



November Board Report

Playground Update: The materials for the playground were delivered last week. The drainage is being fixed so that work can continue in the spring.

Harvest Meal: Our second annual harvest meal was this past week and our second buddy event of the school year this past week. Students helped to prepare and provide the meal, engage in set-up and enjoy the meal together.

Crew Challenges: Each month, our school culture team has put together a Crew challenge for each Crew group - in September, our Crew challenge was to create a Crew Name and identify a color - our T-shirts finally arrived in time for our November Crew Challenge - to create center pieces for our Harvest Meal (this was a tradition that began last year with our art teacher at the time and is expanding). We look forward to continuing to create space for celebration and connection

Budget and Planning Forward: As we enter Budget season, I am mindful that you all need information to be able to make informed decisions. I would encourage the board to take on a multi-year planning mentality as you go into this budget season and commit to a multi-phase plan for the infrastructure of the school campus. As I have mentioned before, this means the first step is making the decision to flip the campus. I strongly encourage making this decision now in order to set the project in motion.

Classroom Updates: Students are hitting their strides in projects. Our $\frac{5}{8}$ students are continuing to work on their play, $\frac{7}{8}$ grade students are creating a narrative non-fiction book about oceans that they will be presenting to the community, $\frac{1}{2}$ are working on a book about community, and many more products will be ready for exhibition between December 12th and January 19th. Dates will follow.



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Superintendent's Report November 2023

1. Open Positions

Barnet School

- Elementary Teacher
- After School Program Coordinator

Cabot School

- Special Education Paraeducator
- Bus Driver
- ELA Teacher

Central Office

- 2 High School Paraeducators at the St. Johnsbury Academy
- Certified Deaf/Blind Intervener
- LNA
- Tutor

Danville School

- High School Paraeducator
- Preschool Paraeducator
- Custodian
- Middle School Girls Basketball Coach
- Middle School Boys Basketball Coach

Peacham School

- None

Twinfield School

- Bus Driver
- Health Elementary Paraeducator
- Elementary Paraeducator
- High School Paraeducator
- Food Service
- After School Site Director
- Middle School Boys Basketball Coach

Walden School

- Custodian school year

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Waterford School

- Preschool paraeducator

1. **Superintendent Office:** Now that Mark Tucker is back part time, we are working collaboratively to ensure the continued smooth operation of the SU. We are dividing up the responsibilities and workload until Mark gets the all clear to return full time. We are both committed to the support of all staff, students, families, administrators and boards.
2. **Budget:** Mark and I have had regular meetings with Mike Concessi to review and develop budgets with as much information as we have available. Mike is working hard to make realistic, accurate projections about both revenues and expenses for the upcoming school year for the SU and each of its districts. We will be attending a two-day conference titled "Effective Practices in School District Fiscal Planning and Management" at the beginning of December. This professional development opportunity is designed for superintendents and business managers, and sponsored by VSA and VASBO.
3. **Threat Assessment:** Mark and I attended a webinar through the FBI related to hoax threats. It was informative and timely, given the events that unfolded in Twinfield last month. The webinar was targeted at law enforcement, but provided a useful perspective to us as school leaders.
4. **PCBs:** Mark is continuing his efforts to advance the decision making process for the Cabot gymnasium. Mark has also spoken with the consulting engineer about Corrective Action Plans (CAP) for Danville and Twinfield. The source testing at those two schools suggest straightforward remediation options, but this cannot proceed until DEC has a formal CAP so that they can authorize the removal of the PCB source material. Mark has pressed for this to be resolved before June 2024.

Anne Landry
Acting Superintendent of Schools

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Student Services Board Report
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1. CCSU Updates

- a. M. Lawrence Batiste, a remote school psychologist, provided training for our special educators on the November 3 early release regarding patterns of strengths and weaknesses.
- b. Our speech pathologists and occupational therapists are preparing a professional development opportunity for support staff on the December 1 early release.
- c. By the time you are reading this, I am hopeful that our new school psychologist for the SU and speech language pathologist for Cabot (both remote) will have started.

2. AOE Updates

- a. The FY25 Act 173 Service Plan documentation was uploaded to the AOE by the October 20, 2023 deadline. This document provides information about anticipated extraordinary reimbursement for the school year 2024-2025. As Mike Concessi mentioned during budget discussions, extraordinary reimbursement is received after costs exceed \$66,206.

3. Of Note

- a. Tracy Davidson is the Medicaid coordinator in the central office. I would like to recognize her for her dedication, dependability, and hard work. Tracy always has a smile and a positive attitude. She offers to go above and beyond on a regular basis and I know I can count on her for anything.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Landry
Director of Student Services