

## Meduxnekeag Environmental Showcase 2018



## Florenceville Elementary School

Dear Families,

Our students are participating in the Meduxnekeag Environmental Showcase. This environmental education program is a partnership between the Meduxnekeag River Association Inc. (www.meduxnekeag.org), Woodstock Education Centre and our school.

This year's showcase theme is "Climate Change in my Community" This is the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Meduxnekeag Environmental Showcase and to celebrate we will be awarding \$1000 prize to the participating school with the highest percentage of student participants! This prize can be used by the school for any environmental education endeavors of their choosing. Classes with participation rates of 90% or more will have a 1 in 5 chance of winning \$250 to be used at the teacher's discretion.

The theme, as in previous years, is to be the central part of the student projects. Within the theme, projects can focus on any of a variety of aspects of Climate Change, for example:

- What does climate change look like in my community? (ie on plants, wild life, the
- What can/will I do to adapt to climate change?
- How has climate change effected the local economy?
- How can I help reduce the effects of climate change?
- How has/will climate change effect my family?

Note that the above are only examples; they are not intended to be the only way to focus on the theme; projects which respond to the theme in other ways are perfectly acceptable! Please note that projects do not have to be about or based on the Meduxnekeag River, instead it is about "Climate Change" in your immediate area, whether that be your home, cottage, community,

This is not about Polar Bears, or some far off animal/place - it needs to be local, preferably in their backyard. We want the students to report on "Climate Change" as they experience, or are **aware of it.** Projects are to be completed by individual students. Your project can be artwork, constructions, model, diagram, poster, photos, or any combination and must include something written in your own handwriting or printing (as short as a few sentences for Kindergarten and as long as an essay for Grade 5 students)

The local libraries have information on this topic and there are extensive resources on the internet. Most importantly, we want the students to get out and explore their surrounding human and natural environment to learn about Climate Change- this creates an experiential learning experience for the student and reinforces connections to their surrounding natural environment.

The Meduxnekeag Environmental Showcase will be held at our school on Wednesday. April 25th. Students can bring projects in the morning of the showcase and set-up in the gym before classes

The school has the tri-fold backboards that students may use for their presentations. Please fill out the form below to help us know who will be needing the backboards and to help prepare for this

Thank you for your support!	
FES Meduxnekeag Committee	
(Student's Name / class)	will be participating in the Meduxnekeag Showcase.