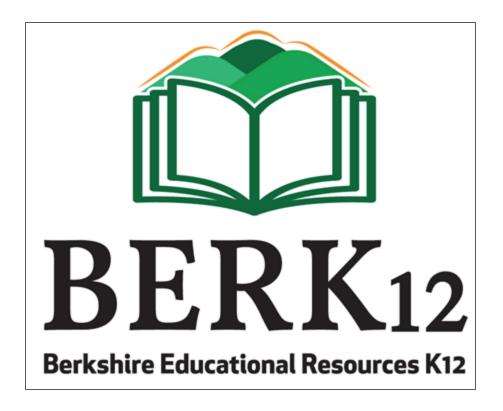
Our solution.

November 8, 2025

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We bring school and community partners together



...much to be grateful for!

- Call to order (A. Wadsworth)
- 2. Introductions/welcome (A. Wadsworth)
- 3. Approval of minutes
- 4. Updates from Chair and Exec. Committee (A. Wadsworth, J. Eberwein)

Advocacy
View book (responses)

FY27 Funding

5. Budget & funding update (J. Eberwein)

Status of FY26 Earmark
FY26 Funding/Budget spending plan

FY26 Project/Funding Prospects, update
Approval of additional funding for contracts

- 6. BERK12 Working Domains
  - K12 WORKING DOMAINS
    - A. Collaborative projects

      Portrait of a Graduate: (B. Sheran)

BRAINworks: (L. Donovan)

Other

B. Professional development (W. Ballen, J. Rush, Team)

County-wide PD, November 4th debrief

Updates:

Mentoring & induction Study action teams

Professional learning networks

Para professional training

- PAL and other PD considerations
- C. Networking & advocacy (Team)

Convening (on hold pending funding)

BSTA

Website update: First semester newsletter - thoughts? Do we have the resources?

D. Research towards partnerships (J. Eberwein, Team)

Mohawk Trail – Hawlemont: Phase III

Rowe – Task I Introductory Study

6 District Partnership (Gill-Pioneer) Support

North Berkshire County Sustainability Study

Other (conversations on restructuring, leadership support, targeted PD)



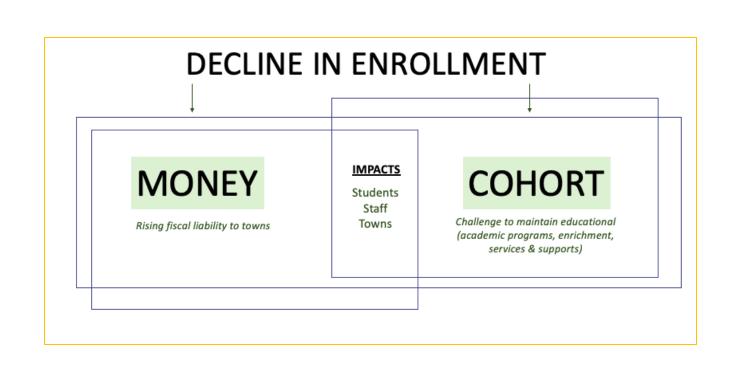
- 7. Items raised by BERK12 members (A. Wadsworth)
- 8. Public participation (A. Wadsworth)
- 9. Determination of date for next meeting (A. Wadsworth)
- 10. Adjournment

#### Our aims



Berkshire Educational Resources K-12 (BERK12) brings together districts and community partners to ensure access to high-quality educational experiences across Western Massachusetts.

In light of declining enrollment and stretched resources (people and dollars), we believe that connecting partners is imperative to improving student outcomes and the social, cultural, and economic conditions throughout Berkshire County.



#### <u>MISSION</u>

**Our mission** is to support Berkshire County school districts, educators, and community partners by collaboratively offering <u>solutions</u> to short and long-term issues, in order to promote high quality public education, which <u>all</u> children deserve, regardless of background or circumstance.

We are thinking and planning for the future!

We are Berkshire County's most comprehensive cross-sector organization focused on education!

#### QUOTE OF THE MONTH!



"..we're thrilled to share this news with the students who inform and inspire our work. We're so excited to create spaces to enhance and improve their learning opportunities and environment."

