

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FORM A REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT (RSU)

SAU Submitting: _____

Contact Information: _____

Date Submitted by SAU: _____

Each school administrative unit shall file with the commissioner a notice of intent to engage in planning and negotiations with other school administrative units for the purpose of developing a reorganization plan to form a regional school unit under this chapter. The commissioner shall respond to each notice of intent providing information regarding the process and whether the intended action complies with the requirements of this chapter. (Title 20-A, §1461)

SAUs included in the proposed Regional School Unit (RSU):

SAU Name SAU School Board Chair Signature

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Procedures for the Formation of a Regional School Unit

[20-A M.R.S. Chapter 103-A](#): Regional School Units

[20-A § 1452](#). Core functions for which a regional school unit (RSU) is responsible include without limitation:

1. Employment of superintendent
2. Performance of business functions
3. Special education administration
4. Transportation
5. Core curriculum
6. Budget
7. Reporting
8. Employment
9. School calendar
10. Adoption of policies

[20-A § 1461](#). Formation of a regional school unit; reorganization planning and approval

1. Notice of intent (NOI)
 - A. Each SAU shall file with the Commissioner a notice of intent to engage in planning and negotiations with other SAUs for the purpose of developing a reorganization plan to form an RSU.
2. Reorganization planning committee (RPC)
 - A. Local communities are responsible for the formation of the RPC.
 - B. Law requires that municipalities and school administrative units (SAUs) play lead roles in forming the RPC.
 - i. Representatives from each SAU included in NOI
 - ii. Representatives of member municipalities who are representatives of the proposed RSU
 - iii. Members of general public who are residents of the proposed RSU
3. Submission of plans
4. Review and approval of plans
5. Referendum on reorganization plan
6. Results of referendum
7. Certificate of organization
8. Retention of duties pending referendum

[20-A § 1461-A](#). Transitional powers and duties of initial regional school unit board

1. Selection of superintendent
2. Budget preparation and approval
3. Authorization
4. Fiscal agent