

Graduates In Bloom



Office of Family and Community Engagement Office Update
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Overview

Purpose

Share the Office of Family and Community Engagement efforts to enhance family and community engagement for Bloomfield Public Schools

Process

Review the districtwide family and community engagement efforts and extended learning opportunities led by the Office of Family and Community Engagement

Payoff

Shared knowledge of the offices reach into the community and the continued support for the office of family engagement.



BPS Extended Learning Initiative Goals

Goal 1

To expand the extended learning opportunities for the students of Bloomfield Public Schools

Goal 2

To host and participate in events that engage families in collaboration with the parents and community partners



Family & Community Engagement Goals

Goal 1

To facilitate a series of effective professional development sessions for staff to strengthen the home to school partnerships

Goal 2

To strengthen communication and access to district and community resources

Goal 3

In collaboration with School to Career Office develop a career exploration pathway for students in grades 7-12



BPS Extending Learning

Anjane L. Wright



S.T.E.A.M. at Laurel Literacy Academy

Days: Monday- Thursday

Time: 3:30- 5:30pm

Duration: September 30- May 30

Partners: Auerfarm & The Bloomfield Extension Program

Grades: K-2

Number of participants: 70



S.T.E.A.M. at Laurel Literacy Academy



Community and Career Collaboration



Pending Extended Learning Opportunities

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Creativista Charm

Auerfarm



Extension Program



Where Children Shine



Family and Community Engagement



Professional Development on Family Engagement

“Before we can create strong and effective partnerships with families, we have to believe not only that it’s important but that it can also be done- and that we can do it.”

Beyond the Bake Sale, Henderson, Mapp, Johnson Davies

- Family Engagement Practices to Start the School Year
- Reviewing and Reflecting on Family Engagement Progress
- How to Prepare to Partner with Parents: Tools, Tips, and Language

“This PD was incredibly helpful - I got useful ideas and made a goal for parent communication this morning. Thank you for helping us go the right direction!”

“I believe the goals and action plans for Family Engagement practices can be achieved if we as a Bloomfield Family/Culture works towards mutual collaboration amongst stakeholders. Looking forward to receiving practical tools for engagement of all involved in the learning and growth of our students into productive citizens achieving reachable goals.”

“Loved the conversations around ‘how’ and ‘why’ to have the conversations.”

“The group activities were an excellent opportunity for the members to brainstorm ways to engage the school community.”

“Great opportunity to reconnect, re-engage, and advance our development for positive strategies with family and student engagement.”

“I always find that I am able to get curious about the things she presents and bring that curiosity into my work right away.”



Increased Access to Resources

Office of Extended Learning & Family and Community Engagement

Family Engagement is a full, equal, and equitable partnership among families, educators and community partners to promote children's learning and development from birth through college and career.



Our Vision Statement

The Bloomfield Public Schools will have thriving home, school, and community partnerships that value and engage the knowledge and skills of families and community stakeholders to enhance overall student achievement.



Anjane Wright has over 25 years of educational experience. She served in the classroom for 17 years before becoming an Instructional Coach and MTSS Coordinator. She has spent the last few years as a Dean of Students for Bloomfield Public Schools. She has chosen to serve students and families in her current role and seeks to strengthen the partnerships between parents, staff and community.



FAMILY RESOURCE HUB

Social and Youth Services



Angelica Thompson Youth Services Coordinator

West Hartford Bloomfield Health District



Viviane Rinaldi Community Health Educator

Bloomfield Lions Club



Wendy A. Williams President

Bloomfield Public Library



Nicole Dolat -Youth Services Librarian

Bloomfield Leisure Services



Dave Melesko - Director

Alliance for Bloomfield's Children



Nekita Waller

Town of Bloomfield



India Rodgers -Strategic Communications

Adult Education



Mike Bailey -Director



Welcome Bloomfield Families!

This site was developed to provide resources and address the various needs of students and families. Here are a list of community resources in the Greater Hartford and Middletown area. The resources can be found by clicking the tabs above. If you need further assistance, or if you have any questions/concerns, you may reach out to the following persons your school Social Worker, The Office of Family Engagement or Registration.

“Obstacles don’t have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don’t turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it.”