~ BHRSD Superintendent Peter Dillon.

#### Photo of the month!



#### Letter: Students deserve better — vote yes for Monument Mountain

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**HERE** 

Pittsfield's busing operation is not compatible with its middle school restructuring plan, the superintendent says

By Greg Sukiennik, The Berkshire Eagle 12 hrs ago 🗏 4 min to read

#### **NEWS**

#### Proposal to redefine graduation standards raises fears of high-stakes testing's return

By Greg Sukiennik, The Berkshire Eagle Oct 20, 2025







With SNAP benefits halted, Berkshire County Head Start steps up to support local families

By Dylan Thompson, The Berkshire Eagle Nov 6, 2025 💂 2 min to read



With declining enrollment, Farmington River Regional School is combining its preschool classroom as a cost-saving measure

By Jane Kaufman, The Berkshire Eagle Oct 28, 2025 

3 min to read



Sophia Spiegel Boston University Statehouse Program

Mass.

Oct. 30, 2025, 4:47 a.m. FT

X 🞽 🏕 Key Points Al-assisted summary (1)

- A new report warns that Massachusetts municipalities face a "perfect storm" of fiscal pressures from inflation, flat or reduced state aid and property tax limits.
- State aid for municipalities has dropped significantly, while Proposition 2½ restricts property tax growth to 2.5% annually.
- Some communities have had to cut staff and services after failing to pass tax overrides to raise additional revenue

6 Editorial

Our Opinion

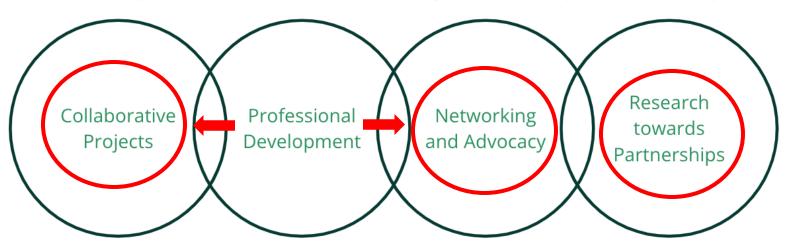
## Our Opinion: 'Regionalization' shouldn't be a dirty word in Northern Berkshire schools' exploratory conversation

Sep 25, 2025 📱 2 min to read



#### How We Work

We bring educators & community partners together through:



+ TARGETED SOLUTIONS (BY DISTRICT/ORGANIZATION)



#### Increase district capacity

In order to:

#### TO HELP SCHOOLS MAKE BETTER WHAT CURRENTLY EXISTS. TO HELP EXPLORE WHAT COULD BE.

#### By facilitating:

- Greater fiscal efficiency
- Greater educational effectiveness
- Greater access, opportunity & equity for students

#### Resulting in:

The highest quality education across the Berkshires that provides all children with a broad array of high-quality and developmentally appropriate educational opportunities that will enable them to successfully complete postsecondary degrees and/or become productive members of the workforce and citizens in a democratic society.

#### Success

#### CHAIR/EXEC/PM

Advocacy View book FY 27 Funding FY 26 Farmark



Line 7010-1192: provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to Berkshire Educational Resources K-12 to perform regionalization and efficiency work with public school districts in Berkshire county and with the Mohawk Trail regional school district in Franklin county.



#### **FUNDING AND BUDGET**

#### **BUDGET UPDATES:**

#### FY25 is closed out

FY25 Earmark Report can be accessed <u>HERE</u>.

#### FY26 Revenue (in-hand)

- FY25 Earmark
- O Barr Portrait (year 2 of 3)
- Barr Exit (will be spent down by Jan 2026)
- Feigenbaum
- District Agreements
- O Various contracts (mentoring, induction, etc.)
- O BRAINworks (Berkshire Taconic, Mill Town)
- Carry over MISC/Revolving

#### FY26 Revenue (high confidence)

- Mohawk-Trail/Hawlemont Phase III: NOT ALL FUNDS
- O Rowe: Task I

#### Prospects, FY26

- Northern Berkshire Sustainability
- Additional CPPI work (In Pittsfield or other communities)
- Professional Development
- Other restructuring/consolidation district needs
- Targeted projects for example, emergency planning

