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JANUARY
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The weather chills, the frost thickens, and snow is finally on the ground. But what's new? The year! 2026 starts off cold, and us students head back to school. Midterms are in a few weeks, the formal is in a month, and summer is forever away. It's no longer very pleasant to go for a walk, so we sit by a fire and do our homework. Hot chocolate (with marshmallows!), thick sweaters, and multiple layers; cozy as can be. Build a snowman with your family, or maybe huddle together for a movie. Whatever it takes to connect, to warm your heart in these cold months. Even if all you wanna do is sleep in and remember the winter break you just got back from, it's good to be up and about, being with family. Having a good day. So don't let the chill on your bones stop you from having a good time.

ACADEMIC ADVISING NOTES

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

For Juniors:

- The Junior and Parent College Night is planned for Thursday, January 8, 2026, from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. Main topics that will be discussed: college searches, college admissions, and financial aid. This is a mandatory meeting for all Towle full-time junior families.
- A friendly reminder: It is expected that you have at least one set of standardized scores under your belt in preparation for next fall's college application process. Better yet, take both the SATs and ACTs in the spring to determine which test suits you best. You can retake the "better fitting" test in the fall of your senior year. If you are going to take the SATs or the ACTs, please use the School Code (aka CEEB) of 080071, so Towle can receive a copy of the score report. These scores, however, are NOT automatically printed onto your transcript. For that, you must give written permission.

For Seniors:

- Most of you have finished the process of applying to colleges. What a relief ~ congratulations! If any of the colleges need a mid-year report, let me know. Please also keep me posted as to where you gain admittance!

10th through 12th grade students:

- *The ASVAB test, as part of the Career Exploration Program (www.asvabprogram.com), will be administered at Towle on Friday, March 6th from 9am-12 noon. Students will need access to a laptop or Chromebook. The test is FREE of cost. A virtual follow-up meeting, "Interpreting Your Scores", will be held a few weeks later (date TBD). Please let me know if you are interested in taking this test.*

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me or stop by the office on Monday.

Please feel free to contact Mrs. Watts jill.watts@towleinstitute.com with any questions and/or concerns.

Towle Lions



PRACTICE • TUESDAY 1/6/26
CORNERSTONE
3:30PM-5PM GIRLS – 5PM-6:30PM BOYS

PRACTICE • WEDNESDAY 1/7/26
CORNERSTONE
3PM-4:30 GIRLS – 4:30PM-6PM BOYS

PRACTICE • FRIDAY 1/9/26
CORNERSTONE
3:30PM-5PM GIRLS & BOYS

GAME • MONDAY 1/12/26
TRISTATE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
5:30PM MS GIRLS – 6:30PM HS GIRLS

PRACTICE • TUESDAY 1/13/26
CORNERSTONE
3:30PM-5PM GIRLS – 4PM-5:30PM BOYS

GAME • THURSDAY 1/15/26
FAIRWINDS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
4PM GIRLS – 5:30PM BOYS

PRACTICE • FRIDAY 1/16/26
CORNERSTONE
3:30PM-5:30PM GIRLS & BOYS

GAME • TUESDAY 1/20/26
DELAWARE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
4PM GIRLS – 5:30PM BOYS

PRACTICE • TUESDAY 1/27/26
CORNERSTONE
3:30PM-5PM GIRLS – 5PM-6:30PM BOYS

GAME • THURSDAY 1/29/26
HARFORD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
7:45PM BOYS

PRACTICE • FRIDAY 1/30/26
CORNERSTONE
3:30PM-5:30PM GIRLS & BOYS

Questions? Contact Sara Chick at
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BEAR
NEW CASTLE
CHRISTIANA MALL

Senior Spotlight

Anthony Pugliese



What are your plans after you graduate? I plan to go to the University of Delaware after graduating to study music. The community there is great and I'm excited to get started!

What are some of your hobbies or activities? I love playing guitar/singing in my local area, but I also really enjoy hanging out with friends, gaming, reading, and cooking

What is your favorite thing to do in the summer? Having time to try out new things without school stress!

What is your favorite class? My favorite class is probably Anatomy/

What is the best ice cream flavor? Cookie dough hands down, especially if it's from UD Creamery/

What is your best Towle memory? My favorite Towle memory was joining in 10th grade and seeing how kind and easy-to-get-along-with everyone is. It was really nice how it felt like I was part of the school almost immediately.

Do you have any finals tips? Give yourself break time between studying, don't burn yourself out on the first go.

Could you describe yourself in three words?

Easygoing, creative, considerate

How many siblings do you have? What are their names?

No siblings, but my really close cousin Aubree is now going to Towle in middle school :)

Who's your biggest role model? My biggest role models are my parents. Both have worked really hard in the medical field, and their work ethic has definitely taught me to give all I've got, whether it be for school or playing music!





PRESENTS **Disney**

NEWSIES JR.

