

The Update

Southern Valley Unified Union School District Newsletter

Halifax and Readsboro Schools

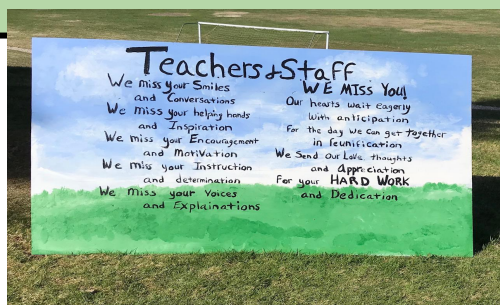
May 8, 2020



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



Principal's Note



This week was Teacher Appreciation Week.

There were many who reached out to our teachers and staff to thank them for the work they have been doing. I know that we all have been learning new skills, working crazy hours and worrying if we are reaching all of our students.

I want to make sure that you know how thankful we are to have all of you working hand in hand with us. You have taken on the role of teacher in your homes, you have struggled to navigate new learning platforms, you continue to encourage your children to do their best and to persevere through new routines and expectations.

None of this has been easy for any of us, however we need to acknowledge how hard we have **all** worked, and know that as we reach our half way mark in distance learning we have gained a better understanding of each other, and the work that we do.

Thank you, we appreciate all that you have done and are doing. Thank you teachers and staff, I can't imagine a better group of people to work with.

Happy Teacher's Appreciation Week to us all!

2020-2021 School Calendar



Specific plans about the Fall are underway and we hope that we will all be returning to school. I do expect that there will be many changes, and that school will not look exactly as it has in past years. We will keep all of you updated as we get guidance from the Agency of Education.

Next year's school calendar is linked below. There is a statement that is located at the bottom of the calendars which states: *This calendar may be changed based on the AOE and/or the Governor's directives for the 2020-2021 school year.*

There are two calendars for the SVUUSD district. Please read [the memo](#) from the WSWSU Board Chair explaining the minor differences.

Calendars:

[Southern Valley at Readsboro](#)

[Southern Valley at Halifax](#)


Student Work



My brain is for me
It shows me colors I can see
It helps me feel pain
So I can stay arranged!
I've got nerves and
I've got neurons,
Who are gossip queens
They tell my brain everything,
Even when to scream!
~Brooke

Blossoming-your brain is forever blossoming by learning new things
Responsible-for everything you do
Amazing-it holds on to memories, makes decisions, and more!
Interesting-it makes you able to do anything!
Numerous-the things it can do!

~Katje



A nice morning
Nature is singing and dancing
Mornings are so peaceful

~Matthew

Birds fly north again
With them they bring the spring sun
Here to raise their young

~Chanah

Community News and Resources

New menu starting May 18th

Monday

Cereal, fruit,juice,milk
Chicken tender wrap, fruit,veggie,
milk & treat

Tuesday

Granola bar, fruit,juice,milk
Quesadillas, fruit,veggie,milk &
treat

Wednesday

Yogurt parfait,juice,milk
Chicken caesar
wraps,fruit,veggie,milk & treat

Thursday

Bagel, juice, fruit, milk
Taco salad, fruit,veggie,milk & treat

Friday

Banana bread,yogurt,juice,milk
Italian combo,fruit,veggie,milk &
treat

Free Breakfast

Free breakfast sandwiches are available to kids on Saturdays and Sundays starting in May., and going through June. Just come down to the Retreat Farm in Brattleboro between 9 am - 12 pm
For more information email Jim at CherryRailFarm@gmail.com.



BROADBAND VERMONT SURVEY

The AOE hopes that you can help assist with efforts to collect broadband data by encouraging teachers, support staff and students' families to respond to the following survey. Here is the link to the survey and map: [Interactive Broadband Map and Survey](#). School district can refer families who need broadband to the Consumer Affairs and Public Information Division (CAPI) at 1-800-622-4496 . Families can obtain assistance with filling out the map and survey at the phone number.

Please help get this information to the State- share the survey with friends and neighbors.

Southeastern VT COVID-19 Resources for Individuals

The information through this link provides support in a variety of areas that families might find

helpful. Areas such as:

[WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CORONAVIRUS?](#)
[MEDIA RESOURCES](#)
[REQUEST HELP](#)
[VOLUNTEER TO HELP OR DONATE](#)
[BASIC NEEDS](#)
[CHILDCARE](#)
[FOOD ACCESS](#)
[GARDENING RESOURCES](#)
[HOUSING](#)
[UTILITIES](#)
[HEALTHCARE CENTERS - Please call first](#)
[PHARMACIES](#)
[SUPPLIES](#)
[WIFI & INTERNET CONNECTIONS](#)
[FINANCIAL RESOURCES](#)
[UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS](#)
[SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES](#)
[BUSINESS RESOURCES](#)
[FARMING ASSISTANCE](#)
[ARTIST & ARTS ORGANIZATION ASSISTANCE](#)
[MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY RESOURCES](#)
[EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES](#)
[LIBRARIES](#)
[LEGAL RESOURCES](#)
[CONTACT INFO FOR ORGANIZERS](#)
[RESOURCES FOR PERSONAL RESILIENCY](#)

Please remember the [SVUUSD webpage](#) will keep you informed of any state memos, and or announcements on the State, District and School Newsletter section. The District has created a [E learning website](#) that provides more detail as to the process that we are engaging in for distance learning, this too will be updated and teachers websites can be accessed under the [Scho](#)