



Friday, April 19, 2023

Dear Lamoille North Families and Staff,

Please note important upcoming events set forth below:



April 19, 2023, LNSU/LNMOUSD Finance & Capital Committee Virtual Meeting, 6:00 pm, [AGENDA](#)

April 20, 2023 – Cambridge Elementary School, Author Visit, Ashley Wolff

April 20, 2023 – Lamoille Union Middle School, 6th Grade Parent Night, 5:30-6:30 pm

April 21, 2023 – Cambridge Elementary School, Celebration of Learners, 8:20 am

April 21, 2023 – Johnson Elementary School, Kindergarten Grandparents' Day

April 21, 2023 – Johnson Elementary School, School Dance, 6:00-8:00 pm

April 21, 2023 – Lamoille Union Middle School, Medic Benefit Tournament

April 22, 2023 – Lamoille Union Middle School, Lamoille Union Kids Dance Clinic, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

April 24-28, 2023 – LNSU Spring Break

April 25-30, 2023 – Lamoille Union High School, International Club Trip to the Grand Canyon

May 8, 2023 – LNSU, Lamoille Valley Vape Awareness Town Hall, GMTCC, 7:00 pm. Click [HERE](#) to register.



This past Saturday, Lamoille Union High School won the Vermont Scholastic Chess Championship by half a point over rival St. Johnsbury Academy. The team was led by top scorers, Isaac Stebbins, Jayden Wheeler, and Merlin Gwozdz, whose heroic win in the last round clinched the team victory. Levi Cole and Truman Bates also had notable performances that contributed to the result. LUHS had a

record 10 students entered in the event. Also participating in the grueling five-round tournament were Jaimen Lee, Rowan Albee, Michael Center, Cayden Torrey and Connor Lamothe. The team practices for this tournament all year and is coached by Social Studies Teacher, Eric Hutchins, and paraeducator, Michael Caiafa, who was an original member of the LUHS Chess Team when they first participated in this event in 2013. Click [HERE](#) for a full listing of the final team and individual standings for the tournament.



Please see the following information from our community partner, Healthy Lamoille Valley:

"It is time for Healthy Lamoille Valley's bi-annual community and parent surveys, an opportunity to help create a safe and supportive place for youth. These surveys provide valuable information about underage substance use issues in our community and what can be done to help. Who can use the results of these surveys? You can! Survey findings will be available on the Healthy Lamoille Valley website starting in mid May. Results can be used to:

- *Understand issues around underage substance use in your community*
- *See what areas need work like increasing awareness of health risks or finding new ways to support and value youth*

This year our raffle prize is pizza and a movie from the local vendors of your choice, worth up to \$120! Complete at least one of our surveys to be entered to win one of four prize packages. Drawing on May 1st."

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023-community>

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023-parent>

Please click [HERE](#) for news from Working Communities Challenge of Lamoille partner, Emily Rosenbaum.

In school and community partner news, we invite you to join us on May 8th, 2023, for the Lamoille Valley Vape Awareness Town Hall. We have received feedback from families requesting education about vaping, vape devices and impacts to health, and are very excited to co-host this evening with our community partner, Healthy Lamoille Valley. The event will take place from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Community Education Center at GMTCC. Food and childcare will be provided.



The Town Hall is an opportunity to hear from health professionals from Healthy Lamoille Valley and school leaders from Lamoille North. The event on May 8th is a chance to learn about the rise of vaping, its health impacts, the ways in which Lamoille North is preventing its use within our student body, and what we can all do to make our communities as safe and healthy as possible.

Registration is available [HERE](#).



Let's Talk: Take our Lamoille North Communication Survey

We need your input! As we work to dial in our communication efforts across our Supervisory Union, we want to know how and where you turn for information. Please take our short survey [HERE](#) to let us know how we can better communicate our updates and the great learning and opportunities happening across Lamoille North.

Lastly, I continue to be so grateful for our Lamoille North community members and the strong relationships we have built together. We appreciate your support for our work with your children and youth. Thank you again for your collaboration, compassion and dedication to the wellbeing of our students, staff and families. I hope all of you have a spring break!

On a similar note, I will be away beginning Thursday, April 20, 2023, until Sunday, April 30, 2023. In my absence, please feel free to reach out to Jennifer Hulse, Director of Student Support Services, for any student concerns at jhulse@insd.org, or (802) 851-1178, and to Deb Clark, Business Manager, at dclark@insd.org, or (802) 851-1161, for all other issues.

My best to you,

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Lamoille North Supervisory Union