



**Caledonia Central Supervisory Union**  
Cabot School, Twinfield School,  
Danville School District, Peacham School District  
Caledonia Cooperative School District (Barnet, Walden & Waterford Schools)

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**Superintendent's Report April 2023**

**1. Open Positions**

**Barnet School**

- Custodian

**Cabot School**

- Special Education Paraeducators
- Bus Driver
- Executive Assistant (2023-2024)
- Secondary Music Teacher (2023-2024)
- Secondary English Language Arts Teacher (2023-2024)
- Secondary Math Teacher (2023-2024)

**Central Office**

- High School Paraeducator at the St. Johnsbury Academy
- Special Education Teacher (Anticipated) 2023-2024
- LNA to start immediately

**Danville School**

- Secondary Math Teacher (2023-2024)
- Secondary Principal (2023-2024)
- Custodian
- Elementary Art Teacher .55 (2023-2024)
- World Languages Anticipated(2023-2024)

**Peacham School**

- No open positions at this time.

**Twinfield School**

- Bus Driver
- Health Elementary Paraeducator
- High School Paraeducator
- Elementary Teacher 2023-2024
- Secondary Principal 2023-2024 year around position

**Walden School**

- Special education 1:1 paraeducator
- Special education paraeducator

**Waterford School**

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- Special education paraeducator
  - Math Intervention Teacher Middle Grades (2023-2024) anticipated
2. **State of Vermont School Facility Analysis** – At this writing (March 28th) I have not been notified that any of the CCSU schools are on the April schedule for visits by the AOE’s consultant. If that changes, I will update you in the district meetings or by email.
  3. **PCB Testing** – Awaiting airborne PCB test results from Peacham; Source Testing results from Danville, second round Source Testing results from Cabot, and Source Testing work plan for Twinfield.

We seem to be in a legislative lull right now regarding the allocation of PCB remediation funds. The House Education Committee proposal; to pause additional airborne testing in schools where it has not been started is opposed in the Senate and by the Governor. Tied up in that proposal is a separate section that would pay for 100% of remediation costs for schools that are already somewhere in the PCB testing cycle. This is not a good situation as far as I am concerned – at this point, all schools in CCSU that were flagged for testing (all schools except Barnet and Walden) are somewhere in the process, so my selfish focus is on securing 100% remediation reimbursement. Burlington is pushing hard to get a large chunk of money from the State – something like \$13M – to pay for the removal of PCBs from their Burlington High School demolition site, and the Chittenden County Senate contingent carries a lot of weight. The problem right now for us is that, without appropriate action in this session, there is NO reimbursement model for our schools that require remediation.

4. **New Statewide Testing** – The SBAC exam is no more, and its replacement – labeled VTCAP (Vermont Common Assessment Program – was rolled out late. The test window opens in April, and there are still things not working correctly in the system. And because this is a very different test, and new to all – students and test administrators in the schools – there is no way to compare results from this test with prior SBAC test results.
5. **Crisis Planning Training** – I am taking a team to Waterbury on 4/5 for training on a statewide template for crisis planning in schools. I’ll have more to say about the impact of this training on our school planning at a later date.
6. **JUUL Settlement** – Back in September, I signed on to a national class action suit against JUUL, manufacturer of nicotine vaping devices and product. The suit alleged that JUUL had marketed its product to minors, and the suit came at a time when we were seeing a big increase in vaping by students in our schools. The case settled, and we are expecting an award of \$22,777.95 (after attorney fees and costs), to be paid sometime in September 2023. I am planning to use this settlement for tobacco prevention instruction in our schools.

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### **Student Services Board Report April 2023**

#### **1. CCSU Updates**

- a. We are starting to advertise for positions for next school year.

#### **2. AOE Updates**

- a. Preliminary information has been provided from the AOE about our compliance on Indicator 13 (Transition Plans). We are in 100% compliance in this area! This is a big accomplishment as this indicator has been a challenge for the majority of districts in Vermont. Because of the many nuances and details required for compliance, we will be doing further training in this indicator with all special educators who work with high school students.
- b. The AOE will let us know about our compliance on the other indicators in June. I expect we may be notified we will be in selective monitoring on some other indicators but will let you know definitively once we receive the notification.
- c. I am working with building administrators and some school nurses on completing the application for the MAC (Medicaid) grant for 2023-2024. Activities included in this grant must promote health and wellness for our students. Some activities included in this grant application are purchasing bicycles and equipment, gardening supplies, and outdoor education.

#### **3. Professional Development**

- a. Professional Development has been provided in social skills and in different evidence based reading intervention programs, funded through ARP-IDEA. Math intervention training is scheduled to be provided in May.

#### **4. Of Note**

- a. I would like to acknowledge Vicki Hummer (Assistant Director), Allie Monahan (Assistant Director), Jennifer Lindert (Cabot Special Educator), Cathy DuPont (Twinfield Special Educator), Beth Nishball-Williams (Danville Special Educator), and Mary Cassidy (Danville Special Educator) for their outstanding work on preparing compliant Transition Plans to be submitted for monitoring!

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne Landry  
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