

Pittsford Central Schools

Parent Notification of Live Animals Coming Home From School

Your child's teacher would like to send home a _____ for a visit (or to keep following a science unit). Due to safety concerns regarding the possibility of contracting salmonella or other infectious diseases from certain animals, Pittsford Central Schools has developed guidelines for animals in its schools. Your child's classroom teacher will provide instructions to your child on the appropriate handling of the animals and hand washing procedures.

Because of the increased susceptibility to diseases, we recommend that immunocompromised children (e.g. children with cancer, HIV, organ transplants, or other diseases that suppress the immune system, or on immunosuppressive drugs, like steroids or those used in chemotherapy) do **not** bring any animal home from school.

If your child is immunocompromised, has an animal allergy or other issue related to animals, please contact the classroom teacher or school nurse.