

Dear CES Families.

I would like to provide a brief summary of the most recent changes in our COVID response strategies as mandated by the Vermont Agency of Education and Vermont Department of Health. We have pivoted to a "test at home" model utilizing antigen rapid tests that were provided to us by the Vermont Agency of Education. Below is information taken directly from the VT AOE's COVID resource webpage.

In 2022, the way testing for COVID-19 looks in Vermont schools will be different. These changes are necessary due to the speed at which the Omicron variant transmits. Many of the tools that we have used successfully in the past are no longer a good use of resources because they cannot keep pace with how quickly Omicron spreads.

Vermont schools will be shifting gears from contact tracing and PCR surveillance tests to rapid antigen tests, which will be distributed to

households so that families can test students at home. This program decreases the burden on schools while still allowing unvaccinated students who have been in close contact to someone with COVID-19 to access home-based antigen tests. Vaccinated students can also receive test kits

to test at home if they have an exposure in school or in the community.

Test at Home Program Basics

- 1. CES learns of a positive case in a student or staff member.
- 2. CES notifies students/families that there is a case in their class. Classmates are considered "presumptive contacts."
- 3. CES makes take home antigen tests available to presumptive contacts based on vaccination status. Families will receive a link to a google form that can be used to order tests from the school.
- 4. The start date for Test at Home is based on the date the school was notified or learned of a positive case.
- 5. Schools may also make tests available to "close contacts" through community exposure and ongoing household contacts to allow students/staff to attend schools
- Who gets what? 2 Tests Vaccinated students, staff with a booster or the primary series within 5 months 5 Tests Unvaccinated students, staff who have not received their primary series or are more than 5 months out from their primary series and have not yet had a booster

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Regardless of vaccinated status, if your child has tested positive for COVID 19 in the past 90 days, they should follow the same guidance for vaccinated individuals.

Presumptive contacts do not need to otherwise quarantine during their testing periods.

Close contacts to a case outside of school are recommended to quarantine according to Vermont Department of Health guidance, but may attend school.

Participation in testing is voluntary, but strongly recommended.

When we determine presumptive contacts, I will continue to notify families through the use of robo calls and emails. The link to the test order form will be included in the email notification.

That's it in a nut shell! Our hope is that our case counts continue to lessen forever more! We appreciate everyone's continued cooperation knowing that each and every one of us has been ready to move on from this nightmare for a long time!

Do not hesitate to reach out to Nurse Reed or me with any questions!

Have a wonderful weekend!
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Our decrease in COVID cases allowed me to once again travel to NCAL with two hardworking, compassionate sixth graders- Lucius Batten and Bodhi Spanier! While we were at NCAL, the boys folded laundry, swept the lobby, and played with a very sweet cat named Berry. There are currently several, very nice cats available for adoption at NCAL most of whom traveled to our state from the deep south where stray animals are unfortunately more plentiful. Great job boys!





CES continues to have job openings for a variety of positions:

K-6 Instructional Assistant, Permanent Position

Find out more and apply at the link below or complete an application which is available at the end of this message.

https://www.schoolspring.com/job.cfm?jid=3718016&print&preview

Substitutes for teachers and instructional assistants - \$17.86 an hour

Substitute Nurse - \$30 an hour for licensed RN's.

Apply for any of these positions using the application found in the link below.

https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1581537580/lnsuorg/af52yccaf7bud3yjtxkz/APPLICATIONFOREMPLOYMENTrev920191.pdf

In an effort to streamline communication with our nurse's office, our main office, and classroom teachers, we are asking families to report student absences to this <u>online form</u>. You can alway find a button to this form on our school website under the "Families Tab". Additionally, you can save this paper and use the QR code to link directly to the form. You can even "Add to Home Screen" on your smartphone to create a quick app. Thank you for your cooperation and partnership!* Open up your camera app and scan this QR code. A pop-up will appear at the top of your screen, press on it to have the CES Absentee Form appear.









No School: Feb 21-March 1, return to school is Wed. March 2.

Early Release at 11:30: Thursday, March 17.

No School: Friday, March 18

Upcoming Lunch Menu

Monday: Grilled cheese & soup

Tuesday: General Tso chicken

Wednesday:Cheesy breadsticks

Thursday: Oven roasted turkey

Friday: NO SCHOOL

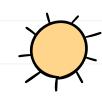


Dear CES Community, Today I will again be sending out notices regarding overdue library books. I know that many of our students have been absent often for a week or more. Please treat these notices just as an FYI. Do not feel that you need to return books until your child returns to school. As always, please contact me if you have any questions. Morgan Baumann CES Librarian

COMMUNITY UPDATES:







For the latest on COVID-19 please visit our website:

https://www.healthvermont.gov/response/coronavirus-covid-19

If you need IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE for an urgent COVID-19 issue over the weekend or after hours of 4:30pm and before 7:45am, please call the EPI Hotline at 802.863.7240. Option #7

This is a 24/7 Hotline and the answering service will take your information and the COVID-19 on call staff will return your call.

WINTERFEST 2022-TOMORROW, January 29th

Get ready to celebrate WINTER! Some WinterFest events are the same and some are a little different this year, so review the schedule below.

