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The Highgate DREAM Update November 2008

Greetings from DREAM! November was a great month...here is a summary of the events and developments that occurred. You can always look back at past monthly reports or other programs' reports by going to: <http://www.dreamprogram.org/about/localprograms.htm>. And please, do not hesitate to contact us with questions or ideas.

November brought cooler weather, shorter days and some incredible DREAM activities. Norwich mentors settled into school and brought exciting programming to the children of Highgate. It was also a bit of a shorter month due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Highlights from this month include:

- Recruitment of a new mentor
- Beginning work on a recruitment plan for the Spring semester

Fridays: The core of DREAM happens every Friday when DREAM mentors meet with their partners in group and one-on-one settings. The meetings occur on college campuses, onsite at the children's homes, and at spaces around the community. This month included only one Friday of programming due to the Thanksgiving school break and multiple Norwich commitments for mentors:

- An afternoon spent in the community center making a DREAM banner to use in recruitment of new mentors.

Capacity Building: The mentors are constantly working on bringing new children into the program and improving the program. In November, the group welcomed one new mentor from Norwich and is excited to have her begin working with the kids.

The Norwich mentors are planning some recruitment strategies for the spring semester to bring more mentors into the program. The goal is to bring the number mentors up and revitalize the program with consistent participation and by making mentor/mentee matches.

Camp: DREAM's beautiful 50 acre camp is a resource for everyone involved in the program. In November, DREAM Office Staff helped to raise the frame of a new pavilion. Mentors also began the planning process for Winter Adventure Camp!



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Other: We have hired a new Program Empowerment Director, Jen Fabiano, who will be working with our programs in Burlington, Winooski and Middlebury. Check out her bio and the rest of the central office at: <http://www.dreamprogram.org/about/centraloffice.htm>

Keep DREAMing!

Mike Ewan
Program Empowerment Director