

Turkey Hill School Gobbler Newsletter

October 3rd, 2025

SCHOOL NEWS

Project Teach: Project TEACH is a community Education Program that visits each of our schools each year to present a Body Safety Program to students. This program is designed to meet the Connecticut General Statute 17a-101q. Please [click here](#) to see when this program will be visiting your child's classroom. A parent letter will be sent home with your child a few weeks before your child's classroom visit.

Fire Prevention Poster: Our 4th and 5th graders had a visit from James Vincent (Fire Marshall) and Tim Borer (Deputy Fire Marshall) last week. Mr. Vincent and Mr. Borer gave a presentation explaining the fire poster contest that 4th and 5th graders participate in every year. This is always an exciting contest that our students love to participate in! The purpose of the fire prevention poster is to make school children and their families aware that preventing fires requires everyone being alert everyday to those acts, omissions, and dangers which cause fires, and to develop an interest in fire prevention/fire safety through a poster contest for the fourth and fifth grade students, and to promote a joint education effort between schools and the fire services. All Posters are due December 1st if your child chooses to participate.

BOWA Weather Advisory: Please [click here](#) to see the winter advisory letter that was posted to the website earlier this week.

Veterans Day: Our Veterans Day assembly will take place on November 11th with a snow date of November 12th. If you have a veteran in your family that you would like to honor please fill out the form that went home in backpacks earlier this week. [Click here](#) to see the form.

If your child is absent from school: As a reminder, if your child is absent from school you must notify the office either by calling 203-891-8040 or by emailing our absentee line at thsabsences@orange-ed.org

Reminder: Vision Screening: Vision screening will be conducted on October 6th for 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th graders per state mandate. We are fortunate enough to have the Lion's Club conduct the screenings again this year using the Spot Vision Screener. You will receive a report from the school nurse if your student needs further evaluation. If you would prefer that your child not participate in vision screening, please contact Nurse Kathleen at kmalone@orange-ed.org.

Reminder: Halloween at THS: This week we sent home a letter regarding Halloween Celebrations at Turkey Hill. Please [Click Here](#) to see it.

AV Club Morning Broadcast: Click [here](#) to see this week's AV Broadcast. You will be prompted to type in a password. Our password is turkey.

Virtual Backpack: Here you will find copies of all of the notices we typically send home by email or with your child or community events.

- [School News](#)
- [Community Events](#)
 - [Funtober Trunk or Treat](#)
 - [Orange Rotary Fall Fest](#)
 - [Cub Scouts](#)
 - [Field Hockey Learn to Play](#)

- [PTO information](#)

PTO EVENTS

THS SPIRITWEAR STORE IS OPEN: Order your official 2025-2026 THS Shirt featuring the winning design, Turkey Jockey, today! Offering t-shirts, long sleeve shirts and hoodies, and this year, also have flannel PJ pants and sweatpants. Please note - the PTO does not carry spirit wear inventory, and this is the only time spirit wear is available all year. **The store closes at the end of day Sunday, October 19th.** No exceptions. Orders will be delivered to school and distributed in early November. Order here: <https://ths-2025.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

THS NIGHT AT THE TREAT FARM CORN MAZE: Save the date - **Friday, October 17th!** Treat Farm will welcome all THS students and families to navigate their way through the corn maze and other fall activities! Purchase tickets [HERE](#) to reserve your place! Sessions will run at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30pm. New this year, **purchase a THS LED beanie** to light the way and stay warm! Be sure to stay after your slot (4:30) or come early (5:30,6:30) to dance with the DJ, enjoy dinner (Silver Sands Pizza), get some farm photos in our photo booth, and decorate a complementary pumpkin! 🍂

PICTURE DAY: Save the date! THS picture day for individual and class photos is **Wednesday, October 15th.** **Please note:** for first-time THS families, this is a different photographer than is used at MLT. You will not receive proofs, and pre-ordering is highly recommended, with additional handling charges for photos ordered after picture day. Retakes and sibling photos will be offered on December 2nd.

TURKEY TITAN SCHOOL STORE: The school store will be open during lunch every other Wednesday. **The next scheduled opening is on Wednesday, 10/8.**

YEARBOOK PHOTOS: Currently accepting 1st Grade Orientation, First Day of School and Fun Run photos. Photos should be of school events and preference for inclusion in the yearbook will be given to photos that include more than one student. Email thsyearbook2526@gmail.com with questions. [Click here to submit photos for the yearbook!](#) 📷

MONTHLY PTO MEETING: The next PTO meeting is **Friday, 11/7 at 9:00 am.** All families are welcome to join this virtual meeting. To increase participation, we have set our monthly PTO meetings for the first Friday of every month during the morning. Meetings are virtual via Google Meet. We hope you can join us! [Link to the November PTO Meeting](#) 🖥️

STAY IN TOUCH! Want to stay up to date on ALL that is happening at THS?

- Follow us on [Facebook](#)
- Get [Remind texts](#) for important updates
- Sync our [THS PTO calendar](#) to your own
- Find links to all the latest on the [THS PTO website](#)
- We welcome your questions and feedback! Email us anytime at turkeyhillpto@gmail.com

CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6th	7th	8th	9th	10th

Vision Screening for grades 1,3,4,5.				
13th No School	14th	15th Picture Day	16th Project Teach (Ginsberg, Marano, Castelot)	17th

TURKEY HILL SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

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