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Greetings,

We are pleased to announce **America's Dairyland** as the theme for the 2018 Capitol Christmas Tree. The State Capitol Christmas Tree is displayed in the State Capitol Rotunda and serves as a centerpiece of festivity for thousands of visitors as they tour and do business in the State Capitol. Every year this tree is filled with joyful ornaments, handmade by students around the state.

This year, we would like to extend a special invitation to your school and students to contribute handmade ornaments showcasing **America's Dairyland**. We ask that students make ornaments from non-breakable material. They must be strong enough to hold up during shipping and to be handled while the tree is being decorated. For these reasons, we recommend students do not use fragile items or paper cutouts that may tear easily. We suggest ornaments that are 4-6 inches in size and are made from a color that contrasts with the color of the tree so they can easily be seen and enjoyed by all visitors. Please attach a ten-inch loop of ribbon or string from which each ornament will hang.

If you have any questions about an ornament, please contact the Facilities Management Information Center at (608) 266-1485. Please note that ornaments will not be returned.

Please send your ornaments to the address below by Friday, November 23, 2018. Also please be sure to include the teacher's name and grade, school name, and address so that we may acknowledge your contribution.

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We hope your school will share your classroom's experience making the ornaments with pictures and stories through **Facebook and Twitter using #WICapitolTree and #AmericasDairyland.**

We will gratefully accept any ornaments your school provides for the tree. Thank you for helping make the State Capitol beautiful this holiday season.

Sincerely,

Scott Walker Governor of Wisconsin