



# WALLINGFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The purpose of this letter is to share with you the planned events for March 14, 2018. Students from both high schools worked collaboratively to recognize this day in the safest way possible. A variety of activities will be held that allow students choice and voice while also recognizing that some may choose not to participate.

Both high schools will follow a special bell schedule on this day, which will be shared with students via their school email account. Time will be provided after period 2 for students to engage in one or more of the following activities:

- In Memoriam: Seventeen minutes of silence will be observed in honor and respect for those who lost their lives in the Parkland tragedy.
- Letter Campaign: Students will have time to write letters to the Parkland community and/or their local, state, and national representatives.
- Mindfulness: Students will gather to engage in a teacher-led guided meditation.
- Peer Support Center: Students may gather to discuss recent events.
- Study Hall: Students will have time to complete their school work, read, and/or study.
- Voter Registration: Eligible students may register to vote in future elections.

We also would like to clarify that both high schools are not endorsing a walkout protest. We want our students in school where we can keep them safe while facilitating their participation in the educational program. Should a student walk out on this day, disciplinary consequences will be imposed in accordance with Board of Education policy.

In closing, we feel that the planned events for March 14 allow students to achieve their goals in the safest and least disruptive manner and also allow students with differing views to be respected.

Very truly yours,

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