– Michael Jordan

The Welcome Center



Attendance Campaign



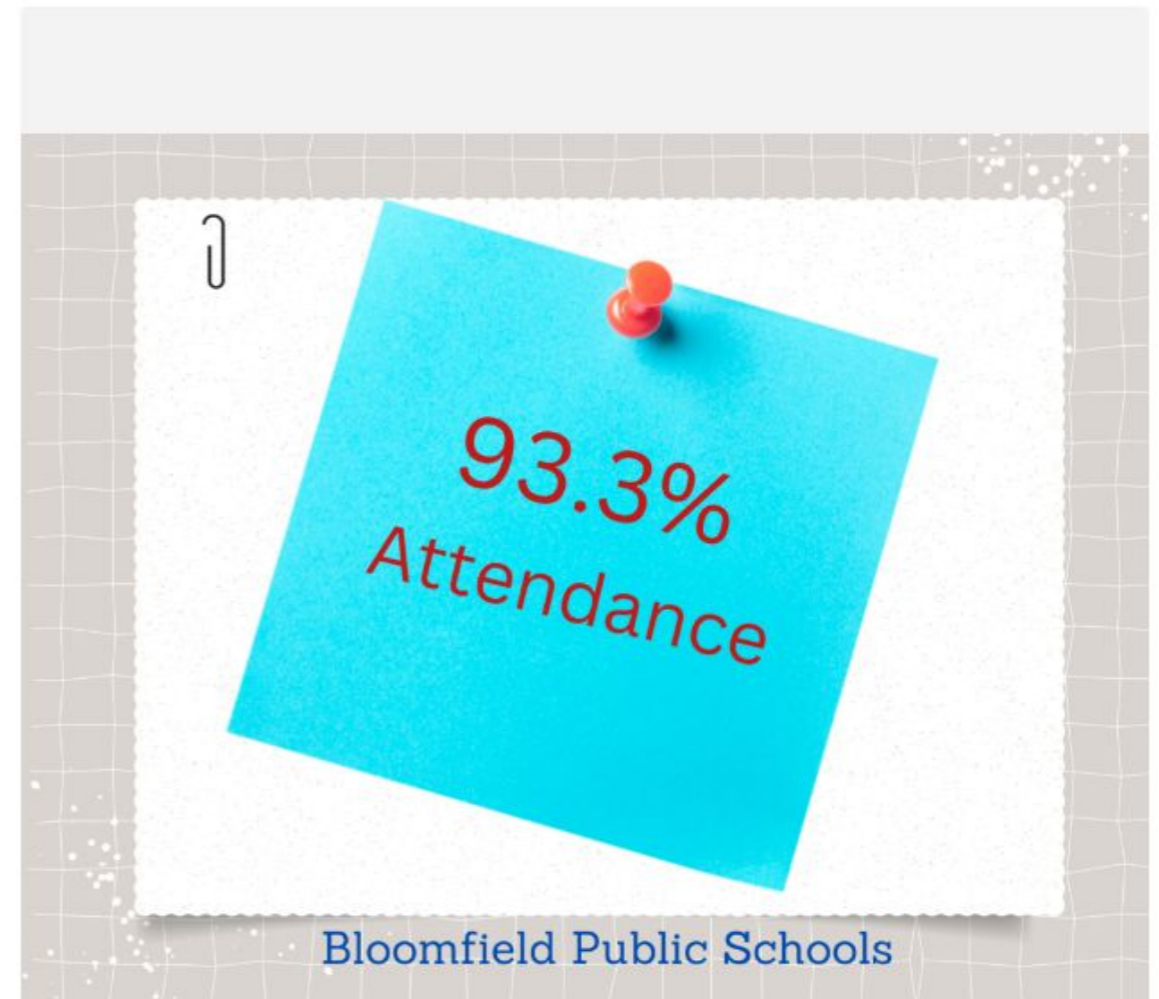
You're a Vital Part! Congratulations to Metacomet Elementary! 100% of their students were in attendance on Friday! Congratulations to the district. We are averaging 94% attendance. Your involvement in your child's education, including their attendance, makes a significant difference. Thank you for your support!

