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TOWLE BRIDGE

Towle Institute Monthly Newsletter



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WELCOME TO THE 2024-25 ACADEMIC YEAR!

From the Editor



As summer draws to a close and Towle families embark on another school year together, I am reminded of just how gracious the Lord has been to this community. This time of year can feel a little hectic and even stressful at times. Whenever I find myself having that experience, I like to pause and reflect on His blessings. One that comes to mind is Principal Slaten as a leader who not only Loves our God, but embodies the qualities and character of Jesus in the way she serves and loves the students, parents and staff.

We have been blessed with new families, exciting new programs and teachers joining us this year! So as the month of September progresses, each time you feel the rise of pressure begin to creep into your mind or your heart, take a deep breath and count your blessings.

I hope to encourage a feeling of thanksgiving to you all this year, one that mirrors mine for the Towle Community!

Faith Miller

BACK TO SCHOOL

REMINDERS

- Park in the parking lot in the back of the church. If you drop your student off, you should not leave your car.
- If you need to help your student to the door, please park your car first.
- Always check In and Out with the study hall monitors if coming to school late or leaving before the end of 7th period! You must also check in at the beginning of every study hall.
- No loitering in the parking lot. Once at school, you are here for classes.
- Students should not be around the cars.
- All backpacks, crates, etc. are to be around the perimeter of the study hall area.
- Do NOT take food or drink into the classrooms.
- Keep voices down when in the hallways as there may be classes in session or pastors in the building.
- If weather is a factor, check your email, or sign up for our push notifications at <https://www.remind.com/join/towlefam>
- Towle generally follows Red Clay School District closures for bad weather.
- Towle's email is information@towleinstitute.com
- Towle's Office Telephone Number is 302-993-1408
- Towle's physical address is: Wilmington Evangelical Community Church 1512 Brackenville Road Hockessin, DE 19707
- Towle's mailing address is: Towle Institute P.O. Box 580 Hockessin, DE 19707

Please Remember :
***We are guests in the buildings we use
and should behave accordingly.***

ACADEMIC ADVISING NOTES



Welcome Back! Hope each one of you had a refreshing summer break! I especially want to extend a warm welcome to our new families joining Towle!

Here are some important details for high-schooling families to keep in mind as we begin a new school year:

- Most communication is in email form, so students, please be careful to read your [towleinstitute.com](mailto:information@towleinstitute.com) emails. In some situations, I may request your English teachers to distribute additional information.
- For anyone taking academic classes as Independent Study, please remember to fill out the necessary paperwork by Week 3! Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

If you have any questions or concerns that arise throughout the year, please feel free to email me or stop by the office (2nd floor) anytime on Mondays.

-- Mrs. Watts [jill.watts@towleinstitute.com]

PSAT / NMSQT

Towle Institute will be administering the PSAT/NMSQT test on Saturday, October 12, 2024.

The test will be administered 100% online. Instead of paper and pencils, students will need to bring their fully-charged computers with the downloaded Bluebook App (available via College Board's website).

Who should take the PSAT?

Those who will be Sophomores in the fall are encouraged to take this test as a practice for the SATs. The PSATs are often used as a benchmark in assessing the student's readiness for scholarships, summer internships, and/or volunteer positions. Likewise, those who will be Juniors in the fall are encouraged to take it to determine National Merit Scholarship status. Freshmen are welcome to practice their test-taking abilities but please be forewarned that there is a lot of algebra in the math section of the PSAT.

Date & Location:

Saturday, October 12, 2024 • 8:30am
Wilmington Evangelical Community Church
1512 Brackenville Road
HOCKESSIN, DE 19707



Test fees:

\$21 for full-time Towle students
\$24 for part-time Towle or non-Towle students
Please make checks payable to Towle Institute.
Payment is required upon signing up.
No refunds. No walk-ins on the day of the test.

