

CAROLINE

CONNECTION



Greetings Caroline Community!

Thank you to our grade level teams for your hard work this week and all semester. Our Pre-K classes visited Longview this week to spread cheer and smiles. Our Kindergartners concluded their Case Study and had their Celebration of Learning. The first graders are sharing their family traditions this week and next. Second graders have their Celebration of Learning next week and will present their Growing Readers Museum. The third graders welcomed Jay Leeming this week for storytelling. Our fourth grade team participated in their Project 4 Performance in collaboration with Holly Adams. Finally, the fifth graders are excited about sculpting and glazing pottery in art. It is so rewarding to see the product of so much hard work! Congratulations and thank you everyone.

Saturday is our PTA Winter Market. Come enjoy shopping local vendors and crafts.

CAROLINE SCHOOL SPIRIT WEEK IS NEXT WEEK -DECEMBER 17 - 21

The students voted and next week's theme days are as follows:

MONDAY - FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM DAY

TUESDAY - WINTER HAT DAY

WEDNESDAY - UGLY SWEATER/ FUNKY SOCK DAY

THURSDAY - SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY (RED & WHITE OR I AM NEEDED

SHIRT)

FRIDAY - PAJAMA DAY

December is a month during which many families celebrate a variety of holidays. Here are a few holidays celebrated in December and the countries of origin or the religions who primarily recognize them:

- Fiesta of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Mexican) - December 12
- St. Lucia Day (Swedish) - December 13
- Hanukkah (Jewish) - December 2 - 10
- Christmas Day (Christian) December 25
- Boxing Day (Australian, Canadian, English, Irish) - December 26
- Kwanzaa (African American)- December 26 - January 1
- Omisoka (Japanese)- December 31

To you and yours, Happy Hanukkah! Happy Kwanzaa! Merry Christmas! Happy Boxing Day! Happy New Year! Wishing my Caroline family a wonderful winter break and a chance to spend time with family and friends.

This is the last edition of the Caroline Connection for 2018. Have a safe and restful winter break! See you in 2019!

As always, thank you for sharing your children with us! We treasure them!

My best,

Karen Rachetta

December 13, 2018

VOLUME: 12

CALENDAR

December

14-Project 4 Performance
9:00-10:30

14-Kindergarten
Celebration of
Learning 1:00-1:40

15-Winter Market at
Caroline
(10:00-2:00)

17-PTA Breakfast with
Principal Rachetta at
7:45 a.m.

20- 2nd Grade Growing
Readers Museum

24-1/1/19 Winter Recess

Parents/Guardians:

Please provide your student(s) with proper winter gear. We only have a few spare pairs of gloves left to loan out, only a few sizes of boots, and only a few pairs of snow pants. Please assume your child is going outside for recess and have them properly clothed for the elements.

Thanks for your cooperation!



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RUNNING to PLACES
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Dear Friends,

Running to Places Theatre Company is delighted to kick off the holiday season with the family favorite – **ANNIE!**

This beloved musical tells the story of the plucky young orphan who never fails to believe that better times are "only a day away." Whether you're young or simply young-at-heart, we hope you will join us at the glorious State Theatre of Ithaca for a guaranteed good time – at our two evening performances or two matinees!

- **WHEN:** December 21-23, Fri & Sat at 7pm, Sat & Sun at 2pm
- **WHERE:** State Theatre of Ithaca (107 West State Street, Ithaca)
- **TICKETS:** \$15 Gen Ad / \$12 Students & Seniors / \$11 each for groups of 10+
- **HOW:** Visit www.runningtoplaces.org for more info. Get your tickets now...
 - > **VISIT:** State Theatre Box Office (105 West State Street, Ithaca)
 - > **CALL:** 607-277-8283
 - > **CLICK:** www.stateofithaca.com
- * **NOTE:** Convenience fees are not charged when tickets are purchased on the phone or in person at the box office.
- **BONUS:** Save 10% when you use the coupon code: **TOMORROW**

We're also thrilled to tell you that this show may be the last time we "run to places" to perform – we're in the process of building a home to call our very own! Work is currently underway to convert a portion of the former movie theatre complex at the Ithaca Mall into the new Running to Places Theatre – and we can't wait to have you there as our guests! By making a gift at www.runningtoplaces.org, you can help us finish the work and open our doors very soon!

