Creating Systems & Supports for your Child's Mental Health

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Valuable tools, strategies, and information from middle and high school educators, students, and parents to support your child's transition back to school and throughout the year. Hosted by West Hartford Public Schools and Community of Concern.

RECORDING

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SURVEY

We want your feedback! Please answer a few questions about this program, thanks! https://forms.gle/DjUAFWiECEWqUymq6



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RESOURCES

Back to School Resources, National Alliance for Mental Illness
Teens and Mental Health, National Alliance for Mental Illness

When Should I Seek Help for My Child?

Chris Dutton, Clinical Director of Community and School Services at the WH Bridge Family Services

How can I support you? A teen mental health primer Harvard Graduate School of Education

- WHPS Mental Health Resources
- West Hartford CARES Crisis & Community Resources
- Therapists in Connecticut, Psychology Today
- CT Therapists and Healing Practitioners of Color
- Hartford Area LGBTQ+ Resource List of Therapists, Support Groups, and Hotlines
- Text "HOME" or "AYUDA" to 741741 to connect with a Crisis Counselor

Adopted by Board of Education on May 16, 2023

TOTAL DAYS: 182 First semester - 91 Second semester - 91



School Calendar - 2024-2025

First Semester 91 Days		Second Semester 91 Days	
AUGUST (3)	Important Dates	JANUARY (6)	
M T W TH F	Teacher In-service Days Aug. 26-27	M T W TH F	
19 20 21 22 23 26 27 {28} 29 30	(no school for students)	27 28 29 30 31	
SEPTEMBER (20)	First Day of School Aug. 28	FEBRUARY (18)	
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2 3 4 5 6	Labor Day	3 4 5 6 7	
9 10 11 12 13 16 17 18 19 20	Rosh Hashanah Oct. 3	10 11 12 13 14 17 18 19 20 21	
23 24 25 26 27 30	Indigenous Peoples' Day Oct. 14	24 25 26 27 28	
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28 29 30 31	Veterans Day Nov. 11 (school in session)	31	
NOVEMBER (17) M T W TH F	Thanksgiving Recess Nov. 28-29	M T W TH F	
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4 5 6* 7 8	Holiday Recess Dec. 23-Jan. 1	7 8 9 10 11	
11 12 13 14 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Jan. 20	14 15 16 17 18 21 22 23 24 25	
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23 20 21 28 29	Winter Recess Feb. 17-18 (includes Presidents' Day on Feb. 17)		
DECEMBER (15)	l ' '	MAY (21)	
M T W TH F	Statewide Summative	M T W TH F 1 2	
2 3 4 5 6 9 10 11 12 13	Assessments March-May	5 6 7 8 9	
16 17 18 19 20	Spring Recess April 14-18	12 13 14 15 16	
23 24 25 26 27	(includes Good Friday on April 18)	19 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30	
30 31	Memorial Day May 26	26 27 28 29 30	
JANUARY (15)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	JUNE (8)	
M T W TH F	Last Day of School June 11	M T W TH F	
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	Holiday/Vacation	30	
	* End of Quarter		
	Snow Make-up Days, if needed		
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The last day of school is scheduled for June 11. All snow or emergency days will be made up after this date in order to provide 182 instructional days. School calendars are posted on the West Hartford Public Schools website at www.whps.org

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BACK-TO-Better Screen Time SCHOOL Checklist

KEEP TECH IN CHECK

BETTER

- Create or revisit your family tech plan with your kids.
- Check with school admin about filters they have in place.
- Install filters or confirm filters are working at home.
- Share the EdTech triangle with your school district.

KEEP FAMILY TIES STRONG

- Schedule daily time outdoors.
- Honor screen-free spaces and times.
- Plan screen-free family activities each week.
- Have frequent talks about your family's values.

KEEP HOME HAPPY

- Gather school supplies in one handy location.
- Prepare a <u>distraction-free</u> and happy space for studying.
- Prepare <u>screen-free activities</u> for kids to do during downtime.
- Set up and use a charging station.