

# The Charger Club Newsletter

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## ANSONIA SELECTED AS A 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

Ansonia is one of 20 districts in the State selected as a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center. This special designation has allowed us to initiate an after school program we are calling "The Charger Club".

The Ansonia Public Schools, the Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Naugatuck Valley, and Valley Regional Adult Education will combine efforts and present this free program, which offers academic assistance along with recreational and enrichment programs to 100 students in Grades 6-8 and events designed for our parents to support their children. The first program day was held Nov. 4, 2009.

The goal of The Charger Club is to provide students with reinforcement in reading, writing, math and science skills. In addition, a significant amount of the student's time will also focus on nutrition, wellness and physical fitness activities at the Boys & Girls Club. We sponsored an Open House for parents at the Clubhouse on Nov. 19. Information about our next parent event will be in our February newsletter.

Our hope is to provide our students with a well-rounded program that will help them "Soar Beyond Expectations".

### The dedicated Charger Club Staff Members are:

Daphne Burnett	Carol Pavone
Christa Cable	Lisa Porcelli
Melissa Cook	Jim Queen
Eileen Ehman	Dawn Schwarz
Jill Kellogg	Jessica Siegrist
Jeanine Laviano	Melander Taylor
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Tim Lynch	Deborah Trethewey
Kathleen McCullough	Chris Tuccio
Martin Pascale	Diana Walker
	Sandra Winokur



Pictured: The gymnasium at The Boys & Girls Club

### *Dates to Note for December/January*

There will be no program on the following days due to holidays or early dismissal days:

December: 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> thru 31<sup>st</sup>

January: 1<sup>st</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>

*Also...*

Due to parent-teacher conferences, there will be no academic program for Mead on December 14<sup>th</sup> and no academic program for Prendergast and Ansonia Middle School on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Students will go directly to the Clubhouse on those days.

### *In the Event of Inclement Weather*

*This program will not be held if school is cancelled or dismissed early due to inclement weather. Notifications about Ansonia Public Schools are made to the following TV and Radio Stations:*

WTNH Channel 8	WICC 600 AM
WFSB Channel 3	WELI 960 AM
WVIT Channel 30	WPLR 99 FM
WTIC 1080 AM/96.5 FM	WEZN 99.9 FM

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