

WEYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMMUNITY PARTNERS



Strong Schools  Strong Community



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*Schools in the Community ...
... Community in the Schools*

School—Community Partnership

Our community's strength comes from caring citizens who look after the best interest of everyone in Weymouth. By supporting our children, we are building a bridge to the future – our future. This program has two significant goals; to generate financial support for important programs and activities that cannot be sustained in our current economic climate, and to bring the community-at-large into our schools to see the great things that are happening here. We need your help, and we want to impress you with our commitment to a better future for all of us.

Anyone who is linked together by this common bond – a desire to live and grow in a successful community - can become involved.



*The
Common Bond:*
CHILDREN

Common Bond



“Transforming today’s learners to meet the challenges of tomorrow”

MISSION

The Weymouth Public Schools create a supportive learning community that results in high achieving lifelong learners who actively contribute to society.

VISION

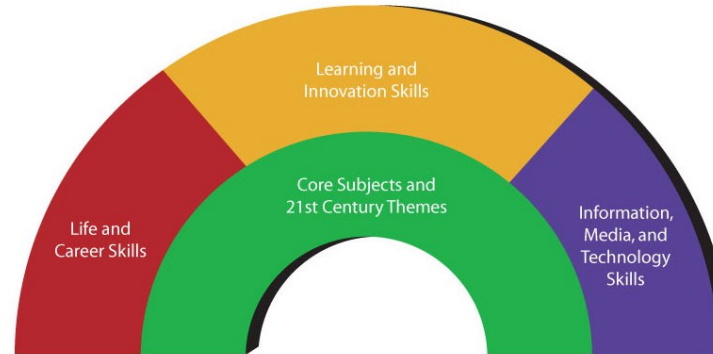
- There will be an identifiable increase in the rigors and expectations for student learning.
- Positive school climate will promote learning.
- The schools will attract and retain highly qualified teachers.
- State of the art technology will enhance student learning, instruction, and system-wide operations.
- Excellent schools will be a major reason people live in Weymouth.
- There will be increased preparation for post-graduate opportunities for students.
- The schools will meet or exceed federal, state and accreditation standards.

VALUES

- The schools respect that all students can and will learn.
- Students benefit from being challenged to reach their maximum potential.
- Students need equity and access to all school programs.
- Student learning benefits from respect and appreciation of the diverse backgrounds of members of the community.
- Students are held responsible for their decisions and actions.
- Advocacy for students is the shared responsibility of student, staff, home, and community.
- Productive learning takes place in emotionally and physically safe environments.
- Decisions in the schools are based upon quantitative and qualitative information.
- Teaching is most effective when instruction addresses differentiated learning styles.
- The district enhances learning with multiple enrichment opportunities beyond the normal school day.

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21st Century Skills



Graphic courtesy of Partnership for 21st Century Skills
The model for 21st Century Skills

By acknowledging “our greatest challenge in education today is to prepare our students for jobs that do not yet exist, to solve problems that have not yet been identified, using skills that have not yet been invented”, WPS anticipates what is necessary to develop qualified adults for the workforce. By using the model above, WPS is striving to incorporate 21st Century Skills to exceed the expectations of employers as shown below.

WHAT EMPLOYERS WANT

What skills are most important for job success when hiring a High School graduate?

Work Ethic	80%
Collaboration	75%
Good Communication	70%
Social Responsibility	63%
Critical Thinking & Problem Solving	58%

Who can participate in a School—Community Partnership?

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Anyone who would like to help students
can be a School-Community Partner.

There are 4 major categories:

- 1. Business**
- 2. Community Organizations**
- 3. Higher Education**
- 4. Individuals**

Some examples include:

Alumni	Healthcare Providers
Boosters	Neighborhood
Business Owners	Associations
Employees	Organizations
Family	Parent Councils
Foundations	Residents
Friends	Staff
Government	Students
Grandparents	Volunteers

*Anyone who cares about the
well being of children!*

Who Can Participate?

