

~ Quote of the Week ~

Each age has deemed the new-born year the fittest time for festal cheer. ~ Sir Walter Scott

JANUARY

- 10th – Early Release Day
- 10th – Pelham School Board Meeting
- 15th – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 16th – Windham School Board Workshop Meeting
- 24th – Pelham School Board Workshop Meeting
- 29th – Pelham Teacher’s Workshop (no school)

~ PELHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS ~



Pelham Elementary School received two awards from the American Heart Association for the “Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart” fundraiser held last February. PES was the top fundraising school in Division 1 and in the entire Northeast!!!

~ HUMAN RESOURCES NEWS ~

The 2007 limit for employees to contribute to a Taxable Savings Account (403B and 457 plans) has increased from \$15,000 to \$15,500 for those that are under 50 years of age. If an employee is over 50 years of age, the catch-up limit remains unchanged at \$5,000. Therefore, an employee over 50 years old can contribute a maximum of \$20,500 for 2007.

~ PAYROLL NEWS ~

The January 4, 2007 paycheck has been processed using a new HR/Payroll Computer System that the SAU implemented. This has been a very labor and time intensive process, and we spent a number of weeks verifying all the payroll information to ensure that all paychecks would be accurate when transferring from the current system to the new system.

~ PAYROLL NEWS CONTINUED ~

It would be a great help to us if you could verify your personal information, such as correct spelling of name and address. Call or email Deb Padykula for Pelham School District (dpadykula@pelhamsd.org) or Joyce Doucette for Windham School District (jdoucette@windhamsd.org) with any corrections.

Direct deposit receipts are now printed on plain white paper. Additionally, please be aware if you have your money being direct deposited into more than one account, your pay-stub will only be in the amount of one of these deposits. If you look under the section titled, “employee deductions” on your pay-stub, you will see that the deposit into your other account is listed here.

If you are paid on an hourly contract, the regular hours (Reg Hrs) under the “Earnings” section of your pay-stub represents the actual hours worked within this pay period. The amount (Amt) paid reflects your total contract divided by the number of pay periods you selected (21, 22 or 26) at the beginning of the school year.

Please remember that the 2007 tax tables are now in effect. Tax changes range from \$0.10 to \$40.00, depending upon your salary and tax status. Please verify your new payroll information by comparing it with your December 21, 2006 payroll check stub. **If any discrepancies are found, other than taxes – Federal Tax**, please contact Deb (PSD) or Joyce (WSD).

FYI: The Connection is accessible on-line at <http://www.windhamsd.org/SAU28/sau28.htm>. Just click the link for Newsletters and chose the issue you would like to read. Remember, all feedback, comments or suggestions should be directed to Jfortin@windhamsd.org.

~ Windham ~

Our mission is to be a continuously improving, learning community, providing quality services to enable all children to master the knowledge and competencies necessary to function skillfully throughout life.

~ Pelham ~

Our mission is a commitment, in concert with the entire Pelham community, to provide quality services to each student, parent and resident through planned, focused and continuous improvement of our educational programs and practices.