

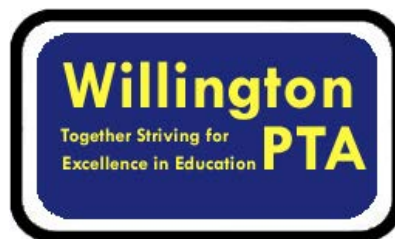


THE COOKIES AND SOUPS ARE COMING!!!!

Delivery scheduled for Monday, December 8th – Center School

Our Otis Spunkmeyer cookie dough and Soul Warming soups fundraiser will be delivered next Monday to Center School. Pick ups may be done anytime between 12:30 – 4PM. After this time, all cookie dough will need to be picked up at the town library during normal business hours (M-W-F 11-5; T-Th 11-8, and Sat 9-3).

As always, thank you for your continued support of the Willington PTA. Happy Holidays!!!



Questions: Contact Gianna Stebbins at 860-218-4904

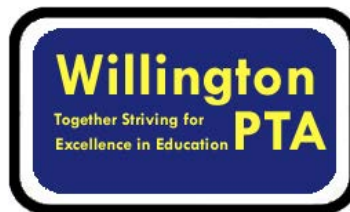


THE WILLINGTON PTA IS HOSTING ITS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS COOKIE
TEACHER AND STAFF BUFFET AT CENTER AND HALL SCHOOLS ON
THURSDAY DECEMBER 18TH.

CALLING ON ALL BAKERS TO BAKE UP A BATCH OF COOKIES OR YOUR
FAVORITE HOLIDAY TREAT.

PLEASE SIGN UP AT WILLINGTONCTPTA@GMAIL.COM
SUZYQUE_2@CHARTER.NET OR TEXT TO SUE AT 860-377-4219 BY
DECEMBER 15TH

TREATS MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT EITHER SCHOOL BY 10 AM



THANKS FOR HELPING AND HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY!

ASRC (Autism Services and Resources Connecticut)

and

Success Special Education PTO

present

A Saturday Seminar Series: Parent Advocacy Boot Camp

Session 1: Sat. Oct. 11, 2014: *The Basics: what is autism, autism and adolescence – the dual diagnosis. What do I need to know to help my child? What does a good program look like? How do I get resources and services?*

Session 2: Sat. Oct 18, 2014: *Learn the IEP: a step by step guide to the document. What is an IEP and why is it important? What information should be in the IEP? Writing an effective IEP. Bring YOUR IEP for review and comment.*

Session 3: Sat. Nov. 8, 2014: *Transition to Adulthood, Part One: OMG! Legal and Financial Aspects. What happens when your teen becomes an adult, estate planning, state and federal benefits, guardianship, conservatorship, how the adult system works.*

Session 4: Sat. Dec. 13, 2014: *Transition to Adulthood, Part Two: Making a plan, IEP decisions, vocational and educational options and choices, teaching independent life skills, community access.*

All sessions held at

Wilmington Public Library
7 Ruby Road
Wilmington, CT
Community Room, Lower Level
11:00 am – 2:00 p.m.

\$25/session or register for all four for \$75
Lunch provided!

For more information and registration, call ASRC at 203-265-7717 or e-mail sara@autismconnecticut.org

Intended audience: parents, caregivers, guardians, grandparents. Presentation and materials based on children with autism spectrum disorders but applicable to all children with special needs. Questions? Contact Sara Reed, Director, Advocacy and Family Services, ASRC at 203-265-7717 or sara@autismconnecticut.org.



**ASRC 2014 SATURDAY SEMINAR SERIES:
PARENT ADVOCACY BOOT CAMP REGISTRATION FORM (Willington)**

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Fee: \$25.00/session or attend all FOUR for \$75.00

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____, **State** _____ **Zip** _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: (home): _____ **(cell):** _____

Age of your ASD child: _____

Registration: (please check which program you are interested in attending)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>The Full Four Workshop Series:</i> | \$75.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Workshop #1: The Basics: Sat. Oct. 11, 2014</i> | \$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Workshop #2: The IEP: Sat. Oct. 18, 2014</i> | \$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Workshop #3: Transition to Adulthood: Part One: Sat. Nov. 8, 2014</i> | \$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Workshop #4: Transition to Adulthood: Part Two: Sat. Dec. 13, 2014</i> | \$25.00 |

