

**Town of
BENNINGTON
New Hampshire
Inc. 1842**

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Greetings;

I am the Town Administrator for the Town of Bennington, NH.

Your ConVal School Board and Administration have contracted with an organization, Prismatic Services, from Charlotte, N.C. The objective being to gather information about our district's current school configuration and recommend possible reconfigurations for your voting approval.

The first meeting will take place in each individual town separately, at different times. It will be a hosted in-person (attended) meeting. Hosting will be done by Prismatic Services.

The first meeting will take place in our town at our elementary school with a date of Monday, October 2, 2023. It will begin at 7:00 PM and is openly scheduled to last for approximately 1 ½ hours. Please let the office know if you will be able to attend this important meeting. Either call 603-588-2189 and let Deb Davidson or Cathy McGillicuddy know, or you can email at ddavidson@townofbennington.com. Please let us know prior to September 18.

The second meeting (On-line forum) will be in a hosted on-line asynchronous environment with no in-person (attended) participation. This second meeting will be with the participation of all towns combined. Hosting will be done by Prismatic Services.

The second meeting is currently scheduled to take place sometime during the week of October 9-October 13. As soon as we firm up the one day in that week that the second meeting will be held, I will let you know.

There will also be an on-line survey for you to fill out. This survey will be available on-line during the weeks of Sept 11 to Sept. 22 (2 weeks).

Summary information about these meetings and on-line survey is attached. These meetings have been designed for your input.

Your ConVal School board and ConVal Administration promised to be open and transparent in this process and as you can see, they are.

Please take the time to respond.

Thanking you in advance.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra Davidson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Debra Davidson, Town Administrator

Individual town meetings, on-line forum and survey

Individual Town Meetings:

Your school board and ConVal Administration are arranging for, and Prismatic will host, a meeting in each town at a time and place to be selected.. The meetings will be scheduled for late September.

The objective of the meetings will be to gather input from town residents about the district's current school configuration and possible reconfigurations. The meetings will be designed to allow residents to provide input via a variety of formats, including written responses to posted questions, prioritizing different options, short videos, and sharing with Prismatic consultants. Residents will be able to provide meaningful input in their preferred format(s), even if they only have 15 minutes to drop in.

Online Forum:

All town residents will have the opportunity to provide input to Prismatic regarding the district's current school configuration and possible reconfigurations via an online, asynchronous forum. Residents will be able to respond to posted questions, view the responses of others, and respond to those responses. This forum will be monitored and moderated by Prismatic.

Survey:

All town residents will be asked to respond to an online survey. Prismatic will be seeking input from those with children currently in ConVal schools as well as those without. All responses will be held confidential by Prismatic and only aggregate results will be shared with district staff and publicly.