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Dear Parents/Guardians of 5th Grade Science Students,

It is possible to learn about the function of lungs from diagrams, models and animations. However, the experience of dissecting real animal material adds an extra dimension to understanding the **structure of the lungs** and **the relationship of structure to its function.**

**On** Monday, March 10th from 1:00-2:30 your child will have the opportunity to dissect pig lungs under the supervision of students and staff of Monroe County Community College's Respiratory Therapy program. Terri Langton, a retired health education coordinator from the Monroe County ISD, will also speak to the students about keeping their lungs healthy while assisting the students through the dissection. During this hour and a half, students will receive information about how tobacco affects the lungs and have the opportunity to learn about lungs through displays, models, and dissection.

You are welcome to join your child in this exciting learning opportunity. However, at the request of the presenters, only 5th grade science students and their parent/guardian will be allowed to attend and participate in the dissection. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at homer@monroe.k12.mi.us or 265-4736.

Thank you,

Mrs. Homer