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Upcoming Dates

- **Oct 7, 9:15am** – PTA Meeting
- **Oct 9, 7:00pm** – BOE Regular Meeting, WHS Professional Library
- **Oct 13** – No School (Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day)
- **Oct 14** – No School (Professional Learning)
- **Oct 20** – Candidate Forum
- **Oct 22** – Shortened Day (Professional Learning)
- **Oct 23** – #wiltoniswhereyoubelong Fashion Show!
- **Oct 23, 7:00pm** – BOE Regular Meeting, WHS Professional Library
- **Oct 29** – Photo Re-take Day
- **Oct 31** – Halloween Parade and Walkathon!
- **Nov 2** – 5th Grade Chorus Performs at Bridgeport Islanders Game

Upcoming PTA Meeting

Our next PTA meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 7 at 9:15am in the Cider Mill Maker Space.**

If you prefer to join virtually, you can attend via Google Meet: meet.google.com/myt-daes-hfx

We hope to see you there!

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Photo Retake Day: October 29

If your child was absent or you'd like a retake, mark your calendar!

Photo Day - Thank You Volunteers

A big thank you to the RCP Team and all our volunteers who helped make Photo Day run so smoothly! **A link to photos will be sent out soon**, and we'll notify families via ParentSquare when they're available.

Reflections Contest

This year's theme is "**I Belong.**" Students are invited to showcase their creativity.

Stay tuned for more details!

2025-2026
CALL FOR
ENTRIES

Introducing This Year's Theme
I Belong!

Explore the arts and
express yourself!
Dance - Film-Music-Literature-Photography



Deadline for Entries:
Nov 21

For Details:
Stay Tuned!

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Candidate Forum

Join us for a special Education & Youth-Focused Candidate Forum, featuring candidates for the Board of Education, Board of Finance, and Board of Selectmen.

Monday, October 20
7:30 – 9:30pm
Middlebrook Auditorium

This is a great opportunity to hear from local candidates on the issues that matter most to our schools and students. Families are also invited to **submit questions for the candidates in advance using [this link](#).**

Save the Date

Wilton Votes!

**Education /Youth
Candidate Forum**

Do you want to learn more about where Wilton candidates stand on key issues that impact your families?

Come hear from the candidates for BOE (Education), BOF (Finance), and BOS (Selectmen) at the education & youth focused candidate forum!

MONDAY, 10/20 7:30-9:30 PM
MIDDLEBROOK AUDITORIUM

Please submit potential questions for consideration **HERE** by Sunday, October 12th.

Sponsored by the PTA's of Wilton
Miller-Driscoll, Cider Mill, Middlebrook,
Wilton High School, and SEPTA

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Halloween Parade and Walkathon!

The Halloween Parade and Walkathon are once again joining forces for one blockbuster event. Come cheer on our costume-clad students and teachers at the high school track! And **stay tuned for more information on the Walkathon!**



Cider Mill - High School Track
All School Parade and Walkathon 9:00-9:45
Miller-Driscoll - Front Bus Loop
K and First Grade 10:15-10:45
Second Grade 12:00-12:30
MD ELC - Orange Loop
11:15
Cider Mill



Parking ([click for map](#)) ..
Regular Lots, Gravel Lots on
Corner of School Road and Rt. 7,
Bus Loop, Blacktop Areas

Miller-Driscoll Parking
Regular Lots, Yellow Loop,
Purple Loop

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- **Website:** www.cidermillpta.org
- **Follow us** on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)



Join the PTA

Membership for the 2025–26 school year is officially open! Sign up now to receive access to the online school directory (coming soon) and support the important work of the PTA. **[Sign up here!](#)**

The Turnover Shop

The Turnover Shop is a great Wilton resource when looking to reuse or donate items you no longer need. Many of our lost and found items end up at the Turnover Shop at the end of terms. And **they are the PTA's largest sponsor!** Please check them out at <https://turnovershopwilton.org/>.

Spiritwear

To purchase spiritwear for your child, shop here: **cidermillpta.org/spiritwear**

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#wiltoniswhereyoubelong Fashion Show!

