school-issued device. You should have received a welcome email that provided you with instructions on how to download the app and connect with your child's online activity, so please be sure to locate it if you missed it!

Further information about Securly Home can be found on our WPS district website (Technology > One-to-One Device Program Information). There are resources there to help you become more familiar with Securly Home and how to use it.



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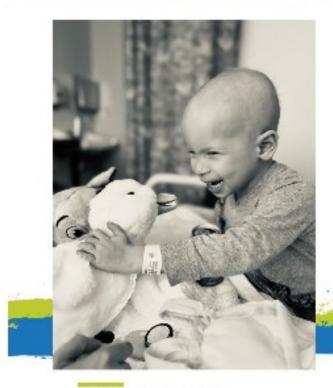
Monitor Your Child's Online Activity During After School Hours



Every year, 18,000 patients are diagnosed with life-threatening blood cancers or other blood disorders that could be cured or treated with a blood stem cell transplant. But 70% of them don't have a fully matched donor in their family. They depend on Be The Match<sup>®</sup> to find an unrelated donor. Adapted from <u>//mv.BeTheMatch.org/strongestbov</u>

The Waterford community, including families within our district (see below), have been impacted by these cancers and are looking to raise awareness regarding the Be The Match<sup>®</sup> program and the need for donors for bone marrow transplants.

Please visit <u>//my.BeTheMatch.org/StrongestBoy</u> for more information on this life saving program and for the process to become a donor.



## YOU COULD BE THE CURE FOR TIAGO

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Join the Be The Match Registry" on behalf of Tiago today!



