



"We shall provide an equitable and challenging educational opportunity for each learner in a district that is safe, healthy, caring, respectful, and supportive."

KEARSARGE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT—SAU #65

October 2016 NEWSLETTER



A half century ago, who could have foreseen a classroom of highly motivated and enthusiastic elementary students using ipads to solve math problems through interactive apps? Who would have believed that a middle school pupil could engage in scientific research using virtual Google Expeditions to experience marine lifeforms on the Great Barrier Reef of Australia while sitting in the school library? Who might have imagined that High School students learn about the structure of government by conducting skype interviews with a

congresswoman in Washington or practice their Spanish or French vocabulary by exchanging YouTube videos with friends in Chile, Spain, France, or Quebec?

A half century ago, seven communities came together to lay the foundation for such learning experiences to happen in our schools. On July 1, 1967, the towns of Bradford, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot officially began the operation of the Kearsarge Regional School District. It is therefore with great pride and excitement that we will be celebrating this golden anniversary during the 2016-17 school year. We will be looking back over the accomplishments of last five decades. As a district, we will be highlighting exceptional teaching strategies and unique program options, personalized learning opportunities, and co-curricular offerings the Kearsarge District provides for its 1,800 students. We will also focus on what we need to do today in order to shape the future of education for the next fifty years. For more information on "K-50" facts or activities, or if you wish to be personally involved, please visit the district website at www.kearsarge.org, check out the Kearsarge – SAU65 Facebook page, or contact us at K50@kearsarge.org.

In keeping with past tradition, the school district has once again adopted a Kearsarge "Word of the Year". This year's word is "QUALITY". We are committed to seek high quality in all we do as teachers, students, staff, and district. We challenge ourselves to deliver *quality of instruction* by asking how we can best reach, motivate, and teach every student. We aim to provide *quality of student experience* by making learning relevant, by creating excitement, by setting high expectations, and by safeguarding individual success wherever possible. In order to assure *quality of learning environments*, the district will continue to maintain and improve its facilities. Teachers will create classrooms that are conducive to learning and researching. We want to achieve *quality of learning outcomes* by giving our students the tools to be successful in a modern world. While facts and figures still are important, we will equip them with the ability to think, reason, judge, and make relevant decisions. Lastly, our commitment also is to *quality of community involvement and investment*. Creating and nurturing positive relationships with parents and other stakeholders in our seven communities will be the key for ongoing support of the mission and vision of the school district into a bright future.

~Winfried Feneberg, Superintendent of Schools ~ 114 Cougar Court, New London, NH 03257 ~ 603-526-2051 ~ www.kearsarge.org



10/1
KRHS—SAT TESTING

10/4
KRES @ NEW LONDON
PTO MTG 6:30 PM

10/5
KRMS & SIMONDS PTO
MTGS 6:30 PM

10/6 & 20
SCHOOL BOARD MTGS -
6:30 PM @ KLC

10/7
NO SCHOOL—TEACHER
WORK DAY

10/10
NO SCHOOL—
COLUMBUS DAY

ELEMENTARY FLU
CLINICS:
10/12
SUTTON & BRADFORD
10/13
KRES @ NEW LONDON

10/12
SUTTON CENTRAL PTO
MTG. -6:30 PM

10/13
SUTTON CENTRAL
OPEN HOUSE -6:00 PM

10/13
KRHS-PARENT/
TEACHER CONF. 5-9PM

10/16-11/4
KRMS- NATURE'S
CLASSROOM

10/18 & 25
MBC MTGS 6:30 PM
KLC

10/21
KRHS PROJECT CLIMB

10/27
KRMS MATH MEET @
LEBANON HS

HALLOWEEN PARADES:
10/28
KRES @ BRADFORD
10/31
KRES @ NEW LONDON,
SIMONDS & SUTTON