- 8:00-11:00a <u>Drive Thru</u> PIE FOR BREAKFAST. \$5 for 2 slices of pie and a cup of coffee. Cambridge Area Rotary.
 - 2:00-3:00p CROSS COUNTRY RAMBLE with Vintage Skis at Smuggs Nordic Center. Bring your own skis, Free Trail Passes for the day. Smugglers' Notch Resort.
 - 4:30-6:30p Drive Thru LASAGNA DINNER. Cambridge Rescue. See next slide for more info.
- 4:30-7:00p BONFIRE & Flag Retirement. Scout Troop 39.

At Cambridge Elementary School unless noted. Events subject to change. Please wear a mask.



Cambridge Rescue Squad Lasagna Dinner (Take Out Only) January 29, 2022

Cost is \$8 for adults, \$6 for Senior Citizens - 65 and over, \$5 for 12 and under Orders are taken from 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Place order by calling 802-644-2113 Pick up is from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at Cambridge Elementary School the white doors at the front of the building Free delivery for senior citizens and the handicap only within a 4 mile radius of Cambridge Elementary School

All proceeds benefit the Cambridge Rescue Squad

Registration for our Spring SOCCER Competitive league is now open.

The Cambridge/Lancer Youth Soccer Club is a volunteer organization. We are in need of Coaches and Board Members. Please consider volunteering so we can keep this great sport going in our community.

If you are interested in volunteering please reach out to Harley Johnson, Club President at hjohnson@smuggs.com. We have several roles available with varying commitments. I am sure we can find a role that meets your time and schedule!

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING!!

If you have already played Spring 2021 or Fall 2021 Soccer with the Cambridge/Lancer Youth Soccer Club you should already have an account. Click on the below link and register your child. Be sure to check all of your emergency information and provide the email address that you would like notifications to go to.

If you have NOT already played Spring or Fall Soccer in the year 2021 you will need to create a new log in and account for the GotSport Platform.

Deadline to register is February 1st.

Follow the links. If you need any assistance please click on support on your screen before contacting Harley. There are several tutorials and helpful videos to help you with your registration.

U8-U12 Players \$80

U13-U16 Players \$100

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

The Spring Soccer uniform consists of a Blue Lancer Soccer Club shirt, grey shorts and socks. All of these items will be available for you to purchase in the coming weeks as well as other fan wear. You are responsible for ordering your own uniform. Uniforms will be delivered to the club uniform coordinator who will sort them by team and will be given to your coaches. More information to come in the next few weeks.

Coaches!

We need coaches for each team. If you are interested please reach out to Harley Johnson at hjohnson@smuggs.com. If we do not have a coach for an age group we will not be able to have a team.

We need YOUR help this spring! Girls on the Run is an impactful and inclusive after-school program that empowers students to know their worth. When you coach a Girls on the Run team, you provide skill-building experiences to nurture participants' physical, social and emotional health. You help your team build positive relationships, identify and manage emotions, set and achieve goals, recognize their personal strengths, and stand up for themselves and others.

Cambridge Elementary's 8 week season begins the week of March 28. Our team will meet twice weekly for 90 minutes to connect, move, learn and have FUN! As a coach for Girls on the Run Vermont (GOTRVT), you will have all of the tools you need to make a lasting impact. You'll receive training, easy-to-follow lesson plans, supplies and support from GOTRVT for a transformational season.

Visit <u>gotrvt.org/coach</u> to learn more or sign up to volunteer. Questions? Contact GOTRVT at info@girlsontherunvermont.org or 802-871-5664.

PLAY BALL!

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

In Lamoille County





Programs for girls and boys ages 4 -12 All Skill Levels

Coaches/Volunteers Welcome

EARLY REGISTRATION OPENS FEB 1

Check the LCLL Facebook for details https://www.facebook.com/baseandsoftball or email lamoillecountyll@gmail with questions.

NCAL Wish List:

Animal Supplies:

Dog and Cat food (wet and dry)
Puppy and kitten food

Soft and hard treats Nyla bones

Dog and cat toys

Boneless/skinless Chicken
Peanut Butter

Other supplies:

Office supplies

Gift Cards
Hand sanitizer

shelter

Paper towels
Dish soap (any kind)

Dishwasher soap

Dryer sheets

Trash bags Bleach and Laundry detergent



Our collection box is located on the main lobby bench. Our sixth grade NCAL volunteers will deliver all donations to the animal

FREE VIRTUAL WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS and CAREGIVERS! Click this link: www.lamoillefamilycenter.org to register for this very important workshop on keeping our youth safe on the internet!

FREE VIRTUAL PARENT WORKSHOP

TECHNICOOL

Keeping Kids Safe on the Internet



Join Presenter Joy Kitchell of PCAVT to explore:

- digital risks for children
- ways to keep youth safe online
- strategies to help with concerning digital behaviors



Monday February 7
6PM via Zoom

Funding is provided by the Vermont Child Development Division and the Green Mountain Fund of the Vermont Communit, Foundation. Lamoille Valley Playgroups: Grab your mask and connect with local families!

Mondays: Open-gym "movement playgroup
9:30-11, River Arts, Morrisville

Tuesdays: Outdoor playgroup 9:30-11, Old Mill Park, Johnson

Thursdays: Traditional playgroup 9:30–11, United Church of Johnson

For more info: Lamoille Family Center 888-5229 Coming later in the fall: Swim groups at NVU pool