14 DAYS AGO, ANJANEE WRIGHT



Greetings Families, We were excited to see our students yesterday. Attendance reached 93.3%. Excellent turn out families. Let's keep up our attendance numbers high and congratulations to BHS for having the highest attendance total. • Fabulous Fact: Students with involved parents have a 98% average school attendance rate, which contributes significantly to academic achievement. -Positive Action.net

2 MONTHS AGO, ANJANEE WRIGHT



Family Workshop Series

Workshop Dates

- **November 19, 2024** -Understanding Mental Health Challenges in Adolescents and Young Adults
- **December 17, 2024**- Festive Family Wreath Workshop: Craft Your Holiday Spirit
- **January 21, 2025** -The Brotherhood Check-in
- **February 11, 2025**- Smart Saving Strategies: Understanding IRAs, CDs, and Bank Saving Options
- **March 18, 2025**- Master Your Money: Shifting Mindsets and Building Financial Confidence
- **April 22, 2025**- Supporting Young Children with Behavioral Health Challenges
- **May 20, 2025**- Petals and Memories: A Creative Family Floral Experience

FAMILY WORKSHOP SERIES
PRESENTED BY
BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
OFFICE OF FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND
BLOOMFIELD SOCIAL & YOUTH SERVICES

THE DETAILS
LOCATED AT BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER
330 PARK AVENUE
6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
FOOD AND CHILDCARE PROVIDED!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024
UNDERSTANDING MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES IN ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS: Led by mental health professionals to help you understand the signs and symptoms of anxiety and depression in adolescents.
Solutions Counseling Services

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024
FESTIVE FAMILY WREATH WORKSHOP - CRAFT YOUR HOLIDAY SPIRIT: A perfect family activity to kick off the holiday season! Bring your loved ones together for this hands on workshop.
Bloomfield Social and Youth Services

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025
THE BROTHERHOOD CHECK-IN: This workshop is built around open dialogue and self-reflection. Explores the importance of male involvement in the school system.
Abdul Muhammad

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025
SMART SAVING STRATEGIES - UNDERSTANDING IRAS, CDs AND BANK SAVING OPTIONS: Informative workshop led by experts from Windsor Federal Bank to help individuals understand ways to save money.

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025
MASTER YOUR MONEY: SHIFTING MINDSETS AND BUILDING FINANCIAL CONFIDENCE: An engaging and educational workshop designed to help you take control of your financial future!
Freedom Life Therapy and Wellness

TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2025
SUPPORTING YOUNG CHILDREN WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CHALLENGES: Facilitated by child behavioral health specialist to help you better understand and address behavioral health challenges in children under 5th grade.
Solutions Counseling Services

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2024
PETALS AND MEMORIES - A CREATIVE FAMILY FLORAL EXPERIENCE: Families can come together to create a beautiful, fresh floral centerpiece.
Bloomfield Youth and Social Services
Bloomfield Social and Youth Services