#### **Current contracts:**

B. Sheran: Barr Portrait (only)

J. Rush: BERK12 support, Mentoring, Induction

H. Marshall: Mentoring, Induction

B. Ballen: 1 month, BERK12L. Donovan: BRAINworksL. Appleget: BRAINworks

Vendors/faculty-staff – various projects

#### Upcoming/needed contracts:

J. Eberwein: 2D8T/Rowe/BERK12

B. Sheran: 2D8T/Rowe

J. Rush: 2D8T

B. Ballen: Balance of year, BERK12

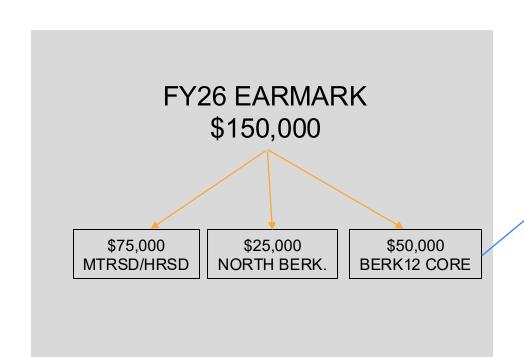
M. Nash: 2D8T/BERK12

#### Banked/Project specific:

Banked: Website, grants, finance

Needed: Public relations, actuarial, field/lit., legal, grants, transportation – as projects

emerge



#### \$50,000 core

- BERK12 backbone
- Convening
- PLN/SA
- Website/Dashboard

# **WORK PRIORITIES**

#### FY2026 Projects

#### YES/LIKELY

- Mohawk Trail Hawlemont Sustainability, Phase III
- Barr Portrait of a Graduate Year 2 of 3
- November PD Day
- New Teacher Induction/Mentor Training
- Teacher gatherings & low-cost PD
- Website/Dashboard
- BRAINworks (BTCF) THRU DECEMBER 2025
- Networks (BSTA)
- Ongoing advocacy efforts (for example, rural network)
- 6 Town Partnership (support for community engagement/campaign)
- View book (develop and print)
- Convening
- Professional Learning Networks

#### **MAYBE**

- Northern Berkshire Sustainability (FY26 Earmarks)
- Other restructuring/consolidation district needs
- Study-Action Teams

#### **FUNDING DEPENDENT**

- Additional CPPI or "like" work (In Pittsfield or other communities)
- Other restructuring/consolidation district needs
- Other Professional Development

#### Our work domains.



Updates.

#### **Professional Development**

#### Bill:

- November 4 Recap
   Next year? County-wide/Thanksgiving week
- PLNs

#### Judy:

- Mentoring and Induction
- PAL study
- CBRSD Paraprofessional Training
- Convening

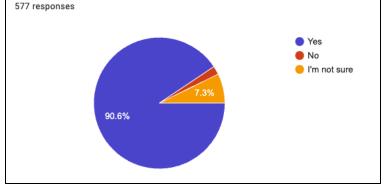


#### NOVEMBER 4: COUNTY-WIDE PD

- 800 EDUCATORS
- 14 SCHOOL DISTRICTS
- 42 WORKSHOPS
- 96%



Would you like to see a countywide PD day continue in the future? The current form of this day involves educators and organizations offering workshops, along with educators being able to attend workshops of their choosing across the region.



- I think it is a great opportunity every year. I hope it continues.
- It would be great if we could have these county-wide PDs more than once a year as countervailing force against the "Berkshire Bubble" condition that often stifles my efforts to branch out. I appreciate the networking and fellowship.
- I would just like to see more of this kind of thing happening more often.
- I think it should include ALL Berkshire districts:)
- It was inspiring and practical at the same time. Great professional people leading the workshops and such a nice locale. It felt like a real retreat.

