

WELCOME to SIXTH GRADE PARENT ORIENTATION

June 2, 2025

Administrative Team

Dr. Mark Bonasera - Principal

Mr. Rafael Escobar - Assistant Principal

Mr. Elvonni Capozziello - Assistant Principal

Mr. Ryan Perkins - Multi-Tiered Systems of Support Specialist

Our Key Themes

Connection

Community

Consistency

Student Voice

TOR Student Ambassadors

- *What I love about TOR...*
- *How middle school is different from elementary school*
- *Our advice for new students*

TOR Drama Program - Matilda Jr.

"Revolting Children"





Sixth Grade Teachers

A Team

Ms. Mavridis - ELA

Ms. Seitter - Social Studies

Ms. Jaeger - Math

Ms. Dimyan - Science

B Team

Ms. Sharma - ELA

Ms. Rivera - Social Studies

Ms. Carpenter - Math

Mr. Butera - Science

Special Education

Ms. Huber

Ms. Husu

Support Staff

Guidance Counselors

Ms. Vanity Vazquez

Ms. Eugenie Joseph

School Psychologist

Ms. Julie Tooher

DOMUS Family Advocate

Ms. Carmen Williams

Social Worker

Ms. Deb Wilson

Parent Facilitator

Ms. Patty Morales

Core Classes for 2025-26

Language Arts

Math

Science

Social Studies

Technology:

Project Lead the Way

Interdisciplinary Writing:

Step Up to Writing

TOR Exploratory Classes

- Art
- General Music
- PE/Health
- Band
- Strings
- Chorus
- Tech Lab
- World Language: Spanish & French
- Wellness

HEART in Action



- Helping Everyone Achieve Resiliency and Thankfulness
- **Daily** period for increasing self-awareness and positive behaviors in and out of the classroom. (Body-Mind-Heart)
- 30 minutes with **indoor** and **outdoor** structured activities
- **Core competencies**:
  - Self-awareness
  - Self-management
  - Social awareness
  - Relationship skills
  - Responsible decision making



School Based Health Center

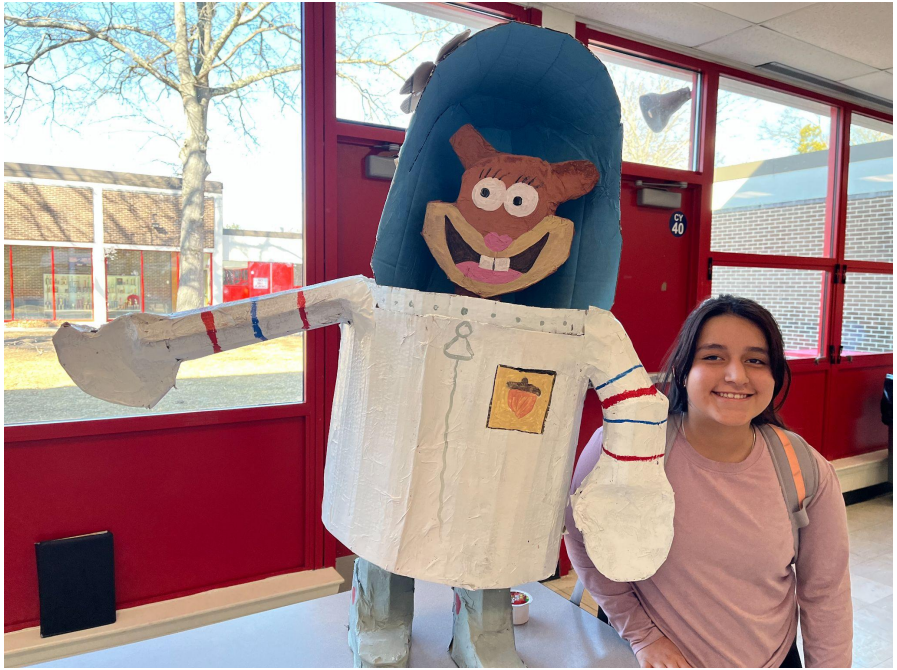
Family Centers School Based Health Centers (SBHC):

- free-standing, federally qualified medical centers
- in eight middle/high schools in Stamford and Greenwich
- open to all students where center is located, regardless of income/health coverage
- operate much like a small doctor's office
- medical team available during school day to assist students with basic sick visits, physicals, immunizations, and more (works closely with our school nurse)
- Mental Health Clinicians provide individual/group therapy to students/families
- Westhill High School SBHC staffed with a Dentist and Hygienist, available to all Stamford Public School students
- scheduled to open at TOR at the start of the 2025-26 school year
- entrance on the right side of the building (near gymnasium)

Sample Schedule

- **Seven** classes on student schedule
- Students will attend **6 classes** (4 Core and 2 Exploratory) + **HEART** daily
  - **Core** Classes are English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Integrated Technology (one semester), and Interdisciplinary Writing (one semester)
  - **Exploratory** Classes are Art, Music, PE, Health, Electives, Intervention
  - **HEART** is a period dedicated to increasing self-awareness and positive behaviors both in and out of the classroom. (Team teachers lead HEART.)

Art Projects





Student Leadership Council





TOR Intramurals













After School Titans

- Academic and Enrichment Clubs
- Homework Help
- Hip Hop Dance
- Drill Team
- Art Club
- Garden Club
- Dungeons & Dragons Club
- Yearbook
- Many more activities

Meets four days a week (M-TH) throughout the school year



Special Events

















Breakfast and Lunch





Electronic Device Policy

- Turned off and put away in backpack throughout the school day
- Including headphones, earbuds, and iPads
- Cellphones are not to be in pockets, hands or sweatshirts
- No cellphone use during the school day
- Students can use the main office phone



Questions and…