✉ awright@blmfld.org ☎ (860) - 769 - 4218 📄 scan code to register on our site



Family Workshop Series

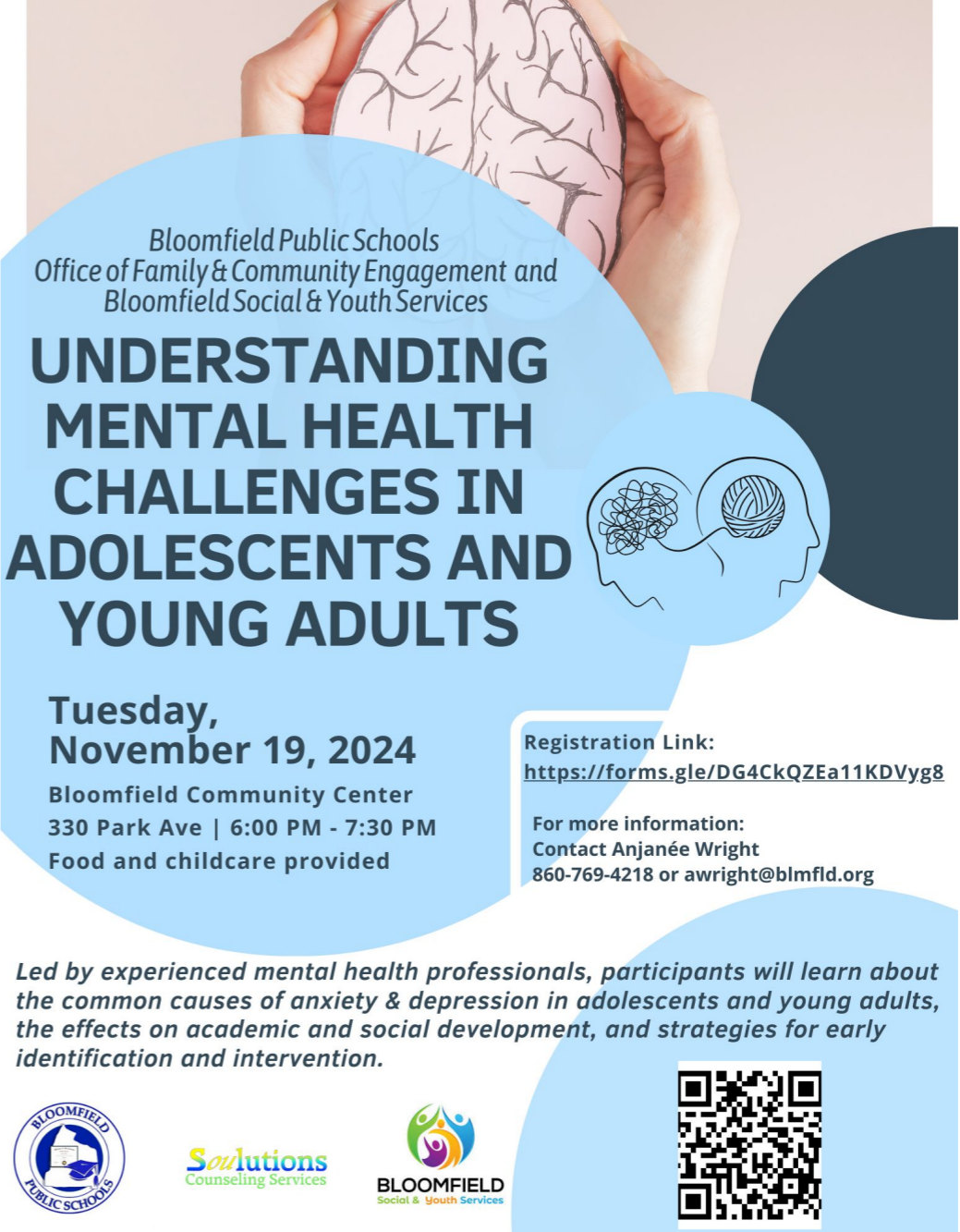
You're Invited...

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Bloomfield Community Center

330 Park Avenue

6:00-7:30 p.m.



Bloomfield Public Schools
Office of Family & Community Engagement and
Bloomfield Social & Youth Services





UNDERSTANDING MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES IN ADOLESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS

**Tuesday,
November 19, 2024**
Bloomfield Community Center
330 Park Ave | 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Food and childcare provided

Registration Link:
<https://forms.gle/DG4CkQZEa11KDvyg8>

For more information:
Contact Anjanée Wright
860-769-4218 or awright@blmfld.org

Led by experienced mental health professionals, participants will learn about the common causes of anxiety & depression in adolescents and young adults, the effects on academic and social development, and strategies for early identification and intervention.



Family Workshop Series

Workshop Highlights and Feedback

“This was excellent. A needed space.”

“I had fun, let’s do it again.”

“I don’t have anything that they could have done better but I wish more people had the opportunity to experience this training.”

“The interaction with other adults.”

“Realistic Takeaways.”

“Continue to invite educators to events to build a relationship with the schools and community.”



Family Events




OUTSIDE PERSPECTIVES
www.outsideperspectives.org

BLOOMFIELD SCHOOLS

COMMUNITY FUN DAY

WEDNESDAY 25 SEPT
3:30 TO 5:30PM

METCOMET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
185 SCHOOL ST

LIMITED SPACE!

REGISTER NOW!



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WHAT TO EXPECT!

- Fun Games for all ages!
- Rotating Stations
- Snacks Included
- Quality time outside with your family!
- Rain or Shine

www.outsideperspectives.org



Thank you!

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