

12/11/22

Good afternoon Eli Family,

As I sit here watching the snow gently fall, my biggest concern is always safety for all. We will decide in the morning as we are always unsure of conditions until the early morning. As mentioned below, we will send an announcement via Parent Square and on local tv stations. We have spirit weeks coming up with different themes for each day. We are always mindful to support all religions in this holiday season.

- We continue to recruit for parents/guardians to become members of our PFA, the parent faculty association (PTO). If you are interested, please email Ms.
 Marrero at caro.marrero@cttech.org
- The National Honors Society is sponsoring a Toy Drive for The Yale Children's Hospital (Yale Toy Box). We are collecting toys until the drop off on 12/19.
- We are also collecting socks for a local organization as well.
- Sophomores and seniors will be working with the Empower leadership skills team this week.
- Congratulations to 10 of the Precision Machining Technology juniors on getting the Haas Mill certified operator credential!!! A special congratulations to Keon-trai for completing both Haas Mill and Lathe certified operator!!! Great job to Mr. Roettger and Mr. AmEnde in preparing our students!





• Thank you to Mrs. Dedmond for coordinating Eli Whitney Tech's tree donation to the Ronald McDonald House of New Haven's annual Trees of Hope event. The theme this year is **Happy Owldays**. This could not have happened without the help and donations from some very special people. Thank you to Ms. Santell, Ms. Willis, and Chef Armstrong for joining Mrs. Dedmond and her family in setting up and decorating the tree. Thank you to Mrs. Ruggerio [Ms. Willis' mom], Miss Annabelle, and Miss Grace for help decorating the tree and making a couple of ornaments.







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 Here is the link for the December issue of the gazette. Thanks again to the AMAZING Gazette Team:

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- Here is a link to the Eli Whitney Tech Instagram page.
 https://www.instagram.com/eli whitney-tech/
- Here is a link to the Facebook group.
 https://www.facebook.com/WhitneyTech
- Daily attendance is important as it prepares you for professionalism in
 the workplace or college. Chronic attendance occurs when you have 2 or
 more absences in a month. Achieving ten unexcused absences places
 you in the chronic absentee category and may lead to credit denial.
 Communication is important for all absences, notes should be submitted
 as well. Contact the Dean of Students with questions or concerns,
 Mr. LeSieur, chris.lesieur@cttech.org
- As the Eli Whitney students have been extremely cooperative in the educational process, we have had numerous situations with student

disagreements. As mentioned before and in the handbook, **fighting is not an acceptable form of disagreement**. Also, students should not

carry knives, pepper spray, or any facsimile weapons. Communicate with

the school counselors, teachers, administration, or SRO if aware of a

potential issue or if a student needs to talk to someone.

- If you see something, say something. A physical altercation or possession of the aforementioned can lead to out-of-school suspension, expulsion, and/or arrest.
- While attending sporting events, FANS must be respectful to all. No
 inappropriate comments should be made. FANS are not FANATICS. Avoid
 making inappropriate comments, as that will lead to limited spectators.
 Be respectful and make Eli proud!
- We are starting the basketball season, please see the schedule below.
 Let's have a great, positive season!! Go Owls!!!

HOME BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	TEAM	START TIME	TEAM
12/13 Tues	Obrien	V 4	girls

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12/20 Tues	Wolcott	Jv 4:30 V 6	boys
12/21 WED	Terryville	Jv 4:30 V 6	boys
12/27 Tues	Holiday Tourney Eli, Westbrook, Wright and Rocky Hill	2р/4р	boys
12/28 Wed	Holiday Tourney	2p/4p	boys
1/3 Tues	Wilcox	V 4	girls
1/6 FRI	Platt	F 4 Jv 5:30 V 7	boys
1/9	East Windsor	V 3:30	girls
1/13 FRI	Obrien	Jv 4:30 V 6	boys

1/17 Tues	Abbott	V 4:30	girls
1/20 FRI	Wright	V 4:00	girls
1/24 TUES	Wilcox	F 4 Jv 5:30 V 7	boys
1/27 FRI	Platt	V 4	girls
2/1 WED	Bullard Havens	V 4	girls
2/7 TUES	Kaynor	V 4	girls
2/10 FRI	Bullard Havens	F 4 Jv 5:30 V 7	boys
2/14 TUES	Ellis	Jv 4:30 V 6	boys

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<u>2/20</u> <u>Holiday Mon</u>

<u>Career</u>

Jv 4:30

boys

<u>V 6</u>

Dress code remains the same, no crocs, midriffs, or pants with holes.
 Pajama's should not be worn. The attire must be appropriate. Once again, IDs must be worn at all times.





- Cell phones may be used at the discretion of the teachers in class. Don't be distracted! Recording of other students and adults is not permitted.
 We will be reviewing the policy to reduce the interruption of learning time.
- As we have transitioned into the WINTER season, if we need to cancel school we will announce school closures in ParentSquare, and post on

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the following TV stations, CH3-WFSB, CH 61 Fox, CH8 WTNH, and CH30

WNBC.

Social-emotional message from Mrs. Becton, school social worker. There are

several other awareness days in this month such as HIV/AIDS and Universal

Human Rights. Our December SEL word is social-awareness. Social-

awareness is perspective-taking, recognizing strengths in others, showing

empathy, compassion, concern and respect for others, and appreciating

diversity. For many, December is a time to get together with our loved ones

and friends. Let's practice social-awareness by being inclusive and making

sure that everyone feels connected, supported, valued, and respected in

our personal and professional circles. Happy Holidays!

Let's work together to make Eli Whitney the best and safest school for trade

and college preparation!

Have a great week,

Mr. DiNatale

Principal