

Good Evening Valley View Families,

This weekend's weather has become more seasonable in terms of temperature, but beautiful nonetheless. Hopefully you've been able to enjoy it.

This week, 11/16 - 11/20, is American Education Week! We will be celebrating all week long and may even get a couple of special guests to tour the building! Each day, Valley View will celebrate a different aspect of education that makes our school GREAT! Please take a look at the schedule of events below.

Monday - Kick Off Day - Be a T.I.G.E.R (wear your best Tiger gear)

Tuesday - Family Day

Wednesday - Education Support Professionals Day

Thursday - Educator for a Day

Friday - Substitute Day

On Tuesday November 24th Valley View will be holding Parent / Teacher Conferences. These meetings are being held virtually, either through a Google Meet or via phone. Teachers have put up their sign up lists for this day. If you haven't already signed up, please make sure to do so as soon as possible. We will NOT have school on this day.

Valley View will be on Thanksgiving Break from November 25th through November 29th. We will NOT have school during this break.

As the holidays near, it is important to keep in mind the DHHS guidelines we are following as a school district. If you travel outside of the New England states or have people stay with you from outside of the New England states, you will need to self quarantine for 14 days. New DHHS guidance states, individuals in this situation are also able to self quarantine for 7 days and then take a COVID-19 test. If the results come back negative, you are able to return to school. It is important we keep this guidance in mind as we continue to create as safe of an environment as we can for everyone in the Valley View community.

As we begin to get deeper and deeper into the cold and flu season, it is important to keep in mind that if your child needs to stay home sick for the day, you MUST contact the main office to let them know. Contacting your classroom teacher via email or Class Dojo is not enough. You need to contact the main office for all call outs, dismissals, etc.

The Farmington PTA is currently looking for new members, including ambitious folks who would like to take on board positions. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new people in the Farmington schools community while providing Farmington students experiences they may not have had the chance to experience otherwise. The PTA does everything from organizing fundraisers to putting on community events to establishing scholarships for graduating seniors. Don't miss out on becoming part of this fabulous group! The PTA's next meeting will be held on Wednesday December 9th at 6:30 pm. Please stay tuned for the virtual meeting link.

The Farmington School District will be holding a Strategic Design in January. The dates and times are:

**January 8th: 4pm-8pm**

**January 9th: 8:30-3pm**

**January 16th 8:30-12:30pm**

This is a process that brings members of the greater community together, where everyone works to develop the outcomes and direction for our district as it moves forward. Anyone who wants to join would need to commit to all 3 days. It will be fully digital through Zoom so you don't have to physically come into the building for those timeframes.

If you have already registered you do not need to register again. Here is the registration link:  
<https://forms.gle/JiHvRu4kdyPLj1mQ6>

As we get closer to the holiday season, Valley View hopes you and your family stays safe and healthy.

Have a great day!