#### **Collaborative Projects**

- Portrait of a Graduate, Barr
- BRAINworks



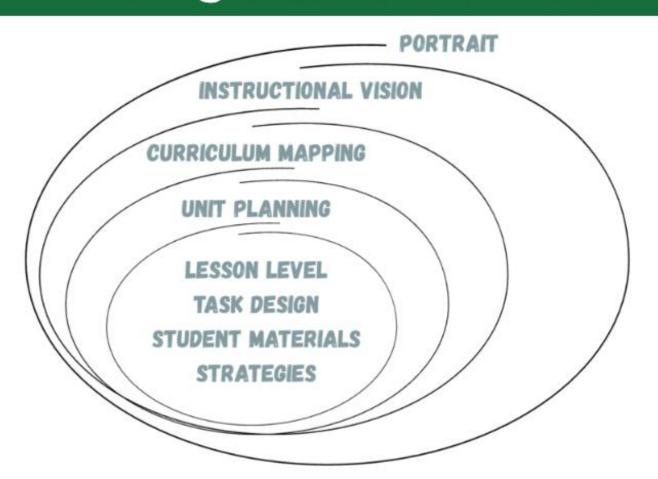
### Berkshire Portrait of a Graduate

#### **Our Berkshires Collaboration Team!**



Barr PoG Network Convening - Berkshires Collaboration

#### **Building a Coherent Vision**



#### Berkshire Portrait of a Graduate - Project Updates

 Theme for the Year - Building Bright Spots supporting effective instructional practices through PD, coaching, classroom observation, and peer exchanges

- 3 Day Barr Fall Convening Salem / Newton, MA
  - Focus: skill building on teacher coaching and professional development planning
- Berkshire PoG November Network Convening
  - Focus: Looking at student work and PoG incorporation
- Ongoing over 40 educators participating this year in workshops through Harvard's Project Zero

#### What's Next...

- Schools finalizing PD plans each school provided \$4500 in flexible PD support funds
- School and District leader check-ins Dec. or Jan.
  - w/Barr (school) and w/Berkl2 (district)
- Instructional vision development and planning



Berkshire PoG Nov. 4th Network Convening



BERKSHIRE COUNTY MAKES ART WORK



# LEVERAGING THE ARTS FOR HIGH-IMPACT LEARNING

BERK12 COUNTYWIDE PD DAY | 2025
TANGLEWOOD'S LINDE CENTER FOR MUSIC & LEARNING



#### Today's Agenda

- 8:30 Welcome & Overview
- 8:50 Centering What's Pressing & Warming Up
- 10:15 Morning Workshop Sessions
- Noon Lunch
- 1:00 Afternoon Workshop Sessions
- 2:45 Regroup for Giveaways, Evaluation & Closing
- 3:00 Departure



Curriculum in Motion™: Artist Educators are in residence in schools and work in the classroom, guiding teachers and students in creating original movement that applies choreographic approaches, creative processes, and kinesthetic learning strategies to investigate and solve problems, articulate ideas, contextualize content, affirm intuitive knowledge, work cooperatively, and improve self-esteem.



Behind the Scenes at MASS MoCA: The new two-visit model would include a behind-the-scenes look at either an exhibition currently in development, or a visual or performing artist residency where new work is being developed at the museum, as well as an exploration of careers in the creative sector.



Playwright Mentoring Program is an intensive out-of-school activity that uses theater as a catalyst to help young people learn valuable life skills. PMP is offered at no cost to the students, and no audition is required. Meeting weekly, PMP offers teenagers a brave space to talk about difficult issues in their daily lives. Participants learn the fundamentals of devising, playwriting, and improvisation from experienced mentors. Theater is used as a means of self-exploration and self-expression. Over the course of the program, teens collaborate to create an original performance piece based on their own stories.



The Problem We All Live With: Learning about Civil Rights Through Art is a free offering to Berkshire Country schools that will provide opportunities for young people to explore the Civil Rights movement through the arts. These will take place either on a guided tour of the Museum, or during an in-class visit by a museum educator using the NRM's Virtual Field Trip platform. Students will participate in guided discussion with a museum educator of key objects from the Museum's collection that focus on Civil Rights including Norman Rockwell's iconic The Problem We All Live With. Lessons will explore how these artworks operate within the social, political, and historical contexts at the time the artworks were made and today.

