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To the RSU # 14 School Community:

On Wednesday evening, November 3, the Board of Directors deliberated on how they want to proceed with facilities planning, an RSU Board goal that was established to create operating efficiencies by operating buildings at capacity, thus reducing operating costs, while minimizing disruption to our student population.

The consensus of the Board is to move ahead with two Public Forums – scheduled for November 10 in the Raymond Elementary School Gym and November 17 in the Manchester School Cafeteria. Both Public Forums will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors welcomes the public to comment on the proposal of moving all the Raymond K – 8 students into the Raymond Elementary School and closing Jordan Small Middle School. Presently there are 241 students enrolled at Raymond Elementary School and 202 students enrolled at Jordan Small Middle School. As outlined in the RSU # 14 Windham Raymond Board of Directors Short-Term Facilities Updated Report of October 27, 2010, page 24, the purpose of this option would be to increase building utilization/occupancy and reduce operating costs by housing all K-8 students at Raymond Elementary School. The Report is available on our website under *Bulletins* at the top of the web page. [www.windhamraymondschools.org](http://www.windhamraymondschools.org)

This proposal would enroll a projected 449 students at RES, which has a design capacity for 458 students. This proposed option would require several building changes to accommodate the students. (See page 25 of the Updated Report for detail and projected costs). Another option that the Board shared last evening is to not consider any proposals at this time.

The original date of December 15 for a Board vote on moving ahead with a Referendum will be put on hold. The Board members expressed their desire for more time to consider options on this important matter.

Your involvement and staying informed is important to the Board of Directors. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any assistance as we proceed.

Sincerely,

*Sandy*

Sanford J. Prince IV  
Superintendent