



December 22, 2023

Dear Lamoille North Families and Staff:

As we prepare for our winter break, please take a moment to note some important dates below:



December 25, 2023, through January 1, 2024, Winter Break for All LNSU Schools

January 3, 2024, Cambridge School Board Meeting, 6:00 pm

January 4, 2024, Driver's Education Parent Meeting, Lamoille Union High School, Room A210, 6:00 pm

January 8, 2024, LNSU/LNLMUUSD Special Board Meeting, GMTCC, 6:30 pm

****Please make sure you check for updated changes or additions to dates of events listed on your school(s) website. Your school website is updated daily.***



In school news, I want to take a moment to acknowledge those impacted again by our most recent flooding and school closure. We recognize that whether directly or indirectly impacted by this week's events, there is anxiety and fear and it is reminiscent of what our towns and residents experienced this past July. It also is a poignant reminder that things outside our control can occur with little warning. The aftermath of these events can include emotional distress and financial burdens for those impacted. Community members are once again coming together to provide support, showcasing resilience amid adversity. In addition, we faced several school closures and an unexpected early dismissal due to power outages as a result of the forces of our weather. While I know cancellations and closures result in disruptions, the understanding and support our school has received is truly commendable. As always, our school teams are here to respond and will work with you to determine how to access whatever you might need. Please reach out to your building Principal with questions or to get help with navigating a system of supports for you and your family.



In other school news, and per information you received in my late summer newsletter, we are pleased to welcome to LNSU Deputy Chris Turner, School Resource Officer (SRO) and parent of three children in our schools, who will join Deputy Warren Lyon, SRO at the middle and high school, to offer supports to all of our students and families. Both Warren and Chris will make visits to each of our schools during the second week in January to meet our students and staff. Principals will reach out to families to confirm dates and times of their visits, with an invitation for you to come to the school in your town to meet them should your schedules allow. We are fortunate to have Warren and Chris in our schools and they will spend much of their time getting to know our students and serve as a home/school liaison for our families.



Lastly, as we approach our December break, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for the incredible efforts and dedication that our staff and each member of our school community have demonstrated since the beginning of the school year. This season is a time for reflection, mixed emotions and a range of feelings, but also an opportunity to appreciate the achievements and work we have done together as a community. Our students have shown determination and

resilience, our staff have been unwavering in their commitment to our students and families, and our parents and caregivers have played a critical role in supporting our shared mission of nurturing our students, from our youngest to those who will soon graduate. As 2023 comes to a close and we look ahead to 2024, I hope you are able during this break to spend time with those you love doing the things you love.

In closing, wherever you find yourselves this holiday season, and honoring whatever traditions you choose, I wish you all a safe, healthy and relaxing school break. I look forward to seeing all of our students on Tuesday, January 2, 2024!

My best to you,

Catherine Gallagher, M.Ed.
Superintendent of Schools
Lamoille North Supervisory Union