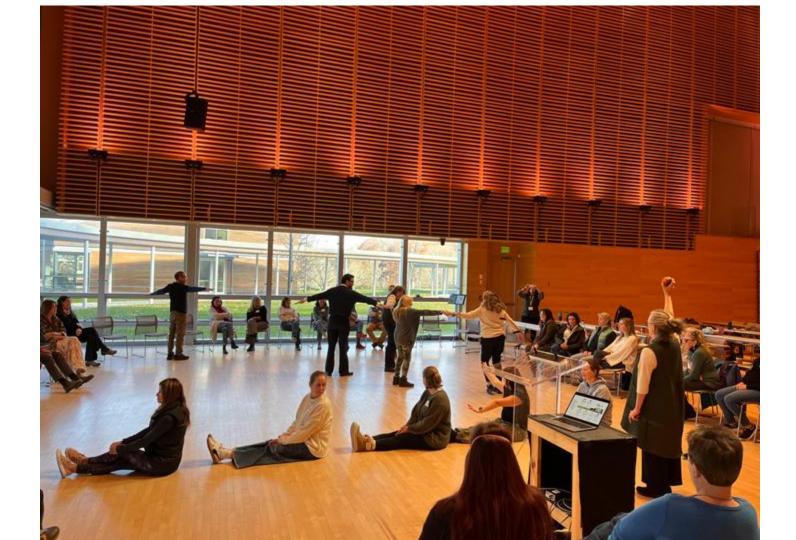


Ballot Ballad: Youth Voice, Civic Power, and the American Songbook: An interdisciplinary civics curriculum integrates art and advocacy to empower students with knowledge of their voting rights through collaborative and creative expression. Using theater, movement, and songwriting—rooted in American singer-songwriter traditions—students co-create an original performance that educates both performers and audience members about the right to vote and the broader importance of civic engagement.



Berkshire Museum: Science of Color Mobile Museum Unit: The activation lesson for the Colour MoMU engages students in seeing and using color, especially how culture affects perception, challenging their notion of reality and the way their brain functions. A true STEAM experience, it incorporates multiple thinking routines, sessions of group work (both discourse and problem-solving), metacognition, and an activity where they learn indigenous methods of creating color, and then use those methods to create red paint from cochineal bugs.

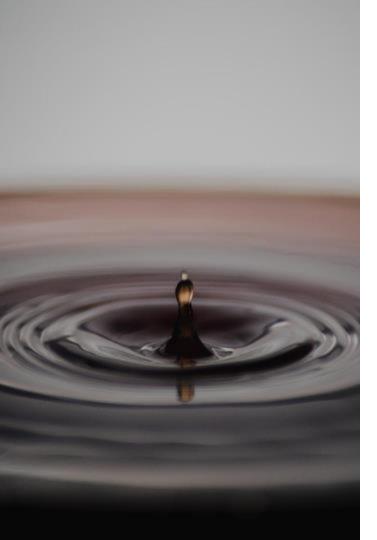












# What's Pressing?



# An Economic Powerhouse

According to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, in 2023 arts and culture in Massachusetts:

- \$29.7 billion in spending and economic activity
- 4% of the state's gross domestic product (GDP)
- · 130K+ jobs
- · Larger than construction, utilities, manufacturing, and 3 times the size of transportation sector
- · Same size as retail sector
- · Mass Cultural Council's budget is approximately 0.04% of the Commonwealth's FY25 budget.

### The Problem

- A 2024 report by the Strategic National Arts Alumni Project (SNAAP) identified that 75% of people with bachelor's degrees in the arts and design are working in their field.
- The Cultural Asset Inventory shows that approximately 50% of people working in our field in Massachusetts have at least a bachelor's degree.



We are a highly educated field, but there is a sustainability gap.



# Networking & Advocacy

- Convening
- BSTA (W. Ballen)
- Dashboard/Website Transition
- Viewbook



### **BERK12: Third Annual Convening**

March 20, 2025
Berkshire Community College
60-85 Participants



- Networking Breakfast
- Welcome/Introductions
- Keynote Speaker
- Topic #1: Graduation Standards
- Topic #2: TBD
- Closing Keynote/Message of Inspiration
- Networking Lunch

#### WHY?

- Bring together. Reconvene a group of educators/educational stakeholders/partners (that has historically met through the now inactive Compact for Education).
- Raise awareness. Share key information about educational indicators and initiatives through targeted
  presentations and speakers.
- Collide. Strengthen formal and information network connections by gathering, participating in formal
  programming, interacting informally during coffee and lunch, and learning about what we're all doing.
- Mutually reinforcing. Identify key challenges and opportunities across educational organizations and community sectors as potential areas of focus.
- Align. Efforts and activities towards shared aims, including possible partnerships and collaborative projects.