Save the date for the first annual #wiltoniswhereyoubelong Fashion Show! Presented in collaboration with Wilton Community Steps Program, Wilton Pride, Wilton SEPTA, Middlebrook, and Wilton High School, the fashion show celebrates creativity, community, and inclusion. A highlight of the evening will be students with neurodiverse profiles walking alongside their peer mentors. **[Click here for more details and to purchase tickets.](#)**

Thursday, October 23
6:30pm
Zellner Gallery at the Clune
Center, Wilton High School



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A LAUNCH YOUR LIFE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING EVENT

THE FIRST ANNUAL
#wiltoniswhereyoubelong
fashion show

Reception 6:30 PM
Fashion Show 7:00 PM
Halftime Paddle Raise 7:30 PM
Fashion Show Finale 7:45 PM

ZELLNER GALLERY
WILTON HIGH SCHOOL

SUPPORTING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WILTON STUDENTS WITH DIVERSE LEARNING PROFILES

PRESENTED BY
The Turnover Shop
Wilton Community Steps
Wilton Pride
Wilton Special Education PTA (SEPTA)

TICKETS: \$20
scan to purchase

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CM Family Fun Night at the Bridgeport Islanders!

Come cheer on our Cider Mill 5th Grade Chorus as they perform *God Bless America* before puck drop at the Bridgeport Islanders game! It's a special day to support our students, enjoy a family outing, and celebrate the Cider Mill community together. **Click here for discounted tickets.**

Sunday, November 2
3:00pm
Total Mortgage Arena



**ISLANDERS**
Sunday, November 2nd

VS

**THUNDERBIRDS**
Game Time: 3:00PM

**The Bridgeport Islanders Welcome
Cider Mill School!**

Join us in supporting Cider Mill School as they perform *God Bless America* before puck drop!



Cider Mill School
Bee Here. Bee You. Bee Long.

Get your discounted tickets using this QR code or link:
<https://www.gofevo.com/event/Cidermill61>



Please contact Maggie.Howard@bridgeportislanders.com or
203.345.4853 with any questions!

 **BRIDGEPORT ISLANDERS**

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Fall Intramurals

Before school intramurals begin on Monday, October 6, running from 7:00–7:40am. Enrollment is open and is confirmed with submission of this **permission slip** (no registration required), which your child should return to their PE teacher. Drop-off is at the main entrance.

3rd grade: Mondays

4th grade: Thursdays

5th grade: Wednesdays



Important Links/Resources

- **School Dismissal Manager** – Log absences, early dismissals or changes
- **Nutrislice Lunch Menu** – See daily, weekly and monthly offerings
- **MySchoolBucks** – Add funds to your child's lunch account
- **2025-26 District Calendar** (including dismissal times)
- **Cider Mill Handbook** – Find school hours, attendance policies and more
- **cmattend@wiltonps.org** – to report your child absent

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Around the Town

Please see the following news items that our community partners have asked us to share with you. Click on the links for more information:

Wilton NAMI-CAN (National Alliance on Mental Illness-Child Adolescent Network) Free Parent Support Group Meetings