Total Amount Paid: \$ _____

Payment Information: I am enclosing a check for \$ _____ payable to ASRC

I would like to charge my VISA _____ MC _____ Discover _____

Credit Card No: _____ **Name on the card:** _____

Expiration Date: _____ **Three digit number on back of card:** _____

Mail Completed Registration Form and Payment To:

For more information or questions contact:

ASRC
101 North Plains Industrial Road
Harvest Park, Building 1A
Wallingford, CT 06493
203-265-7717

Sara Reed, Director, Advocacy and Family Services
ASRC
203-265-7717 or sara@autismconnecticut.org

About the presenters:

Sara Reed, Director, Advocacy and Family Services, ASRC. Prior to 2012, she was Executive Director of ASCONN and has been a volunteer and Board Member of ASCONN since 1995. A former securities and health care lawyer, she has also worked as a special education advocate helping parents advocate for more appropriate services for their kids with ASD. At ASRC, she oversees the advocacy training programs, provides workshops on autism and issues relating to autism and special education and advocacy and works directly with families, teachers, professionals and the general community. She sits on many boards and committees working on autism issues and has presented locally and nationally. Sara is a life long CT resident and lives in Plainville with her husband and son.

Visit ASRC on the web at www.autismconnecticut.org

Understanding Special Education Evaluations

Using Assessments to Identify Appropriate Services for Individuals with Complex Learning Needs



Success Special Education PTO

Wednesday, December 17 · 6:30 pm

This presentation by Courtney Cotter Ph.D. will review common assessments that are given to children with complex learning needs and explain the information obtained from them. Information about interpreting the results will also be reviewed.

Dr. Cotter is a licensed psychologist, Board Certified Behavior Analyst, and the Assistant Director of School Based Consultative Services. She provides psychological evaluations and direct school consultation services to complex learners, as well as helping to oversee school consultation services to develop capacity for educating learners with complex learning needs.

All are welcome to attend!

Willington Public Library, 7 Ruby Road, Willington

6:30 to 8:00 pm

Refreshments will be served!

Email info@successsepto.org or call with any questions:

Cathy Britschock 860-429-8333

Brenda Stenglein 860-429-1059

Facebook: SuccessSEPTO



**Success Special Education
Parent Teacher Organization
Serving Northeast Connecticut
www.successsepto.org**

Member of the Connecticut Special Education PTO Alliance



Sensitive Santa

*On Sunday, December 14th
from 8:30am-10:30am*

Westfield Malls in Connecticut:

- *Westfield Connecticut Post, Milford*
- *Westfield Trumbull*
- *Westfield Meriden*

will be hosting "Sensitive Santa," an opportunity for children with autism and other special needs (and their siblings) to visit with Santa in a more soothing, sensory-friendly environment than a typical mall environment during the Holiday Season.

Volunteers from The Autism Project at The Kennedy Center will be providing structured, sensory activities for children while they wait.

Each mall is limiting reservations to 30 families and must register in advance.

Make your reservation by registering online at:

Connecticut Post: <http://ctpostsensitivesanta.eventbrite.com/>

Meriden: <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/sensitive-santa-tickets-14579364271>

Trumbull: <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/sensitive-santa-tickets-14577253959>

During "Sensitive Santa," families will enjoy a quiet visit with Santa supported by no overhead mall radio or audible music from nearby stores, no long lines, and lower shopper traffic.

Regular packages & pricing from Cherry Hill Photo apply, ranging from \$22-\$47, and including a \$10-\$20 Shutterfly Gift Card as your FREE gift with purchase.

Please note: Childcare is not provided as part of the event experience. Parents/grandparents/caregivers should remain with their children at all times.

Established in 2006, The Autism Project at The Kennedy Center supports children and adults with autism spectrum disorders and their families. This program provides information referral and resources; family support and service coordination; behavioral services; and services for unmet needs within the community.

The Kennedy Center is an internationally accredited, non-profit, community-based rehabilitation organization that currently serves over 2,400 individuals annually. The agency actively responds to the needs of the community by innovative, comprehensive service options to persons with disabilities and special needs, from birth to senior years. The Kennedy Center operates 26 community experience programs, 16 group homes, an industries program composed of six businesses, supported and competitive employment and job services, a family support and respite service, travel training, and a variety of children's programs.

[Visit www.thekennedycenterinc.org](http://www.thekennedycenterinc.org)





Save The Date & Join Us!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014
5:30 - 8:30 PM

E. O. Smith Girls Basketball
Dinner Fund Raiser

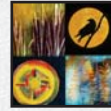
Track Nine Diner & Restaurant
12 Tolland Turnpike, Willington CT

**Food, Beverage & Fun ~ Players are Wait Staff;
Tips & A Raffle Supports The Team**

THE
MILL WORKS

156 River Road | Willington, CT 06279
518.791.9474 | info@themillworks.us

First Sunday Weekend at The Mill Works!



