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Performance Art, Relationships Focus of Spaulding Academy & Family Services 2022 Arts Festival

Northfield, NH – The students of Spaulding Academy & Family Services recently held their first in-person Arts Festival performance since 2019. With support from Art and Music Teacher Robyn A. Allen and Visiting Artist TJ Wheeler, the children created artistic materials that were used during the festival. They acted, danced, played music, and sang on stage for their fellow students, teachers, and invited guests.

The 2022 Arts Festival theme was “Ubuntu,” a South African humanist philosophy that focuses on relationships. It means, “I am because we are, together as one.” Each classroom created their own songs, plays, or visual art based on this theme. They also connected it to the “Choose Love” curriculum used campuswide.

“Our students learned a lot during the COVID-19 pandemic, and this was their time to finally show off their skills on stage,” said Allen. “The students were fantastic, and everyone left with a smile on their face!”

For more information about Spaulding Academy & Family Services, visit SpauldingServices.org.

ABOUT SPAULDING ACADEMY & FAMILY SERVICES

Spaulding Academy & Family Services is a leading provider of educational, residential, therapeutic and community-based programs and services for families, and children and youth with neurological, emotional, behavioral, learning or developmental challenges, including Autism Spectrum Disorder and those who have experienced significant trauma, abuse or neglect. Established in 1871, Spaulding Academy & Family Services is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit that was formerly known as Spaulding Youth Center since 1958. Its scenic hilltop campus is located on over 500 acres in Northfield, NH and welcomes boys and girls from ages 4 to 21 from around the state of New Hampshire and beyond. In addition to programs provided on the Northfield campus, Spaulding Academy & Family Services’ community-based programs include foster family licensing, Individual Service Option (ISO) foster care, ISO in-home services, child health support services, and more for children ages 0 to 20 and their family. For information about Spaulding Academy & Family Services, visit www.SpauldingServices.org.

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