

January 11, 2022

Dear Northeast Corner Families:

Through the combined efforts of Putnam, Thompson, Killingly, Plainfield, Brooklyn, and Canterbury Public Schools, I am pleased to inform you of a program launching on January 13, 2022. Our “Parent Connect Series” is designed to educate families and assist them in identifying resources and strategies that they can use to help their children overcome the impact of the pandemic.

The Parent Connect Series will be held via Zoom on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month beginning at 6:30 P.M. Each session will run for approximately 30 minutes and begin with a COVID-19 update provided by Dr. Kristen Xeller of Quiet Corner Family Practice in Pomfret. She will be followed by Psychologist, Dr. Ravit Stein from Eastconn who will offer a tip / suggestion that can be employed at home to support students and families. The last half of the meeting will feature a rotating topic and guest to support students of all ages relative to academics, or social emotional learning.

Some of the key features of this program include the:

- Ability to use the chat feature to communicate with Dr. Stein and / or Dr. Xeller
- Opportunity for parents to request a future topic / guest
- Ability to connect with school / district personnel on the featured topic
- Ongoing support / resource vs a “one-time” event

We hope that you find the Parent Connect series to be valuable and look forward to working with you in the weeks and months ahead as we share a common goal in assisting students as they work to recover from the impact of the pandemic on their academic learning, and social maturity.

The first session is scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Please use the link below to join the conversation:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87659698462?pwd=eIMwUFRtKzRabVdOSII3RXRjSVJRdz09>

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Sincerely,

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