



To say LEAF senior Tamara Williams is a talented artist is an understatement. Tamara has consistently amazed and wowed the LEAF community with her digital drawings.



Recently Tamara was highlighted as the artist of the month and has been selling her keychains in the school store.



The summer between her sophomore and junior year, Tamara participated in an Extended Learning Opportunity (ELO) with Sean Roberts at World Under Wonder Theater. Sean had stories he had created that he wanted someone to illustrate. Tamara worked on a variety of projects with him including comic strips with environmental messages and advertisements for the playhouse.



WORLD UNDER WONDER PLAYHOUSE

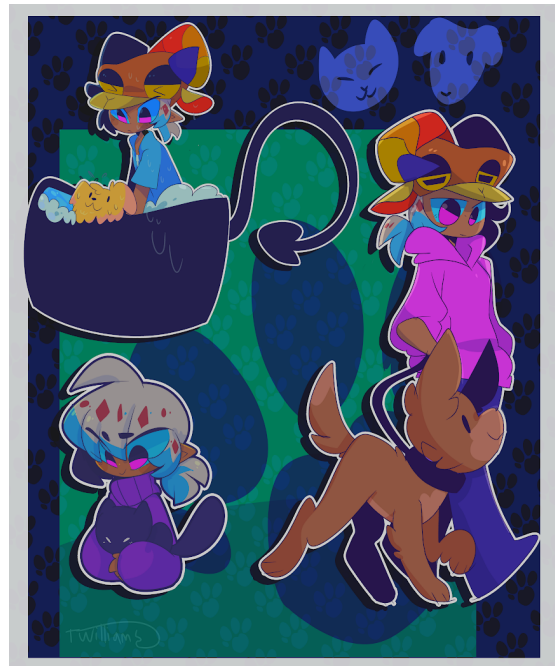
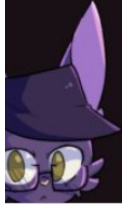
5755 Route 5, Ascutney VT

Wonderwood LARP

A roleplay focused immersive game set in a medieval fantasy world

Mondays: 6-10 PM

Proof of vaccination required



Tamara also participated in an ELO internship at Furrocious Pet Grooming. Tamara has been interested in pursuing a career as a dog groomer. Hands-on training and experience with professional groomer Jessica Mofford gave Tamara the opportunity to explore the pet grooming world. Jessica had a lot of wonderful things to say about Tamara. “Tamara’s care and gentle handling will be useful in the pet grooming industry. She has an artist eye, with time Tamara can learn to use that with breed clips and grooming styles. Tamara was very punctual, a fast learner, and willing to try new things. She was determined. She had some stubborn dogs but handled the situations very well. Tamara was able to work with dogs on her own, which was a great benefit. Having her around helped with safety management when holding and assisting dogs.”

Reflecting on her internship, Tamara says “I didn’t know anything about grooming so everything I did developed my skill as a groomer.” Tamara is exploring the possibility of getting further training to become a professional dog groomer.



Some of the teachers who have made a difference for Tamara include Humanities teacher Chris Becker. "Chris is everyone's favorite teacher. He is entertaining. The class discussions in humanities are interesting." Community Connections Coordinator, Judy Hoffman was also a teacher who made a difference. Judy was a helpful support. " We went on walks and talked about stuff. It was good." Then there is founding director, Dakota Benedetto, "She is fine. She is not intimidating."

Tamara's dream job is to be an artist, "drawing whatever I want."

After graduation Tamara is not sure exactly what she is going to do but she is interested in a job called "Sleep with Dogs." It is an overnight position at a doggie daycare. "You get paid to sleep and take care of the dogs." Of course, she may also pursue a career as a dog groomer.

5 Fun Facts about Tamara

- 1). I love dogs. I have 3 cats and a dog.
- 2). I love to draw digital art.
- 3). Disgaea and Pokemon are my favorite video games.
- 4). Lifesavers are my favorite candy.
- 5) I am obsessed with the movie Sonic 2. I really like it.



