

May 5, 2022

Dear Washington Central Community,

This week is Staff Appreciation Week in our schools. In many ways this school year has been harder than the past two years. Please join me in extending an enormous thank you to our entire staff. They show up each day and work tirelessly, creatively, flexibly, and thoughtfully in service to our students and school community. We are so lucky to have them.

The CDC community level was updated tonight and Washington County is still high. We will keep our masks on through at least May 12.

Last night our school board decided that the last day of school for our students will be Friday, June 17. It will be a full day. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

This week the Agency of Education released its [annual snapshot](#), a measure of how schools in Vermont are doing related to academic proficiency, personalization, safe and healthy schools, high quality staffing, and investment priorities. Last spring's Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC) and Vermont Science Assessment (VTSA) scores have been released to the public just in time for our students to take the assessments this year. We will be doing some analysis at the school and district levels in the weeks ahead. The analysis will inform our continuous improvement work. I will share more information about our students' performance and our continuous improvement planning later this month.

As always, please reach out to me at [jmillerarsenault@u32.org](mailto:jmillerarsenault@u32.org) or 802-229-0553 if you have questions or concerns.

Warmly,  
Jen Miller-Arsenault  
Interim Superintendent