

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
HIGH POINT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
299 Pigeon Hill Road
Sussex, New Jersey 07461-2733**

PUBLIC NOTICE

RESOLUTION

The High Point Regional High School Board of Education at the regular meeting held on July 28, 2020 adopted the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves to affirm the petition below:

MONTAGUE TOWNSHIP SEND RECEIVE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the High Point Regional High School Board of Education ("High Point") and the Montague Township Board of Education ("Montague") are parties to a send-receive agreement whereby Montague students in grades 9 through 12 are to attend High Point High School ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Montague has filed a Petition with the New Jersey Department of Education seeking to terminate the Agreement effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, members of the public are permitted to submit written comments to the Commissioner of Education regarding the possible termination of the Agreement pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:3-6.1; and

WHEREAS, the record before the Commissioner shall remain open for a period of 20 days from the date of this resolution, until 4:15 PM on August 17, 2020, in order that interested persons or entities may submit written comments to the Commissioner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following announcement be published on the District's website and transmitted to the District community, and that a certified copy of this Resolution and announcement be submitted to the Commissioner within 10 days from this date:

The Montague Township Board of Education has filed a Petition with the Department of Education seeking to terminate the send-receive agreement with the High Point Regional Board of Education effective immediately.

Members of the Public, including any interested persons or entities, are permitted to submit their own written comments regarding the proposed termination of the Montague-High Point send-receive agreement to the Commissioner of Education by **no later than 4:15 PM on August 17, 2020**.

Any written comments submitted to the Commissioner must abide by all of the following requirements:

1. Comments shall not exceed 10 pages in length;
2. Comments shall specifically address the following statutory standard for the Commissioner's review of Montague's petitioner, i.e., whether the proposed termination of the Agreement will result in a substantial negative impact in either the Montague or High Point school districts in one or more of the following areas:

- a. educational and financial implications;
 - b. quality of education received by students; and/or
 - c. racial composition of the student populations.
3. Comments shall be submitted to the Commissioner of Education by email to ControversiesDisputes@doe.nj.gov and/or by hardcopy addressed to Commissioner, c/o the Director, Office of Controversies and Disputes, New Jersey Department of Education, 100 River View Plaza, PO Box 500, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0500;
 4. Copies of all comments filed with the Commissioner must also be sent to **both** the High Point and Montague Boards of Education. For High Point, comments should be sent via email to SRipley@hpregonal.org or by hardcopy to High Point Regional Board of Education, 299 Pidgeon Hill Rd., Wantage, NJ 07461. For Montague, comments should be sent via email to TCapone@montagueschool.org or by hardcopy to Montague Board of Education, 475 Route 206, Montague, NJ 07827.
 5. The electronic or hardcopy of comments filed with the Commissioner must include a Proof of Service confirming that copies were sent to both the High Point and Montague Boards of Education.
 - a. An acknowledgment of service signed by an attorney or the attorney's designee for each commenter or signed and acknowledged by the commenter or agent thereof, indicating the address at which each Board of Education was served;
 - b. An affidavit of the person making service, sworn or affirmed to be true in the presence of a notary public or other person authorized to administer an oath or affirmation, indicating the address at which each Board of Education was served;
 - c. A certification meeting the requirements of New Jersey Court Rules at R.1:4-4(b) and indicating the address at which each Board of Education was served and the date and manner of such service; OR
 - d. A copy of the receipt for certified mailing or delivery by messenger to each Board of Education. The return receipt card ("green card") is not required for proof of service by certified mailing.
 6. The Commissioner may choose to disregard any comments received after 4:15PM on August 17, 2020.

William J. Sabo
Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary