

Griswold Public Schools

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Dear Students, Parents, Faculty and Staff & Griswold Community:

We hope that this weekly community letter finds you all in good health and spirits. Griswold remains united in persevering through the twists and turns of this pandemic to grow stronger together. This is a good opportunity to remind everyone that washing hands frequently, maintaining social distance, and seeking medical help, if need be, are necessary and very important.

We remain committed to address the needs of the Town of Griswold. Should anyone need food, or if you have another unmet need, please contact the Griswold Senior Center for guidance and assistance. You may contact the center at 860-376-2064, or the Director of the Griswold Senior Center & Social Services, Tina Falck, at 860-884-5876. The Griswold Senior Center is grateful to all those who have contributed donations of gift cards, in small denominations, from Walmart, Target, or Walgreens to offer non-food assistance. Those individuals who are still interested in making a contribution should contact Ms. Falck directly. We regret to inform everyone that the St. Mary's Mobile Food Pantry, scheduled on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, has been suspended until further notice.

Griswold Public Schools continue to adapt to online teaching and learning. We thank you all for your cooperation and good will with this venture. The Griswold Public Schools website remains the key access point for the district's continuous learning plans, communications, and other sources of valuable information. This new virtual norm is far from perfect, and we encourage all students, parents, and guardians to contact our schools should you need help. Know that student privacy and confidentiality are of utmost importance, and, therefore, should this be a concern of any learner, parent, or guardian, we ask that you contact a building administrator. We also have to remind our learning community that our schools are not in direct, physical control of individual home settings; any remote learning location; and participating students during this phase of virtual instruction and learning. Communication, therefore, is vitally important should there be any questions or concerns.

We are very grateful for the Griswold community, as we all benefit by standing together to support one another during this challenging time. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help. Enjoy your weekend.

Sincerely yours, Sincerely yours,

Sean P. McKenna, Todd Babbitt,

Superintendent of Schools First Selectman, Town of Griswold