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Ripton/Addison Central SD/SU Matters

Final Approval of Ripton's Withdrawal and Reconstitution; Designation as an SD; Effective Dates

The State Board of Education:

1. **FINDS** that the conditions outlined in its Motion Conditionally Approving the Withdrawal and Reconstitution of the Ripton School District, issued on May 19, 2021, have been met; and
2. **FINDS** further that:
 - a. None of the available options for providing supervisory union (SU) services to the Ripton School District is a good one; and
 - b. The most prudent option at this time is to designate the Ripton School District to be its own supervisory district (i.e. a single-district SU); and
3. Pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 724(c) and to the request of the elected school board of the Ripton School District, the State Board
 - a. **APPROVES** the request of the Ripton voters to withdraw from the Addison Central School District pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 724(c);
 - b. **DECLARES** that the **WITHDRAWAL** of Ripton from the Addison Central School District shall be effective on **July 1, 2023**; and
 - c. **DECLARES:**
 - i. That the Ripton School District is **RECONSTITUTED** as a prekindergarten through grade 12 school district;
 - ii. That the Ripton School District shall assume sole responsibility for the education of its resident students in prekindergarten through grade 12 on **July 1, 2023** and that, until such time, the Addison Central School District/Supervisory District shall continue to be responsible for the education of all students residing in Ripton;
 - iii. That until **July 1, 2023**, the Ripton School District and its duly elected school board shall exist solely for the purpose of transitioning to full operations; and
 - iv. That the Ripton School District shall not be entitled to administrative or other SU services from the Addison Central Supervisory District; and
 - d. **DECLARES** that, pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 261(c), the Ripton School District is **DESIGNATED** to be its own supervisory district (i.e. a single-district SU) that shall be fully operational as a supervisory district on **July 1, 2023**.