



BROOKFIELD BROADCAST

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"Create Your Tomorrow"

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INNOVATIONS & LEARNING

New School Construction on Huckleberry Hill Campus



Over the summer, the district's Strategic School Facilities Committee reviewed community feedback and worked with our consulting architects to present a final recommendation to the Board of

Education. This recommendation - to construct a new school on the existing Huckleberry Hill campus - was adopted unanimously by the Board on August 15th. The new school will be designed to support a collaborative, student-centered teaching and learning environment for our Pre-K through grade 5 students, now and in the future. Stay tuned for more information on opportunities for public input throughout the fall and winter months.

New STEM Department at Brookfield High School



The vision of Brookfield High School's new STEM Department is to engage students in thought-provoking problem solving and critical thinking that will develop the skills needed for future success in college and careers. BHS STEM teachers will build upon the Connecticut Core Standards and Next Generation Science Standards to involve students in dynamic experiences in the mathematical, life, chemical, and physical sciences which integrate technology and engineering applications.

NEWS WITH NUMBERS

Summer 2018

- 530** new Chromebooks to support learning
- 461,920** square feet of schools cleaned this summer
- 340** fall season student-athletes will play under new field lights
- 212,600** lunches are expected to be served this school year
- 1,700** K-8 students are enhancing their social and emotional skills using the RULER tool from Yale's Center for Emotional Intelligence

Smithsonian Science Classroom for Grades K-8!

Smithsonian Science for the Classroom is an evidence-based curriculum developed by the Smithsonian Science Education Center. The curriculum was developed in consultation with teachers and extensively field-tested. Designed to inspire, engage, and connect students firsthand to the wonders of science in the world around them, the curriculum draws on the latest findings and best instructional practices.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 8.29 First Day of School
- 9.03 Labor Day (No school for students)

Open House Schedule

- Center School 9.04 & 9.11
- Huckleberry Hill 9.12, 9.17, & 9.18
- Whisconier 9.13, 9.20, & 9.25
- Brookfield High 9.06



"Brookfield's Best" STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Curriculum Design Teams Summer Planning

This summer over 65 of "Brookfield's Best" collaborated as curriculum design teams to develop learning experiences for their K-12 students. Teams used Rubicon Atlas, a curriculum management software, to build units that identify the content that will be taught and outline goals for learning. Our educators were able to apply skills they acquired during professional development with education consultant Dr. Marie Alcock, to further develop their CT Core Standards aligned curriculum units. The K-12 curriculum design teams will continue the construction of the curriculum's foundation throughout the upcoming school year.



Center Elementary School Principal

Mrs. Dymond transitions from nine years at Huckleberry to CES as the new principal!



Huckleberry Hill Elementary Principal

Welcome to Mrs. Labroschiano, our new Huckleberry Hill Principal!



Brookfield Public Schools Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Mr. Smith, BHS Social Studies teacher, on receiving this distinction. We are so proud of your accomplishments!



STEM

Mr. Hill returns to BHS after three years in Westport to lead the new STEM Department.



Special Education

Welcome to our new Special Education Supervisors, Mrs. Salvestrini (PK- 5) and Mrs. Wygonik (6-12).



Admin on the move!

Three of our Assistant Principals transitioned into new assignments. Mrs. Scheithe is heading from Huckleberry to BHS, Dr. Pepsoski from WMS to Huckleberry, and Mr. Bednarik from BHS to WMS.