Hope to see you soon at the show!


Joey Steinhagen,
R2P Founder and Artistic Director

ALSO THIS SEASON:
Newsies: February 7-17
Alice in Wonderland Jr: March 28-April 7
The Wiz: May 30-June 9
Mamma Mia: August 1-11



**YOU CAN IMPACT THE LIVES OF YOUNG PEOPLE
AND PROVIDE FOOD FOR OUR COMMUNITY WITH
A DONATION TODAY!**

AT THE YOUTH FARM WE ARE...

LEARNERS

We had over 1200 elementary students visit the farm in 2018! Every child that visits the farm eats a snack from the fields, learns about age appropriate social justice, honors Native Peoples, explores the farm, and PLAYS!



FARMERS

The farm yielded over 5.5 tons of produce in 2018! That's a lot of food! We grow collaboratively with help of the Teen Summer Program, volunteers, and community groups. It is then distributed throughout our community and schools!



COMMUNITY BUILDERS

The number and reach of our programs have increased tremendously this past year! We are growing food, side by side with youth, and getting to people who need it. Your support has been the foundation of our success thus far and we would not be where we are today without you! Right now, your support is critical to continue the breadth, depth, and high quality of our programming. Please make a donation today!



OUR MISSION:

We are dedicated to healing our food system through an anti-racist organizing lens by bringing youth from diverse backgrounds together to explore environmental and social injustice within the food system.

We believe that through critical thinking, meaningful work, and open learning we will all contribute to the healing of our food system, the Earth and ourselves.

The Youth Farm Project is a project of the Center for Transformative Action, a 501(c)3



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Season's Greetings! We are midway into another exciting year for the Fresh Snack Program. We are thrilled to be able to provide snacks to five schools in ICSD, which means over 1,500 children get to partake in healthy, fresh fruit and vegetable snacks a couple of times a week, each week of the school year!

The Fresh Snack Program provides a full serving of fresh produce to all students between meals in the classroom. Our menu has a focus on local and organic, and appealing combinations of fruits and veggies. We've heard from teachers, principals and parents that students have tried many new things, discovered new favorites, and learned fun facts about nutrition and food. Because these kids work so hard, learning and growing in their classrooms everyday, we love connecting students to local produce and nourishing fuel for their school day.

The Fresh Snack Program is funded by local foundations, fundraising events, and individuals like yourselves. If you can help pitch in for the cost of snack in your child's classroom, not only will we fully fund fresh snacks and our educational programs, but it also helps attract further organizational funding when parents and caregivers show support. We truly appreciate whatever help you may have to offer! Thank you for all the ways in which you support our program. And please know, even if you are not able to give at this present time, we will continue to work hard to make sure your child receives fresh fruit and veggie snacks in between meals during their school week.



Please detach the form below and return to the front office with a cash or check donation, if you are able, or mail to: Youth Farm Project, 2013 W. MLK Jr. St., Ithaca, NY 14850.

Make checks out to "CTA-YFP" with "FSP" or "Fresh Snack Program" in the memo line.

To donate online: www.youthfarmproject.org/the-fresh-snack-program

Please feel free to email Christa Nuñez at freshsnackprogram@gmail.com with any questions.

All the best from all of us at the Youth Farm Project!

Student's name _____

Teacher _____ Grade(s) _____

School _____

- Yes, I can cover the cost of my child's snacks for the semester. \$15.00
- Yes, I can cover the cost of my child's snacks plus another child. \$30.00
- Yes, I can cover the cost of my child's snacks plus two additional children. \$45.00
- Yes, I can cover much of the cost of my child's snacks for 2 months. \$5.00
- Yes, I can contribute this amount to support the ongoing activities of Fresh Snack \$ _____