Saturday, December 6th ~ 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

10:00am~5:00pm	Self-Guided	<i>Open Studios, Gardiner Hall, Jr. Museum, Factory Tours</i>
10:00am~5:00pm	Self-Guided	<i>Exhibit: Art Quilts for the Wall: Melanie Johnston & Joan Blade Johnson</i>
11:00am~12:00pm	Rachel Surridge	<i>A Demonstration of Dance: Join this very talented instructor as she shares a series of dance demonstrations.</i>
12:45pm~1:00pm	Friends of The Mill Works	<i>Overview: Friends of The Mill Works, Gardiner Hall, Jr. Museum at The Mill Works, First Sunday Series, and The Packing House</i>
1:00pm~2:00pm	Young Artist Series	<i>Hall Memorial School Middle School Students: Select Chorus and Instrumental Ensemble with Jason Phillips and Lauren Quinn</i>
?	Surprise Guest	<i>You Better Be Good...</i>
3:00pm~4:30pm	Curtis Brand	<i>A Musical Collaboration: Join singer-songwriter, Curtis Brand and friends... heartfelt stories told with a guitar</i>



Sunday, December 7th ~ Noon - 5:00 p.m.

Noon~5:00pm	Self-Guided	<i>Open Studios, Gardiner Hall, Jr. Museum, Factory Tours</i>
Noon~5:00pm	Self-Guided	<i>Exhibit: Art Quilts for the Wall: Melanie Johnston & Joan Blade Johnson</i>
1:00pm~2:00pm	Rachel Surridge	<i>A Demonstration of Dance with Rachel Surridge</i>
1:00pm~2:30pm	Chris Gunderson & Pam Wheeler	<i>Deck the Halls: Create beautiful seasonal decorations with Chris and Pam (children from 5 to 95)</i>
2:00pm~3:30pm	Jack Broderick	<i>A Painting Demonstration: Established plein-air/studio painter, Jack Broderick, will share a variety of techniques and stories...</i>
2:45pm~3:00pm	Friends of The Mill Works	<i>Overview: Friends of The Mill Works, Gardiner Hall, Jr. Museum at The Mill Works, First Sunday Series, and The Packing House</i>
3:00pm~3:45pm	Dick Symonds	<i>History of Hall's Mill, The Influence of Gardiner Hall, Jr.</i>
3:00pm~5:00pm	Rosemary Toth & Mark Cadman	<i>A Musical Collaboration: Rosemary and Mark are back to share their acoustic sounds and Holiday highlights!</i>



Willington Nursery Coop's Annual
Children's Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, Dec. 6th
Old Town Hall
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

11:00 a.m. - H.M.S. Select Chorus
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Pictures with Santa

**Bake Sale ~ Children's Store ~
Games and Crafts ~ Wreaths for Sale**



Friends of the
Willington Public Library's
3rd Annual

Craft Fair
& Bake Sale

Saturday, December 6, 2014
9:00 AM- 2:00 PM

Willington Public Library
Community Room
7 Ruby Road, Willington, CT 06279

Be sure to stop by and check out the wide variety of crafts created by our vendors! It's a perfect time to start (or finish) some holiday shopping!



*Come one and all,
Share the joy of this holiday season
with family, friends, and neighbors!*

Community Holiday Open House Celebration

*Saturday, December 13, 2014
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM*

**Willington Public Library
7 Ruby Road
Community Room**

There will be plenty of holiday cheer, a visit from Santa, a Carol Sing with Jason Phillips and the Hall Memorial School Chorus, and enjoy some homemade cookies provided by the Willington Willing Workers 4H Club!

In the Holiday spirit of giving, we ask that you bring an item(s) to support our local food bank.



Boy Scouts of Willington, CT

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**Breakfast with Santa
December 13th
Willington Hill Fire House
24 Old Farms Rd
Willington**

**Come join the Boy Scouts
for an impeccable breakfast with explosive service.**

Seating times:

1st 8:00 am

2nd 9:00 am

**Bring your family.
Tell your co-workers, friends and neighbors.**

Pricing:

Adults over 10 - \$6.00

Young people 10 and under - \$4.00

All of the proceeds will be donated to the

HOLE IN THE WALL GANG CAMP