Involvement Opportunities

Weymouth Public Schools

Educational Excellence for Every Weymouth Student

VISION:


Educational excellence for every Weymouth student:
Students graduate from Weymouth Public Schools with the academic skills, knowledge and mindsets necessary to succeed in college and career and are prepared to tackle and solve the most important problems in our local and global community.

- College & Career Readiness
- STEM
- Curriculum Enrichment
- Vertical Alignment
- Parent, Family & Community Engagement

[Accelerated Improvement Plan—2013-2016](#)

[Strategy Overview and District Initiatives](#)

Six Types of Parent and Family Engagement

 National Network of Partnership Schools

Keys to Successful Partnerships: Six Types of Involvement



Parenting

Assist families with parenting skills and setting home conditions to support children as students. Also, assist schools to better understand families.



Communicating

Conduct effective communications from school-to-home and from home-to-school about school programs and student progress.



Volunteering

Organize volunteers and audiences to support the school and students. Provide volunteer opportunities in various locations and at various times.



Learning at Home

Involve families with their children on homework and other curriculum-related activities and decisions.



Decision Making

Include families as participants in school decisions, and develop parent leaders and representatives.



Collaborating with the Community

Coordinate resources and services from the community for families, students, and the school, and provide services to the community.

All are necessary for a comprehensive program

Epstein, et. al. 2002. *School, Family, and Community Partnerships: Your Handbook for Action, Second Edition*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Corwin Press, Inc.

http://www.csos.jhu.edu/P2000/nnps_model/school/sixtypes.htm

Involvement Opportunities

- **Career Connections**

- ◆ Job Shadowing
- ◆ Co-op Program
- ◆ Employee Search Aid
- ◆ Guest Speaker
- ◆ Involvement with the Career Tech Department

- **Site Support**

- ◆ Equipment
- ◆ Furniture
- ◆ Materials
- ◆ Supplies

- **Student Support**

- ◆ Mentoring Students
- ◆ Tutoring Students
- ◆ Literacy Support
- ◆ Instructional Support
- ◆ Speaking to Student Groups
- ◆ Sponsoring or Leading a Field Trip
- ◆ Providing Educational Materials

- **Financial Support**

- ◆ Various Levels of Participation Available



WEYs TO CONNECT

- **Academy Sponsorships at Weymouth High School**
 - ◆ Opportunities can be discussed on an individual basis
- **Adopt-A-School**
 - ◆ Sponsor events at the school or your Business Location
 - ◆ Donation of monetary funds and/or items to benefit the school
 - ◆ Interaction with the school students and staff at events such as concerts, activities (ie: field day), classroom projects, etc.
 - ◆ School assemblies to acknowledge your adoption of the school
- **Athletic Signs**
 - ◆ Signage available outside at Football Field or inside Gymnasium
- **Events**
 - ◆ Various opportunities and levels to participate
- **Grants**
 - ◆ Funding opportunities through Corporate, Federal, State, and Foundation Grants as well as individual giving
- **Matching Gift Program**
 - ◆ Monetary and/or Volunteer Donation made by employee and matched by employer
 - * **Participation Levels:** Employee and/or Employer
- **Scholarships**
 - ◆ **Establish a Scholarship unique to your interest**
 - * Provide information and criteria for the scholarship, choice to participate in guideline set-up for selection of recipient and/or presentation to recipient
- **Spirit Merchandise**
 - ◆ Spirit items can be purchased on-line by anyone
 - ◆ Business Partners can carry the product line in their business
 - * Purchases can generate funds for WPS

Involvement Opportunities & Promotional Benefits

Partners provide a dedicated level of support in educating the children of Weymouth. In return, **Partners** receive a variety of promotional benefits, including complimentary tickets to Weymouth Public Schools special events, acknowledgements in Weymouth Public Schools publications and sponsorships to fundraising events. In appreciation and recognition of your valuable contributions, the School-Community Partnership Program offers numerous benefits and acknowledgements.

