

THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY

TO: Full Board

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SUBJECT: Registration of Public Schools

DATE: September 2, 2011

STRATEGIC GOAL: Goals 1 and 2

AUTHORIZATION(S):

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Regents register the public elementary and high schools listed in the attached table?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by Commissioner's Regulations Section 100.2(p).

Proposed Handling

The question will come before the Regents for action at its September 2011 meeting.

Procedural History

Beginning in July 2003, the Regents have annually approved the registration of new public schools.

Background Information

Commissioner's Regulations require that districts that seek to register a public elementary, intermediate or high school must submit a petition to the Board of Regents seeking registration of such schools.

Commissioner's Regulations require petitions for schools opening the following school year to be submitted by June 15; however, the Commissioner may waive this

timeline for good cause. This year the Department received a submission after June 15 from the Buffalo City School District to register Grabiarz-Campus #79 and Unadilla Valley Central School District to register Unadilla Valley Central School. The schools listed on the attached table are being recommended by the Commissioner for registration, based upon the school districts submitting petitions and supporting materials for the schools certifying the districts' commitment to operate these schools in compliance with applicable statutes, rules, and regulations relating to public schools and in compliance with applicable building codes.

Attachment A provides the schools for which the districts have petitioned for registration to be effective with the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year.

After the registration of these schools, pursuant to section 100.2(p) of Commissioner's Regulations, the accountability status of the newly registered schools will be determined by the Commissioner. School districts that seek to register new public elementary and high schools must submit an addendum to the petition that provides such information as:

- Student admission criteria, including those pertaining to English language learners and students with disabilities, and zoning patterns;
- Staffing (administration and instructional);
- o Curricula; and,
- Facilities

This information is used to determine whether a school should open with an accountability status of "Good Standing" or should carry over the accountability status of a school from which it split, into which it merged, or for which it is the successor.

Recommendation

VOTED: That the schools listed on the attached table be registered.

Timetable for Implementation

The schools listed in Attachment A will be registered effective with the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year.

Attachment A

Public Schools Recommended for Registration for the 2011-2012 School Year						
School District (SD)	Official Name of School	Address	Grade Configuration 2011-2012	Grade Configuration at Full Growth	2011-2012 Projected Enrollment	Enrollment at Full Growth
UNADILLA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT	UNADILLA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL	4238 HIGHWAY 8 NEW BERLIN, NY 13411	K-12	K-12	812	1200
BUFFALO CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT	GRABIARZ-CAMPUS #79	225 LAWN AVENUE, BUFFALO, NY 14207	PK-8	PK-8	600	600