

August 21, 2014

Dear Parents,

Our school did not achieve Adequate Yearly Progress this year. While many students did well on the NECAP assessments, the success of ALL students is of great concern to us. As a result, the school is required to provide Supplemental Education services (extra academic assistance/ tutoring outside of the school day) **free of charge** to eligible students to improve academic performance. If you are eligible and choose to participate, you will be able to research and select a program that best fits your child's needs. This letter explains the services, tells you how to access them and also offers ideas about how to be involved at our school.

Eligibility: Per the law, **only children who are eligible for free or reduced-priced federal meals can participate.** If you have not previously applied for the free and reduced-price federal meals program or if your financial situation has changed, please return the Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application along with the application for Supplemental Educational Services. You will find a link to the application on the Lamoille North Supervisory Union home page: www.lnsu.org.

If you believe you are eligible for the free/reduced lunch program, but you do not wish to participate in the program itself, your child can still receive services under this letter if you provide evidence that you would be eligible.

You get to choose: One of the most important features of Supplemental Education Services is that families are the ones who will make choices for their children. You can choose among different types of services given by different providers at different locations.

Service Providers: The Vermont Department of Education has approved a list of eligible providers. The attached list includes the providers and their locations. You can also access this list online at http://education.vermont.gov/documents/EDU-SES_Vermont_Approved_Providers.pdf. **By law, you cannot use a provider who is not on this year's list.**

Limited services available: There is a cap on the resources we are able to provide each student.

Transportation: The school is not required to provide transportation, nor are we able to do so.

Priority for lower-achieving students: In compliance with federal law, we will give first priority to the lowest achieving students. This achievement level will be based on the student's scores on the NECAP.

Application deadline: If you decide you want to enroll your student in the Supplemental Educational Services program, you must indicate your interest by contacting **Jeffrey Lindgren** by October 10, 2014. If we do not receive this form from you by then, your child may not be able to participate.

Notice date: We will let you know by October 31st if we have approved your application to have your child participate in the Supplemental Education Services program. At that time you will be asked to

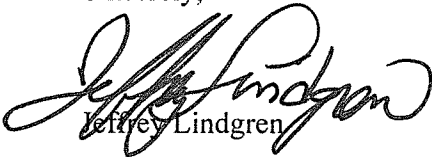
contact the program of your choice. Further details about this process will be provided in the eligibility mailing.

Questions: If you have questions about the Supplemental Educational Services program or would like guidance about providers, please contact **Jeffrey Lindgren**.

What we're doing to improve outcomes: We have implemented a number of changes to address the learning needs of the IEP and free and reduced subgroups, as well as all students.

- Changed the Schedule in order for students to receive additional support in literacy and mathematics
- Implemented the Responsive Classroom Model
- Trained teachers in Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports
- Participated in trainings in Multiple System of Supports (MTSS) sponsored by the Agency of Education
- Created Personal Learning Plans for all students
- Adopted an assessment system for students in literacy and mathematics
- Professional Development for teachers working with consultants in reading, writing and mathematics
- Ongoing training on the Common Core in literacy and mathematics preparing for the spring assessment called the Smarter Balance
- Purchased new updated common core resources in mathematics for the Bridges math program

Sincerely,



Jeffrey Lindgren

Principal