CORRECTED-WASHINGTON CENTRAL UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING OF SPECIAL MEETING AND INFORMATIONAL HEARING

The legal voters of the Washington Central Unified Union School District, a unified union school district municipality comprising the Towns of Berlin, Calais, East Montpelier, Middlesex, and Worcester, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned of a special meeting in their respective towns at the polling places hereinafter named on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, to vote by Australian ballot upon the following article requested by a petition signed by more than five percent of the voters of the district.

Article 1

Shall the voters approve the following amendments to the Washington Central Unified Union School District Articles of Agreement:

Article 4 – Closure of School Buildings is amended as follows (new text in bold and underlined):

Article 4 – Closure of School Buildings

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B. Academic Year 2021-2022 ~~and After~~ through 2025-2026

In academic ~~year~~ **years** 2021-2022 ~~and after~~ **through 2026-2027**, the New Union District Board shall not close any school building or cease using the building to provide direct instruction in at least one grade, prekindergarten through grade 12, unless first approved by both a majority of the Union District Board and the voters residing in the town in which the school is located.

C. Academic Year 2027-2028 and After

In academic year 2027-2028 and after, the New Union District Board shall not close any school building or cease using the building to provide direct instruction in at least one grade, prekindergarten through grade 12, unless first approved by both a majority of the Union District Board and the voters of the New Union District. The vote to close a school for the 2027-2028 school year may occur prior to the beginning of that year, with the closure effective on or after June 30, 2027.

CORRECTED - Polling Places and Times:

Berlin Municipal Office 108 Shed Road Berlin 10:00 AM-7:00 PM

Calais Town Hall 1662 Kent Hill Road in Calais 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

East Montpelier Elementary School 665 Vincent Flats Rd. in East Montpelier 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Middlesex Town Hall 5 Church Street in Middlesex 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

Worcester Town Hall 20 Village Road in Worcester 10:00 AM-7:00 PM

Public Informational Hearing

A public informational hearing will take place on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 5:00 PM to provide information on the article in question. The public hearing will be at U-32 Middle & High School, 930 Gallison Hill Rd., Montpelier, VT 05602, in Rm 128/131. There will be a virtual option as well. https://tinyurl.com/2w9vu7x6 Meeting Id: 850 5401 6486 Password: 380648 Phone: 1-929-205- 6099

Additional Information

Upon the polls closing, the ballots shall be transported and delivered to the East Montpelier Elementary School at 665 Vincent Flats Road in the Town of East Montpelier, where they will be commingled and counted by members of the Boards of Civil Authority of district towns under the supervision of the Clerk of the Washington Central Unified Union School District.

The legal voters of Washington Central Unified Union School District are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and early and absentee voting relative to the special meeting shall be as provided in Sections 553 and 739 of Title 16, and Chapters 43, 51, and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Diane Nichols-Fleming
WCUUSD Board Chair

Date: 7/13/26