Towle's mailing address:

Towle Institute
Attn: PSAT
P O Box 580
Hockessin, DE 19707

Deadline:

Monday, September 16, 2024 • First Come First Served • Spaces limited

Send Payment with with the following information enclosed:

1) Student's full name, 2) Student Grade as of Fall 2024 3) Valid email address.

Please feel free to email Mrs. Kaliakin with any questions and/or concerns
Elizabeth.Kaliakin@towleinstitute.com.

Thank you!

NEW CLASSES!

FRENCH 1A • 7TH & 8TH

**EXPLORATION IN MOVEMENT
& MUSIC • 6TH-12TH**

NEW TO TOWLE!

Two exciting new classes for Middle and Highschoolers as well as brand new Elementary program offerings.

Registration still open!

WELCOME OUR NEW TOWLE TEAM MEMBERS!

Jackie Bradford - Cleaning Coordinator

Vicki Gregg - English 6 • MSM 2

Elisabeth Lester - Elementary Department Head • 2/3 Earth Science & Creative Writing with Legos • 4/5 Local History & Kid Congress • Geometry

Dawn Matthews - Exploration in Music & Movement

Amanda McMahan - 2/3 World Cultures • Elementary Intro to Drama

Faith Miller - Newsletter • Art

Dale Schultz - Physical Science • Chemistry

Michele Strickler - Spanish 1, 2, & 3

Leah VanDyke - Study Hall

NEW ELEMENTARY CLASSES

WHAT WE OFFER

- ✓ 2nd & 3rd Grade Earth Science / Creative Writing with Legos
- ✓ 2nd & 3rd Grade Hands-on World Cultures
- ✓ 4th & 5th Grade Local History / Kid Congress
- ✓ 4th & 5th Grade Science / Creative Writing:
- ✓ Beginner's Drama for Grades 2-5



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COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Towle Parent-Teacher RESOURCE FORUM



Share & Seek Books,
Tips & Activities ...



A place for Towle families to
connect and share and ask
for anything from practical
tools and tips to fun and
unique activities and events
for homeschoolers.

Sign up!

<https://groups.google.com/g/towle-family-forum/>

DAILY NEWS

Word • Business • Finance • Lifestyle • Travel • Sport • Weather

JOIN THE NEWSLETTER TEAM!

Contributing to the Towle Bridge every month will reward you 0.50 credit for this academic year! The Towle Bridge is an important tool for communicating information to the entire Towle community and to set a tone of welcome belonging and shared experiences! We meet together for short meetings - 11:45 am - Noon.

email mrs. Miller •
faith.miller@towleinstitute.com

BASKETBALL OPEN GYM!

FRIDAY, OCT 25TH

FRIDAY, NOV 1ST

3:30-5:30PM

GRACE CHURCH GYM

355 PAPER MILL RD, NEWARK

BOYS & GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS FOR GRADES 6TH-12TH

ALL INTERESTED STUDENTS WELCOME TO COME CHECK IT OUT BEFORE THE SEASON



11TH ANNUAL STROLL FOR TOWLE

OCT 26th @ 10am
Rain date: Nov 2nd

SAVE THE DATE!



TOWLE NEEDS FUNDRAISING PARENTS!
SIGN UP TO BE A PART OF THE TOWLE
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE
EMAIL FAITH MILLER AT
FAITH.MILLER@TOWLEINSTITUTE.COM



Hello September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Week 1 Mapping Day	4	5	6	7
8	9 Week 2 1st Day Elementary	10	11	12 Drama (Begins)	13	14
15	16 Week 3	17	18 Labs	19	20	21
22	23 Week 4	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Week 5 School Picture Day	LAB SCHEDULE • SEPTEMBER 18TH 8:30AM - 10:30AM BIOLOGY • CHEMISTRY 10:40AM - 12:40PM EXPLORATION & MOVEMENT				

UPCOMING LAB DATES:

OCTOBER 9th • NOVEMBER 13th • DECEMBER 11th