

September 30, 2022

Dear SAU 90 Staff and Families,

Monday, October 2 is Custodian Appreciation Day! We would like to extend our sincere wishes and gratitude to Facilities Manager, Mr. Keith Lessard and his staff for helping to maintain the safety and cleanliness of our buildings. We recognize the difficult and challenging job they do each and every day. We are happy and appreciative that they are here with all of us ensuring our safety and well-being! Mr. Lessard and staff, thank you for the work that you do! Their hard work and efforts do not go unnoticed.

During our in-service day on September 21, staff had the opportunity to receive training from the Connor's Climb foundation. The purpose of this required yearly training is to help all staff members become aware of the signs associated with suicide. The mission of the organization is to provide suicide prevention education to New Hampshire youth and the community. They strive to raise awareness, reduce the stigma around mental health, and equip youth, educators, and communities with the tools and resources needed. Later next month on Thursday, October 20, we will host a training for parents and the community from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Hampton Academy Auditorium. Please plan to join us. More information can be found [here](#).

This past Tuesday evening we hosted our Safety Forum in collaboration with our community partners. This included Hampton Police and Fire, SAU 21, and Sacred Heart. The purpose of this evening was to share our ongoing work including the review of the New Hampshire School Safety Preparedness Task Force Report that was conducted during our leadership retreat this summer. As a result of this joint effort, we have been able to prioritize goals and objectives for the coming school year. We appreciate our partnership and outreach with Chief Hobbs of Hampton Police Department, Chief McMahon of Hampton Fire and Rescue, Sacred Heart Principal Maegan Koelker, SAU Assistant Superintendent David Hobbs, Hampton School Board, SAU 90 Leadership Team, SAU 90 Mental Health Team, SAU 90 Families, and staff for working together on behalf our community's safety.

We have some good news to share with you! It has been our goal to be able to provide you with before and after school day care in our facilities through our partnership with the Exeter Area YMCA. As you are aware, this program has been on hold due to staffing constraints. We are excited to share that Anthony Panciocco, Director of Child Care Services, informed us that he is able to secure a director and staff for the Marston School location. At this time, there are a number of students who are wait-listed and they will be given priority. However, we anticipate being able to continue to grow the program through increased staffing with more availability to our families. Please be on the lookout for more information, and if you have any questions, please reach out to Anthony at the YMCA at 603-319-5942 or [anthony@sdymca.org](mailto:anthony@sdymca.org).

In closing, it has been a pleasure to visit with Centre School students this week! It is so exciting to see all of our students participating in fall sports, attending field trips, and involved with their after-school activities! It has certainly been a very exciting first month of the school year! Thank you for your continued support and partnership. And remember to light up the night this evening in support of ending childhood cancer.

Gratefully,  
Dr. Lois B. Costa  
Superintendent of SAU 90

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