

Citizen Initiative - Question #3

Repeal of the School Consolidation Bill

How would a repeal of the School Consolidation Bill effect the Milford School Department?

The Milford School Department was created as a result of the community's rejection of the consolidation proposal. If the voters in Maine vote on Nov 4th to repeal this consolidation law, it will not change the current Milford School Department configuration. The Milford School Department will continue as it currently operates.

Will Union #90 be recreated? No, not as a result of the upcoming vote. Community members of the four former school districts could again recreate the former Union #90 but this would require each community to participate and vote on this as a separate action.

Would Milford School Department be required join any other school department? No. Milford does have the option of joining another department but there currently in no activity that I have heard regarding any interest in joining another school department. The up coming vote does not change that option either way. Your options remain open for future proposals.

What about the penalty imposed of communities that voted down the consolidation proposal last year? The Governor waived this penalty the first year. If the voters uphold the law, it is assumed the penalty must be included in future budgets. If the voters repeal the consolidation law, this penalty will no longer be a cost to Milford.

Questions: If you have other questions regarding this issue, please call the Superintendent. The School administration will not offer an opinion on how voters should vote on this measure. Voters who wish guidance may want to discuss this with the elected officials from the School Committee or from the Town.

Sincerely yours,

John A. Davis, Ed.D.,
Superintendent