



### What a year it has been!

It's been an amazing year, full of good food, friends, outdoor exploration, community gatherings, and big strides to get greener and to go big with the All Seasons Barn. We hope that you've gotten to enjoy the farm in 2019 and we're so excited to share 2020 with you, too!

We hope that you'll help support the farm as the year comes to a close and as we all get together to enjoy time with family and friends. We couldn't do all the amazing things that we are able to do without our amazing "farm family" of volunteers and donors. Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts!

- The Wright-Locke Farm Team

### [Donate to Support Farm Programs](#)

#### Family Goat Walks



Join us for a series of winter walks with our goats. On the walks, you'll have the opportunity to pet the goats and walk alongside them as they search for food! After our walk of about an hour, we will warm up with hot chocolate in the Farm Stand!

This family event is great for all participants over the age of 5. Children must be

#### Our Chickens Need Your Help!



Did you know that the WLF chickens are, in large part, taken care of by volunteers? We could use your help to keep our flock happy and healthy over the winter and spring!

Help our "chicken chore" volunteer group perform daily



accompanied by a caregiver. \$7 per person.

Saturday, January 4, 10  
- 11:30 AM  
(SOLD OUT)

Saturday, February 1,  
10 - 11:30 AM

Saturday, March 7, 10 -  
11:30 AM

[Register Here](#)

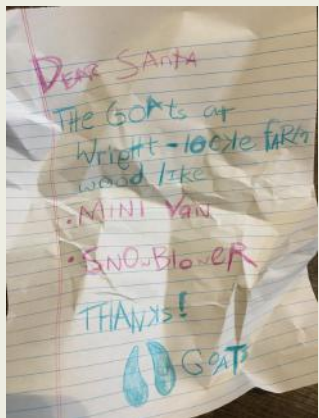
### Farm Stand Goes To Honor Box System - Fresh Eggs Available



As many of you remember from seasons past, we still sell our farm fresh eggs in the winter time (the chickens don't stop laying!). We will open up the Farm Stand on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 9AM.

We use an honor box system during the winter, so please bring cash or check to deposit in the box. A half dozen carton of eggs costs \$3.

### Farm Wish List



Last week we found this note in the goat pen...we think the Goats may be on the naughty list this year...so we're not sure if Santa will be able to grant THEIR wishes.

But if YOU have a minivan (we have actually acquired a snowblower since we found the note!) that you're thinking of upgrading and would like to donate your old one to the farm, we would really appreciate the replacement vehicle - ours is on its last legs!

Please email [info@wlfarm.org](mailto:info@wlfarm.org) with pictures and a description of your van if you wish to donate.

tasks for our flock: bring food and water; collect, clean, and tally eggs; and more. This is a great way for young people and families to get involved as these chores can be done at your own pace with flexible timing and morning, evening, and weekend slots available. Volunteers must complete a 30-40-minute training session before signing up for chores. We expect that volunteers will commit to signing up for chores at least 3x a month for the winter/early-spring season.

**Sign-up for a training session here:**

[Wednesday Dec. 18th 10 - 10:45am](#)

[Wednesday Dec. 18th 2:45 - 3:30pm](#)

[Friday Dec. 20th 12 - 12:45pm](#)

[Friday Dec. 20th 3 - 3:45pm](#)

For questions, email Erika at [farmed@wlfarm.org](mailto:farmed@wlfarm.org)

### Mending Workshop Series (Great Holiday Gift Idea, Too!)



**January 11, February 8, March 14  
9:30am - 12pm @ The Jenks Center  
with instructor, Karen Bellacosa**

Extend the life of your favorite clothes by learning how to repair things yourself! It's satisfying, creatively empowering, saves money and is very good for the planet. Each workshop will start with instruction in a couple of basic techniques to get you started and no matter what your experience you can get expert advice to give you the confidence to tackle your own projects once you get home.

*Cost: \$60 for the series of 3 or \$20 per workshop.*

[For more information or to register, click here.](#)

### February Vacation Programs



## Forest School Updates



You may have heard already, but we are excited say that we are opening The Forest School at Wright-Locke Farm in September 2020!

The Forest School is for children ages 3 - 6 and is nature-immersive. Small classes spend their day entirely outdoors, exploring and learning in nature year-round.

Come learn more about The Forest School at one of our information sessions held at the Jenks Center! Choose from two dates. **RSVP required.**

[Wednesday, January 8th: 6:30 - 8:30pm](#)

[Thursday, January 9th: 7 - 8 PM](#)

## Winter CSA Shares



Did you know that Wright-Locke Farm hosts **Shared Harvest's** winter CSA pickups once a month from November to February? If you want local produce year-round, Shared Harvest is a great option. They source from a variety of local, organic farms and vendors to bring you a convenient and delicious way to eat local all winter.

You can sign up for all months, or just one or two. You'll get two big boxes of a variety of fall and winter veggies with the option to add on specific veggies and other local products that you love the most (think butter, eggs, mushrooms, maple syrup, sauerkrauts, honey, and more).

The next pick-up will be January 11th.



Join us for a three-day education program here at the farm over February Vacation! During the course of the program, we will explore various aspects of the farm and surrounding woods and how they change seasonally. The **3rd - 5th grade** group will also explore basic survival skills for New England winters!

This program runs 2/18 - 2/20 from 9 AM - 12 PM.  
Cost: \$150

[Register Here](#)

## Winter Reminders!



(Photo Courtesy of Mei Lin Barral)

- 1) The **Farm is open to visitors during daylight hours**, so come by any day to play around in the snow, take a hike, and enjoy the forests and farmlands with its winter fashion.
- 2) **Buddy Cat** loves to follow you into the bathrooms, Farm Stand, and occasionally your cars. Please double check a building before you leave it (or your car before you go) to make sure he's not stuck there. Also, he is an outdoor cat and has access to warmth and food even when he is outside, so don't worry, he's being cared for!
- 3) Make sure to **lock up doors** after your done with farm chores (if you found them locked to begin with).
- 4) **COMPOST:** You are still welcome to bring your own compost to the farm during the winter, but please note that you will NOT be able to drive down to the compost bays as the snow, ice, and mud make it impossible to get back up the hill. You may drive into our main driveway and walk your compost down to the center bay to dump it there. Before dropping off your compost, just make sure you've read our [compost guidelines](#).

## Home School Programs



[Learn more and sign-up here.](#)

## Updates on Youth Program Registration



We've been making some changes to the registration process for youth programs - nothing huge, but please note that there will no longer be an "early registration week". All registration will go live to the public at the same time later this winter.

Youth program registration will most likely open in February, but we will keep you posted about specific dates as we get closer to that timeframe. Thank you for your understanding and please stay tuned!



(Photo Courtesy of Mei Lin Barral)

This Winter, we are offering a variety of opportunities for your homeschooler to continue their education through farm programs! Contact us to schedule a program listed in our [program offerings](#) for your homeschool group.

## [Support your Farm](#)



A beautiful winter scene at the Farm. Photo courtesy of Mei Lin Barral.

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