Featured benefits include:

- A press release highlighting your business/organization's level of commitment
- Business/Organization acknowledgement on the Weymouth Public Schools website, www.weymouthschools.org
- Business/Organization name highlighted in school newsletters, including the district-wide *Weymouth Pride Newsletter*
- Event Sponsorship Opportunities
- Channel 22 Scroll, as appropriate
(Weymouth's Education Information Channel)
- Other Communications, as appropriate

Call to Action

- Consider which level your business/organization would like to participate as a School-Community Partner.
- Contact Weymouth Public Schools at 781-337-7500, x-25201, to initiate your participation at the desired level.
- Watch your contribution make a difference in the education of Weymouth students and the community!

***You** are making a difference in the educational lives of our students and we want everyone in the community to know that, too!
Annual contributions of \$500 or more (monetary and/or in-kind)
enrolls you as a **Partner**.*

*We are happy to help customize your participation.
Thank You for making a difference!*

Involvement Opportunity Levels



M G—Maroon & Gold

Individuals & Families Making A Difference

- ♦ Contribution of \$250 \$100 \$75 \$50 Other



PAW—Prepare A Wildcat

Stepping Toward Tomorrow

- ♦ Annual Contribution of \$500
- ♦ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization



CLAW—Community Loves A Wildcat

Building Our Future

- ♦ Annual Contribution of \$1,000
- ♦ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization



ROAR—Resources Ongoing And Reciprocated

Caring, Sharing and Working Together

- ♦ Annual Contribution of \$2,500
- ♦ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization



Wildcat "WEY" - We Enrich Youth

Linking Public-Private Partnerships Equals Success

- ♦ Annual Contribution of \$5,000
- ♦ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization

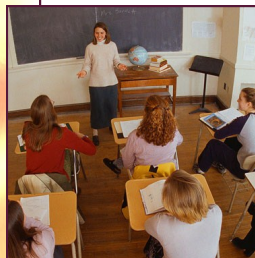
School-Community Partnerships Equal Success



Defining the skills required for young people to be successful in work and life in the 21st Century

- **Core Subjects & 21st Century Themes**
 - ◆ Global Awareness ◆ Civic Literacy ◆ Health Literacy
 - ◆ Financial, Economic, Business & Entrepreneurial Literacy
- **Learning & Innovation Skills**
 - ◆ Creativity & Innovation ◆ Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
 - ◆ Communication & Collaboration
- **Information, Media & Technology Skills**
 - ◆ ICT (Information, Communication & Technology)
 - ◆ Information Literacy ◆ Media Literacy
- **Life & Career Skills**
 - ◆ Flexibility & Adaptability ◆ Initiative & Self Direction
 - ◆ Social & Cross-Cultural Skills ◆ Productivity & Accountability
 - ◆ Leadership & Responsibility

Providing students with authentic learning opportunities in their local communities



Providing teachers with professional development opportunities

- ◆ Expanding mentoring program for new teachers
- ◆ Increasing staff recognition and incentives programs
- ◆ Creating training and educational opportunities for aspiring administrators and future leaders
- ◆ Promoting the concept of all schools as professional learning communities

School-Community Partnerships Equal Success

Supplemental Support

Supplemental Support will benefit efforts to strengthen skills for future citizens through:



Educator Support
Support for
Innovative Academic Initiatives



Professional Development
Support to
Enhance Teaching Expertise
of 21st Century Skills



Technology
Support for
Advancing and Sustaining
Critical Instructional Tools

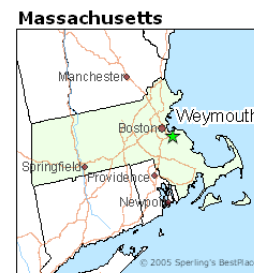


Extra-Curricular Activities
Support for
Athletics and the Arts

Supplemental Support

Demographics

- **Weymouth** is located in Norfolk County, South Shore Region of the Boston Metropolitan area
- It is located 12 miles southeast of Boston
- It covers an area of 21.61 square miles
- Population from the 2010 Census: 53,743



