

November 5, 2021

Dear Lamoille North Families and Staff,

I write today with some updates for you from our community partners. Healthy Lamoille Valley is sponsoring a free virtual parent workshop by Technicool. Parents/Caregivers will learn about some ways to keep youth safe in digital environments and strategies to help youth with concerning behaviors around technology use. Please find all necessary information about this workshop, including how to register in the flyer below.



This week, we are putting a spotlight on one of our other community partners, the Lamoille County Food Share. This is a nonprofit group of volunteers dedicated to providing food for Lamoille County community members. They have a pantry located at 197 Harrel Street in Morrisville, next door to the Community College of Vermont, where families can come and receive basic food and other grocery items.

Once again, Lamoille County Food Share will be running a Thanksgiving giveaway as a drivethru event. Please read the following details from their newsletter:

"We will be open Thursday, November 18, Friday, November 19, Saturday, November 20, Monday, November 22, Tuesday, November 23, and Wednesday, November 24, from 9-11:30 am for our Thanksgiving giveaway. There is no sign up needed. We will be operating as a drivethru. There will be cones outside the pantry to direct you. Pull up your car and you will receive a bag of nonperishables, a turkey breast and baked goods as we have them. You are welcome to pick up for more than one family at a time, just let us know when you arrive".

In other news, we hosted our second Public Forum last Tuesday and the recording of that event is available <u>HERE</u>. We thank our friends at Healthy Lamoille Valley for speaking about programs and services for Lamoille students and families.

In addition, I had the privilege of meeting again with our Community Advisory Group, which is largely made up of parents/caregivers from each of our towns. One member mentioned that November, in particular, is considered a month of "thankfulness" and that it would be wonderful for anyone and everyone to publicly thank our school employees for the work they do with students and families every day. I, for one, am very thankful for the dedication, kindness, and expertise of the people who come to work each day, no matter their role, eager to serve, care for and actively engage with our students. I consider myself fortunate to be surrounded by such wonderful people and cannot thank them enough for their work.

As always, I hope that you all have a wonderful weekend. Remember to turn your clocks back by one hour!

My best to you,

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