Berkshire Educational Resources K-12 (BERK12)

### Website redesign

#### Berkshire Educational Resources K-12 (BERK12)









#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Check out the (Sept. 2025) BERK 12 VIEWBOOK HERE!
- Read about BERK12's effort to support the CPPI grant, Berkshire Eagle, <u>HERE</u>
- Read about the impending northern Berkshire regionalization study. HERE

  UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY MEETING

#### FOCUS AREAS

- COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS
- → PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

  → NETWORKING AND ADVOCACY
- SUSTAINABILITY

### No

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BLOCK CALENDAR OF EVENTS



#### **Our Services**

BERKIZ is our region's most comprehensive cross-sector organization focused on education. We are eager to collaboratively improve educational systems and structures in our schools. Services can be customized to meet the needs of districts.

MEET WITH U

PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND FACILITATION

W RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS

PROGRAM EVALUATION

TEAM BUILDING, MEDIATION, AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

V NEEDS ASSESSMENTS

POLICY ANALYSIS



#### **ADDITION**

**Berkshire Educational Resources K12** 

VIEWBOOK 2025

We bring schools and community partners together



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- · List of services offered

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

For nearly a decade, BERK12 has worked to bring together school districts, educators, and the communities they serve to strengthen education across Berkshire County. As we reflect on this journey, we are reminded of both the challenges and the promise of our collective work.

Our fundamental focus has always been on the fact that our county's cities and towns face intense pressures from rising operating costs while also carrying the responsibility of providing effective, efficient, and high-quality schools. This tension is real, and it requires collaboration, creativity, and a willingness to explore new and promising solutions. BERK12 exists because no single district or community in our region can address these challenges alone. We are stronger, and the education we offer our students can be better, when we work together.

Throughout this viewbook you will see examples of what that collaboration looks like in practice. From the Berkshire multi-district *Portrait of a Graduate* initiative to cross-district professional development, from sustainability studies to expanded preschool access, BERK12 has become a means for ideas to take root and partnerships to thrive. These efforts are not only about improving districts' academic programs and educational excellence; they also can create conditions for pathways to long-term fiscal sustainability.

We are proud of the progress that has been made, but we are also aware that there is more work to be done. The future of public education in Berkshire County depends on our shared commitment to ensuring that every child whom our school districts are charged with educating has access to a full range of educational opportunities, and that every community has schools they can sustain and celebrate.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support in this important work. Together, we can meet today's challenges and build a stronger future for our students and our region.

With gratitude, Andrea Wadsworth, BERK12 Chair, 2025 William Cameron, BERK12 Chair, 2026

LINK HERE FOR AN ELECTRONIC COPY

# Research Towards Partnerships

Mohawk Trail-Hawlemont Northern Berkshire Districts Rowe



# Link to last slide deck, <u>HERE</u>

### **AGENDA, NOV 4, 2025**

- Review of Minutes from September 24, 2025
- II. Update on Current Areas of Focus
- III. Community Engagement
  - Upcoming Community Meetings: November and Beyond
  - Feedback on Proposed Talking Points and Other Documents
  - Report on Select Board Meetings
  - Site Visits
- IV. Educational Visioning Update
- V. Financial Update
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Next Meeting



### **WORK PLAN – (6) TASK AREAS**

Project facilitation: work plan, meetings, oversight/facilitation, administration/logistics, etc.