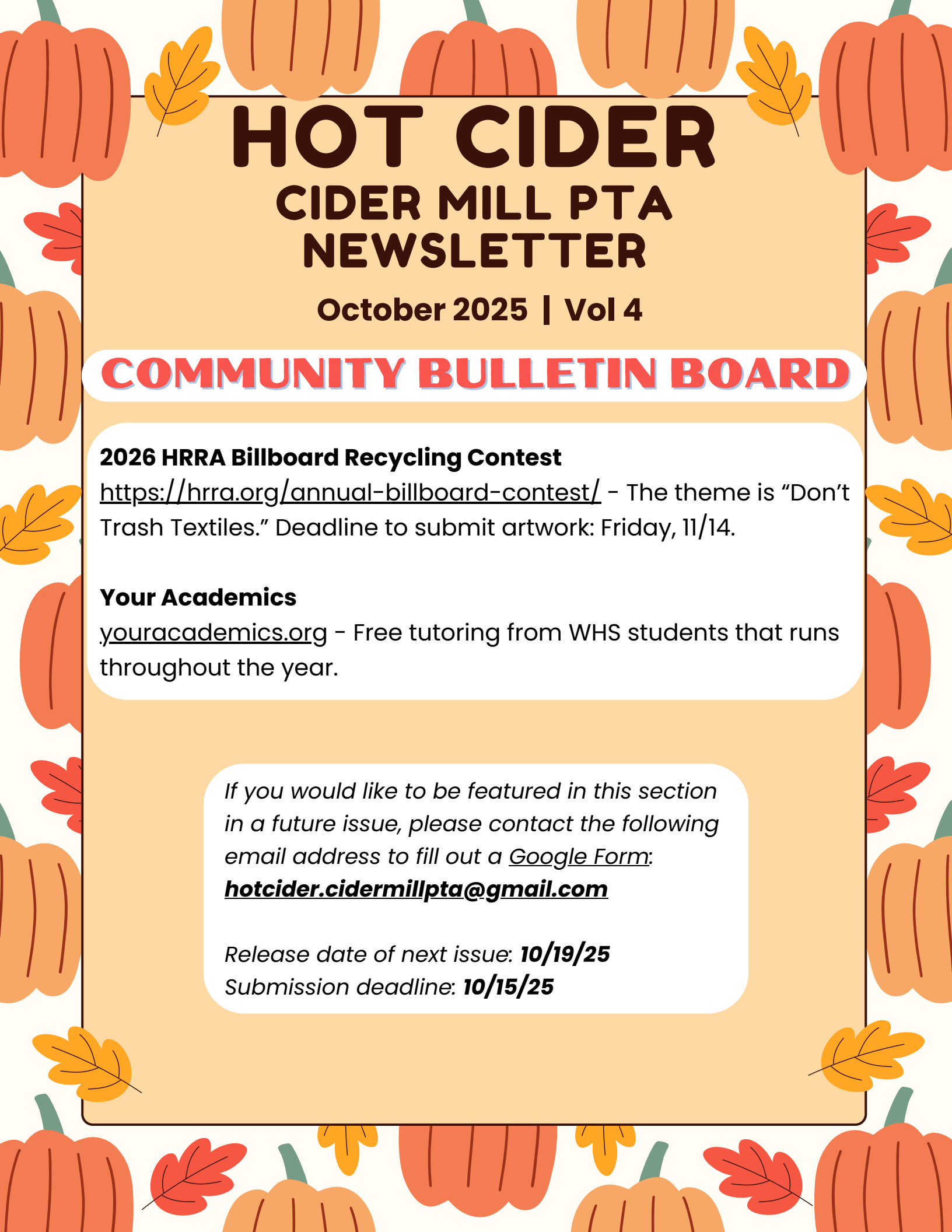
<https://namisouthwestct.org/> - Mondays, 10/6, 11/3 and 12/1 from 10:00-11:30am over Zoom (cameras on).

Wilton Y Wahoos Thanksgiving Pie and Cooke Dough

Fundraiser! <https://my.mcmfundraising.com/2025-fall-wilton-y-wahoos-swim-team/wilton-y-wahoos/> - Place your order by 10/10 and pick up on 11/22.

Wilton Cheer and WHS Video Club Halloween-themed 5K

<https://runsignup.com/Race/CT/Wilton/FamilyFunHalloween5k> - Wilton, CT. Saturday, 10/25 at 10:00am.

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2026 HRRRA Billboard Recycling Contest

<https://hrra.org/annual-billboard-contest/> - The theme is "Don't Trash Textiles." Deadline to submit artwork: Friday, 11/14.

Your Academics

youracademics.org - Free tutoring from WHS students that runs throughout the year.

If you would like to be featured in this section in a future issue, please contact the following email address to fill out a Google Form:

hotcider.cidermillpta@gmail.com

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*Submission deadline: **10/15/25***