



Weekly Message from
North Canaan Elementary School
January 24, 2025

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Upcoming events:

- **January 29** NCES Literacy Night
- **February 4** National Iron Bank, Student Banking Day
- **February 5** [PTO Meeting](#), 6:30 pm (at school or [virtual](#))
- **February 11** Board of Education meeting, NCES library
- **February 14** 12:10pm dismissal, Teacher Professional Development
- **February 17 - 18** No School, February Break
- **February 19** No School, Regional Professional Development

A Message from Superintendent: *I want to express my gratitude to the many individuals who participated in the School Security Survey. We had 843 participants across the Region, reflecting the community's strong commitment to our schools' safety and well-being. Each Board of Education has reviewed the survey results during their January meetings. Over the coming months, the local Boards will continue to analyze their findings and determine the next steps for their respective communities. Thank you again for your engagement and valuable input.*

[Survey Results](#)

[North Canaan Elementary Parent Survey](#)

Outdoor Recess Reminder: The winter weather has arrived! Please make sure your child has a winter jacket for recess. If you are in need of a coat, we have some available in the office.

[NCES Literacy Night](#): Join us on Wednesday, January 29th from 5:30 pm to 7 pm. Please click on the link for more information.

[Take Your Child to the Library Day](#): Saturday, February 1st from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Douglas Library. Please click the link for more information.

♥ [Someone Special & Me Dance](#) ♥ : Saturday, February 8th from 5 pm to 7 pm at North Canaan Elementary School. All proceeds benefit the North Canaan AHA After School Program. Please click the link for more information and to purchase tickets.

[NCES School Store](#): The NCES online store will be open through February 9th. Purchases will be sent to the school. Proceeds will benefit the 8th grade class trip to Washington, DC. Please click the link for ordering information.



Schools across the region and state are experiencing a significant increase in influenza cases this month. We remind parents and students that anyone exhibiting flu-like symptoms should stay home. Students should **remain home until they are symptom-free for at least 24 hours without medication**. Symptoms to watch for include fever, vomiting, and other digestive issues. Please contact our Main Office to report a student's absence or if you have any questions about our attendance policy.

[Brooker Memorial Pediatric Dental Services](#): Brooker Memorial Pediatric Dental Center is offering Dental Cleanings, Oral Health Screenings, Fluoride and Sealants at North Canaan Elementary School. The program is open to all Pre-K to 8th grade students at no cost to your family. If you would like your child to receive preventive dental care through this program, simply fill out the attached forms and return them to the school nurse. If you need a hard copy, please contact the office and we will send it home with your child.

[Canaan Kids Artspace](#): A creative initiative aimed at engaging children in hands-on, eco-friendly art projects. A mobile organization offering free workshops and events to inspire creativity and community among local youth. Please click the link for more information and to register.

[NWCT Steve Blass Little League](#): Spring registration is now open. Please click the link for registration details.

Upcoming Hotchkiss Opportunities: Click the links to learn how you can participate in activities happening at Hotchkiss:

[Kids Coding Bootcamp](#)

[Chess Classes](#)

[Women in STEM](#)

[Girls Who Code](#)

[Junior Ink](#)

[AHA Program](#): There are a few spaces available at AHA after school. If you are interested in signing your child up, please click the link for more information.

[Boxtops for Education](#): Click the link for more information on how to earn free money for our school.

Enjoy the weekend,

Mrs. Johnson

NCES Principal