

Dear Molly,

We hope you and your family are healthy and well this holiday season. We want to thank you for being a part of our community and cordially invite you to donate to help support our mission of **growing creative problem solvers** this upcoming year. Our mission during 2020 can best be described by two WMSI stories (below) and the attached photos. These stories truly capture the strength of our mission, the resilience of our community, and the impact of our donors:



Garrett is a student at a small school 1.5 hours away from WMSI. He started with WMSI as a STEM Explorer back in 2016. During WMSI's visits to his school, Garrett would arrive early to help set up, enthusiastically share his designs, and stay late to clean up. Garrett has grown so much during the last four years of the Mobile STEM Lab program, becoming one of WMSI's most experienced youth instructors. During the pandemic, Garrett has continued to find ways to help his community. In the spring, he supported students by creating remote STEM lessons. This fall, he's been one of the lead instructors for the WMSI Mobile Inventor's Lab program, a weekly remote class for 3rd-8th graders run by high school students. With support from WMSI, **Garrett has inspired dozens of young creative problem solvers in the north country.**

Molly is the principal and lead teacher at Landaff Blue School, the last one room schoolhouse in New Hampshire. WMSI has worked with

Molly for two years to bring an innovative computer science curriculum to her K-3rd grade students. When the pandemic hit, all of our in-person programs with Landaff were canceled, but Molly and WMSI quickly switched tracks to alternative solutions. Soon, students were exploring computer science virtually, where they programmed solar system stories, created time-lapses of plant growth, collaborated on game design, etc.

These are just two examples of the many resilient community members we've worked with to bring creative problem solving to kids this year.



In 2021, your gift will help us:

- Create custom STEM lendable kits for our partner schools and families to overcome the barriers of STEM access
- Continue to grow the youth programs while offering scholarships so that all students can access engaging STEM
- Support resource development and teacher coaching so educators like Molly can access high quality and engaging STEM lessons

Please consider making a **tax-deductible donation** to be a part of the next chapter of WMSI's story, as we continue bringing STEM education to an ever-expanding group of students, teachers, and families.

Thank you,

The WMSI team (Bill, Amanda, Jeremy, Mike, Jeannie, Sam, and Lori)

The WMSI board (Tim, Brent, Lori, Jim, Art, Dan, Amy, Erv, Kerry)