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Dear Volz Families,

I am pleased to announce that we are adding an exciting program to our school starting this October. We are in a partnership with an animal assisted therapy group called Paws for People.

PAWS (Pet Assisted Visitation Volunteer Services) is a group of volunteers who bring their trained therapy dogs to our school to visit with our students and staff. Each PAWS animal is a certified therapy companion. They have had a great deal of training and screening to ensure good temperament, behavior, and obedience.

We hope that this program will benefit students and provide a calming therapy experience with the animals. PAWS will be visiting our school twice a month.

If you would not like your child to participate in this program or have contact with the therapy animal please email Mrs. Mangino at dmangino@runnemedeschools.org.

Thank you,

Dana Mangino Mary Volz School Counselor