

November 4, 2022

Dear SAU 90 Staff and Families,

As we move into the month of November, remember to turn your clocks back this Sunday as daylight savings time officially comes to an end. This means sunrise and sunset will be about an hour earlier each day with more light in the morning. We know what this means for our afternoons! With this change, it will be important to be mindful of our children playing, riding their bikes, and walking around the town as there will be fewer minutes of daylight right up until winter solstice, the shortest day of the year, which is officially on December 21.

This month, all parents will have the opportunity to attend parent conferences. We look forward to these opportunities to work with our families to discuss their child's progress and their overall well-being as it pertains to their growth and success. This year, parents will have a choice of virtual or in-person meetings. Should you choose to participate in a virtual meeting, we ask that you adhere to all district and state laws and policies around videotaping of these meetings. As a friendly reminder, it is illegal to use any device to record communications without the consent of everyone in the conversation. This is to ensure and protect the privacy of all involved. Should you have any further questions regarding these important meetings, please feel free to reach out to your child's school.

Last week, sixth grade students participated in environmental camp. It was a terrific week for our newest middle school students with lots of personal and academic growth. However, there was a COVID-19 breakout at the camp or cluster of students that tested positive as indicated by our positive numbers this week. As a result, we have worked with the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services and put safeguards in place at Hampton Academy to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students. This included recommendations of mask wearing, wiping desks between classes, cohorting students, and increasing the sanitizing of areas. We are asking that anyone who has any symptoms of COVID-19 which include cold and flu-like symptoms to kindly stay home and to please get tested for COVID-19. In addition, there has been an increase in RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) cases in children which infects lungs and breathing passages. If you or your child experiences any of these symptoms, please follow the recommendations of your physician. The health and safety of our community is contingent upon everyone doing their part. Finally, our nurses have provided more information on RSV which is included below.

At this time, we are still seeking to build our substitute pool for our schools. If you love our students and are looking for part-time work with a very flexible schedule that aligns with the school calendar, this could be just the right opportunity for you. Currently the rate of pay for classroom teachers/professionals is \$105 a day while the rate for para educators is \$11.50 an hour. If you are interested in applying, please see the attachment.

Finally, next Tuesday is election day! Our polls in Hampton are open at Winnacunnet High School from 7 AM to 8 PM. We hope you will participate in the process and vote!

Remember to fall back this weekend...

Warmly,
Dr. Lois B. Costa

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