We’ve made so much progress in the past year! Down at Maggie’s Farm, the soil is richer and the weed pressure dampened due to another year of careful crop rotation and cover cropping (and hard work!), the new, spacious tractor shed is up and sheltering our humble fleet, another major section of the enormous barn roof has been re-shingled, the web site for the adult program has been given new life (check it out by going to www.farmschool.org and following the link for educating adults) and there is a new door and stairway off the back of the Chicken Coop, along with newly configured built-in furniture inside.

At Sentinel Elm Farm, where the school groups visit, the smaller dairy herd (6 cows and their calves) better fits the land base, with the cows now grazing right through the summer and into the fall, thanks to the greenhouse and hoop house we have had dirt time with kids every month of the year, and a new food center consisting of a simple prep kitchen in line with a walk-in cooler and freezer is up and running, allowing us to process and save more food for all the programs, a critical link in our long-term strategy to take care of each other.

The Farm School is a non-profit educational farm situated on 300 acres in north-central Massachusetts. We offer three programs: the Program for Visiting Schools, a three-day program for school groups and their teachers throughout the school year and a summer camp; the Chicken Coop School, a full-time middle school for local children; and the Practical Farm Training Program, a year-long immersion program in farming for adults. The work and care of the farm in the dairy, fields, gardens and forests is the mainstay of the programs. Please visit us online at www.farmschool.org or give Director Patrick Connors a call at 978.249.9944 to find out how to get involved! The Farm School does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, sex, sexual orientation, or national or ethnic origin in any of its school administered policies or programs. Tax-deductible contributions are vital to maintaining The Farm School’s programs and can be made online or by sending your gift to the address below.

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prepare the scones for the oven, can measure our progress over the past year is in the daily and minds of every one of our students and staff. The real way we individual moments of personal meaning were embedded in the hearts September to June. The real news is that over the course of each day, week on the land. And at the Chicken Coop, local middle school kids the course of this past year, 2,000 people came to move in this steady,