



CONTOOCCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD (SAU 1)

Antrim · Bennington · Dublin · Frankestown · Greenfield · Hancock · Peterborough · Sharon · Temple
106 Hancock Road · Peterborough, NH 03458

Statement from the Contoocook Valley School Board on the Withdrawal of Frankestown from the District

The Contoocook Valley School Board acknowledges the result of the district-wide vote on the withdrawal of Frankestown from the ConVal School District. The measure received 77 percent support from Frankestown voters and 46 percent support district-wide, meeting the requirements under state law for withdrawal. The School Board recognizes the strong views that residents across our communities brought to this question and respects the democratic process through which this decision was made.

For nearly six decades, our nine towns have worked together through ConVal to educate our children. That partnership has allowed our communities to share resources, manage risk, and provide educational opportunities that would be difficult for any one town to sustain alone.

With the vote now concluded, the School Board's focus will turn to two responsibilities:

First, we will work in good faith with the Town of Frankestown and all relevant parties to carry out the withdrawal process in accordance with state law, while ensuring that Frankestown students and families continue to have a positive school year during this transition.

Second, and most importantly, we will focus on the continued strength and long-term stability of the ConVal School District for the students and communities of our district.

This transition will present operational and financial challenges. The School Board and district administration approaches this work with transparency, professionalism, and careful stewardship of public resources. Our responsibility is to ensure that ConVal continues to provide a high-quality, sustainable education for the students of our member towns.

The School Board is committed to guiding the district through this difficult transition responsibly and to ensuring that ConVal remains a strong and stable school district for the communities and students we serve.

Mike Hoyt

Chairman, Contoocook Valley School Board

mhoyt@conval.edu