JANUARY 22 & 23 @ 7:30 PM

JANUARY 24 @ 1:30 PM

BASED ON THE DISNEY FILM WRITTEN BY BOB TZUDIKER AND NONI WHITE

THE EVERETT THEATER

47 WEST MAIN STREET
MIDDLETOWN, DE

ADULTS \$15; AGES 2-17 \$10

STUDENT DIRECTOR:
MASON MERRITT

DIRECTOR:
CHERYL SHIELDS

CHOREOGRAPHER:
VIOLET MORGAN

MUSIC DIRECTOR:
ABIGAIL HOLLINSHEAD

SCAN ME!



BOOK BY

HARVEY FIERSTEIN

MUSIC BY

ALAN MENKEN

LYRICS BY

JACK FELDMAN

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INTERVIEWS

By: Kelly McHugh

Joy Wilkins



fashionable, funny and kind

Joy was homeschooled before coming to Towle, and she likes history. She has nine siblings

including two brothers and seven sisters. On top of that she also has one dog and one cat. Her favorite food is Sushi



Daisy Wilkins

funny artistic and athletic

Daisy was also homeschooled before Towle. She prefers drawing over other subjects. She has nine siblings, two brothers, seven sisters, a dog named Speckles, and a cat named Anna. Her favorite food is "definitely" Cava.

Mrs. Kendall



adventurous, optimistic, and easygoing

"I teach Home Economics at Towle. A tip for students would be to get outside each day. We all need to get out more than we think and it is beneficial in so many ways! I have been married to Jeff for sixteen years and we have four daughters. We have a miniature goldendoodle, a guinea pig, and five chickens. I love all kinds of foods and trying new restaurants, but my favorite is probably tacos. If I could have a superpower, I would want to teleport so I could travel whenever I wanted! My dream vacation would be to Europe, somewhere near the Mediterranean. My favorite holiday is Christmas when I can see my whole family and spend time together with festive foods and laughter around the table."



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF WINTER
WONDERMENT AT THE

SNOW BALL

WINTER FORMAL

HOCKESSIN MEMORIAL HALL

610 YORKLYN ROAD, HOCKESSIN, DE 19707

FEBRUARY 12, 2026

6PM - 10PM

6TH - 12TH GRADERS - \$60
CHAPERONES - \$45



SNOW BALL

WINTER FORMAL

STARTERS

CHEESE & PEPPERONI TRAY
FRUIT TRAY
VEGETABLE TRAY WITH HERB DIP

MENU

BUFFET DINNER

GARDEN SALAD
VEGETABLE MEDLEY
ROASTED ASPARAGUS
GARLIC MASHED POTATOES
TRI-COLOR CHEESE TORTELLINI
ALFREDO
TOP ROUND OF BEEF ON THE CARVER
WITH AU JUS
CHICKEN PICCATA

DESSERT

MINI BROWNIES
ASSORTED COOKIES
CUPCAKES
CREAM PUFFS
MINI ECLAIRS
ASSORTED MINI CHEESECAKES

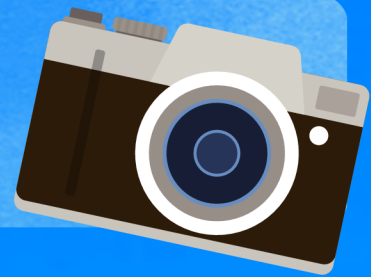
BEVERAGES

COKE, DIET COKE,
SPRITE, GINGER ALE,
LEMONADE AND WATER.
COFFEE AND HOT TEA SELF-SERVE
STATION AVAILABLE
DURING DESSERT





SNAPSHOTS



BASKETBALL






DRAWING
Through
DEUTERONOMY
FIELD *Trip*

ADULTS (14+) \$93
CHILDREN (2-13) \$44
**SEATS AVAILABLE ON
A FIRST COME FIRST
SERVED BASIS**
**RSVP PAYMENT DUE
BY FEBRUARY 25TH**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1ST @ 11AM

- ✓ Experience the story of the events that follow the book of Deuteronomy.
- ✓ Premium Seating Reserved. 5% Discount Group rate for adults.
- ✓ Early RSVP to arrange Carpool Groups - faith.miller@towleinstitute.com

 **SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE**
Joshua Sight & Sound TRAILER
300 Hartman Bridge Road
Ronks, PA 17572, USA

January 2026

LAB SCHEDULE

8:30AM - 10:30AM

Biology • Chemistry •
Anatomy & Physiology

UPCOMING LAB DATES:

February 11, March 11,

April 15, May 20

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5 Week 16	6 PRACTICE 🏀	7 PRACTICE 🏀	8 Drama 🎭	9 PRACTICE 🏀	10
11	12 Week 17 GAME 🏀	13 PRACTICE 🏀	14 Labs 🧪	15 GAME 🏀 Drama 🎭	16 PRACTICE 🏀	17
18 Drama 🎭	19 Week 18 Drama 🎭	20 GAME 🏀 Drama 🎭	21 Drama 🎭	NEWSIES		
25	26 Week 19 Elementary Skit in morning assembly	27 PRACTICE 🏀	28			