BusinessWeek Magazine has named Weymouth runner-up to Malden as the best place to raise children in Massachusetts

A state by state analysis was done working with OnBoard Information, which is a New York based provider of real-estate analysis. Criteria for the analysis included selecting “towns with at least 50,000 residents and a median family income between \$40,000 and \$100,000. We then narrowed the list of towns using the following weighted criteria: school performance; number of schools; household expenditures; crime rates; air quality; job growth; family income; museums, parks, and diversity. We weighted school performance and safety most heavily, but also gave strong weight to amenities and affordability.” “Moreover, we looked for communities that scored well across the board.”

BusinessWeek Magazine, November 2008
BusinessWeek Magazine, November 2009

Money Magazine ranks Weymouth in Top 100 Best USA Places to Live

2010: 52nd,



Weymouth High School

Weymouth Public Schools:

- 1 Pre-K
- 8 Primary Schools, Grades K-4
- 2 Middle Schools, Grades 5, 6 and 7,8
- 1 High School, Grades 9-12, includes Career Technical Program

Boston Magazine cites Weymouth High School on list of “The Best Public High Schools”

on

Boston Magazine ranked 212 Boston-area public and private high schools for the first time, based on 28 measures, including test scores, class size, and teacher salaries. WPS is ranked **# 7 in the Academic Performance** category and **# 18 in the Cost Efficiency** category. Boston Magazine recognizes WHS is having success on a tight budget. Factors include rich and diverse AP, Honors and Electives programs, per pupil spending, and improvement.

Boston Magazine, September 2008

School Directory

Johnson Early Childhood Center

70 Pearl Street, Weymouth, MA 02191

781-335-0191

Principal: Victoria Silberstein

Pre-School Enrollment: 236

Academy Avenue Primary School

94 Academy Avenue, Weymouth, MA 02189

781-335-4717

Principal: Patrick Higgins

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 358

Hamilton Primary School

400 Union Street, Weymouth, MA 02190

781-335-2122

Principal: Jeremy Burm

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 409

Murphy Primary School

417 Front Street, Weymouth, MA 02188

781-331-2862

Principal: Patrick Costello

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 267

Nash Primary School

1003 Front Street, Weymouth, MA 02188

781-340-2506

Principal: Rebecca Kelly

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 242

Pingree Primary School

1250 Commercial Street, Weymouth, MA 02189

781-337-2974

Principal: Kathleen Guilfooy

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 236

Seach Primary School

770 Middle Street, Weymouth, MA 02189

781-335-7589

Principal: Marianne Weiner

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 388

Talbot Primary School

277 Ralph Talbot Street, Weymouth, MA 02190

781-335-7250

Principal: Kimberly Richards

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 303

Wessagusset Primary School

75 Pilgrim Road, Weymouth, MA 02191

781-335-2210

Principal: Jean McLean

Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 349

Weymouth Middle School, Adams Campus

89 Middle Street, Weymouth, MA 02189

781-335-1100

Principal: Daniel Birolini

Grades 5—6 Enrollment: 981

Weymouth Middle School Chapman Campus

1051 Commercial Street, Weymouth, MA 02189

781-337-4500

Principal: Paul Duprey

Grades 7—8 Enrollment: 978

Weymouth High School

One Wildcat Way, Weymouth, MA 02190

781-337-7500

Principal: Peter Haviland

Grades 9—12 Enrollment: 2,041

Alternative Placements: 222

Total Enrollment: 7,010

Information effective date: 09-5-14

We Are Weymouth:



Residents



**Weymouth
Schools**



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A Community Linked Together as Partners



**Government
and
Services**

WB WEYMOUTH BANK

park Ave
ACE
Hardware

AAA
**Southern
New England**
Businesses



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