

## Act 46 Sample Warning – Special Meeting

**Article I.** Shall the [Your] Town School District, which the State Board of Education has found advisable to include in the proposed unified union or modified unified union school district, join with the school districts of the Belvidere, Cambridge, Eden, Hyde Park, Johnson and Waterville, which the State Board of Education has found advisable to include in the proposed unified union or modified unified union school district for the purpose of forming a unified union school district to be named the Lamoille North Unified Union School District or the modified unified union school district to be named the Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District, as provided in Title 16, Vermont Statutes Annotated, upon the following conditions and agreements: If all of the forming districts vote to approve the merger, the Lamoille North Unified Union School District will commence full educational operations and services on July 1, 2017, under the provisions of Act 46. In the event that the majority of the forming districts vote to approve the merger, but one or two forming districts votes against merger, pursuant to Act 156 (2012), Sec. 17, as amended, a Modified Unified Union School District (MUUSD) will be formed and commence full educational operations and services on July 1, 2017. In this case, the MUUSD shall be named the Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District.

(a) Grades. The unified union school district will offer pre-kindergarten through grade twelve education to all of the students in the unified union school district.

(b) Board of School Directors. The unified district board of school directors will be closely proportional to the fraction that its population bears in the aggregate population of the unified union school district.

(c) Assumption of debts and ownership of school property. The unified union school district shall assume the indebtedness of member districts and assume all operating deficits and/or surpluses or reserve funds of the member districts; acquire and pay for the school properties of member districts; all as specifically identified and provided for in Articles 7 and 8 in the Final Report.

(d) Final Report. The provisions of the Final Report approved by the State Board of Education on January 19, 2016, which is on file in the [Your] Town Clerk's office, shall govern the unified union school district.

**Article II.** To elect a school director or directors from the nominees to serve on the school board of the proposed unified union school district board from the date of the organizational meeting.

## Main Concepts

**Article I: Defines the possible outcomes of the vote. If all towns vote "YES", a single unified district is formed made up of the same towns as currently served by the LUHS #18.**

**(a) Defines the grades served to be PreK-12.**

**(b) A single board will be responsible for the district, similar to the current LUHS #18 board, and that board will be made up of school directors as follows: Belvidere, one; Cambridge, five; Eden, two; Hyde Park, four; Johnson, five; and Waterville, one.**

**(c) All debts, assets, liabilities and property of the schools will transfer to the new district except all reserves voted for a particular school or purpose remains dedicated for the use at that school.**

**(d) Please read the Articles of Agreement. A copy can be found at your town office or can be viewed online at [www.LNSUAct46.org](http://www.LNSUAct46.org).**

**Article II: Those interested in running for School Director must pick up and return (no later than March 14<sup>th</sup>) a petition which is available at their town clerk's office.**

