

WEYMOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMMUNITY PARTNERS



Strong Schools  Strong Community



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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



“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

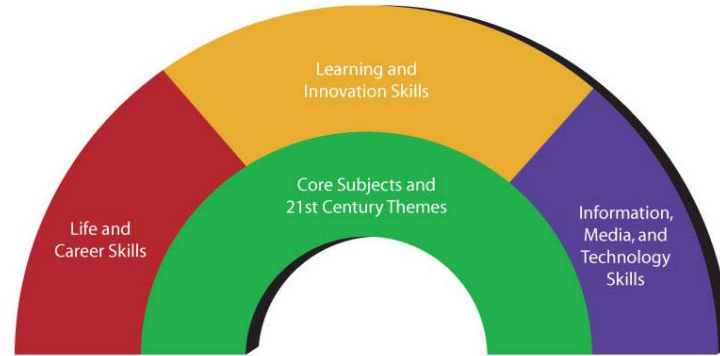
- There will be an identifiable increase in the rigors and expectations for student learning.
- Positive school climate will promote learning.
- The schools will attract and retain highly qualified teachers.
- State of the art technology will enhance student learning, instruction, and system-wide operations.
- 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?

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

Some examples include:

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

Anyone who cares about the well being of children!

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



PAW



CLAW



ROAR



WILDCAT

WEYs TO CONNECT

- **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
- **Events**
 - ◆ Various opportunities and levels to participate
- **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
 - * Every purchase generates 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
- Business/Organization name highlighted in school newsletters, including the district-wide *Weymouth Pride Newsletter*
- Event Sponsorship Opportunities

Call to Action

- Consider which level your business/organization would like to participate as a School-Community Partner.
- Contact Weymouth Public Schools at 781-335-1460, x-319, 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 enrolls you as a **Partner**.

We are happy to help customize your participation.

Thank You for making a difference!

Involvement Opportunity Levels



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Individuals & Families Making A Difference

- ◆ Contribution of \$250 \$100 \$75 \$50 Other
- ◆ 6 Complimentary Tickets to Events including Athletics, Arts, Planetarium & more



PAW—Prepare A Wildcat

Stepping Toward Tomorrow

- ◆ Annual Contribution of \$500
- ◆ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization
- ◆ 20 Complimentary Tickets to Events including Athletics, Arts, Planetarium & more
- ◆ 50% Discount for 2 Adult Education Classes at WHS



CLAW—Community Loves A Wildcat

Building Our Future

- ◆ Annual Contribution of \$1,000
- ◆ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization
- ◆ 30 Complimentary Tickets to Events including Athletics, Arts, Planetarium & more
- ◆ 50% Discount for 4 Adult Education Classes at WHS



ROAR—Resources Ongoing And Reciprocated

Caring, Sharing and Working Together

- ◆ Annual Contribution of \$2,500
- ◆ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization
- ◆ 50 Complimentary Tickets to Events including Athletics, Arts, Planetarium & more
- ◆ 50% Discount for 8 Adult Education Classes at WHS



Wildcat "WEY" - We Enrich Youth

Linking Public-Private Partnerships Equals Success

- ◆ Annual Contribution of \$5,000
- ◆ All Promotional Benefits for your Business/Organization
- ◆ 100 Complimentary Tickets to Events including Athletics, Arts, Planetarium & more
- ◆ 50% Discount for 12 Adult Education Classes at WHS

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

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

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
- Forecasted population for 2009: 56,545



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 52nd in Top 100 Best U.S.A. Places to live in 2010

Money Magazine, July 2010



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"

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 as 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: 327

Seach Primary School
 770 Middle Street, Weymouth, MA 02189
 781-335-7589
 Principal: Deborah St. Ives
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 362

Academy Avenue Primary School
 94 Academy Avenue, Weymouth, MA 02189
 781-335-4717
 Principal: Jennifer Curtis-Whipple
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 293

Talbot Primary School
 277 Ralph Talbot Street, Weymouth, MA 02190
 781-335-7250
 Principal: Michael Oates
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 283

Hamilton Primary School
 400 Union Street, Weymouth, MA 02190
 781-335-2122
 Principal: Susan Kerrigan
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 329

Wessagusset Primary School
 75 Pilgrim Road, Weymouth, MA 02191
 781-335-2210
 Principal: Jean McLean
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 390

Murphy Primary School
 417 Front Street, Weymouth, MA 02188
 781-331-2862
 Principal: Ann Barry
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 307

Adams Middle School
 89 Middle Street, Weymouth, MA 02189
 781-335-1100
 Principal: Daniel Birolini
 Grades 5—6 Enrollment: 1,045

Nash Primary School
 1003 Front Street, Weymouth, MA 02188
 781-340-2506
 Principal: Susan Nutting
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 283

Chapman Middle School
 1051 Commercial Street, Weymouth, MA 02189
 781-337-4500
 Principal: Kathleen Sheridan
 Grades 7—8 Enrollment: 1,041

Pingree Primary School
 1250 Commercial Street, Weymouth, MA 02189
 781-337-2974
 Principal: Marianne Weiner
 Kindergarten—4th Grade Enrollment: 246

Weymouth High School
 One Wildcat Way, Weymouth, MA 02190
 781-337-7500
 Principal: Laura Stevenson
 Grades 9—12 Enrollment: 2,061

Alternative Placements: 157

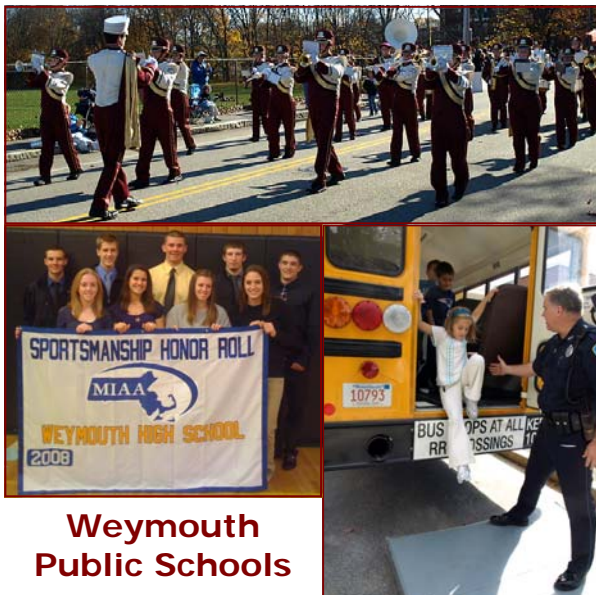
Total Enrollment: 7,068

Information effective date: 09-01-10

We Are Weymouth:



Residents



A Community Linked Together



Government and Services

WB WEYMOUTH BANK

NEW YORK LIFE
THE COMPANY YOU KEEP®

Park Ave ACE Hardware

Businesses



We Are Weymouth: A Community Linked as Partners



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