Regional agreement (drafting): agreement vetted by DESE, approved by Steering Committee and School Committees

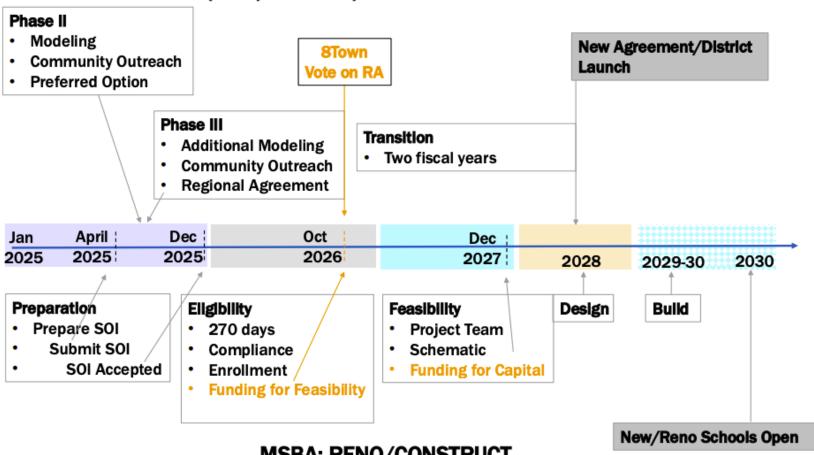
Educational visioning: community engagement in refining educational plan, vision, reflect grade span/facility changes, programs/services/experiences

Community engagement: ongoing outreach (information) and engagement/feedback sessions.

Targeted analysis: additional analysis on transportation, finance/OPEB, staffing, special education, facilities, PK

Advocacy: visits, key state stakeholders, funding, MSBAeligibility (?)

#### (NEW/REVISED) REGIONAL AGREEMENT



MSBA: RENO/CONSTRUCT

AREA OF ANALYSIS/WORK	PROGRESS
TRANSPORTATION	Robin and Jake working on analysis of single tier, single campus. Focus on ride times.
STAFFING	Bill/Sheryl organizing information to support BERK12 analysis
FACILITIES	BERK12 will organize an updated brief: 1) Best practices, 2) Case studies, 3) What we heard
ECONOMICS/SOCIAL IMPACT	Hanover ready, actively seeking funding - once secured, 2D8T will work to develop research plan and timeline.
PREK	Meeting on 11/6 to shape out PreK vision in a single campus model
FINANCE	On hold
REGIONAL AGREEMENT	Prepare draft to begin review in January 2026
ROWE	Advancing TASK I with community meeting set for December 11, 2025 – a straw poll and decision to join 2D8T effort should follow shortly thereafter
ENROLLMENT (UPDATE)	Provided to Steering Committee. Will be added to as additional information flows.

# **Educational Visioning Draft Timeline**





#### 2DISTRICTS8TOWNS COMMUNITY MEETINGS

### Change is coming to MTRSD and HRSD.

Bring your voice and be a part of shaping the future of the two districts. Attend in person or go to 2districts8towns.org to get Zoom links.

**Buckland-Shelburne** Elementary 6:30-7:45 pm

Nov

Hawlemont Elementary 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

Nov Mohawk Trail Regional School 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Dec 3

Sanderson Academy 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

Dec Colrain Central School 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

			BLOCK 1			BLOCK 2			BLOCK 3	
	BERK12	IN HAND	mid-October through May?		CONFIDENT	January through June		NOT YET	March through July/August	
	FULL	MT/SD/HRSD		E	BERK 12 EARMARK	<		FUNDED		
	PROPOSAL	5100,000.00			\$75,000.00			\$100,000.00		
PROJECT FACILITATION	\$125,000.00	\$50,000.00	Project Manager, 16hrs/week including s community outreach, regional agreemen support for additional areas of analysis ( 31 weeks - Oct 15 to mid-May).	nt, and	\$53,000.00	Project manager and additional team hours towards various areas of analysis, regional agreement, community outreach, etc.	$\setminus$	\$20,000.00	Project manager and additional team hours towards various areas of analysis, regional agreement, community outreach, etc.	
PROJECT SUPPORT			None	<b>\</b>		Some			All	
EDUCATIONAL VISIONING	\$50,000.0	\$50,000.00	Full educational visioning budget							
FISCAL ANALYSIS	\$25,000.0		None	\ /	\$15,000.00	Limited hours from the Abrahams group for some fiscal analysis.		\$10,000.00	Limited hours from the Abrahams group for some fiscal analysis.	
ACTUARIAL STUDY	\$9,000 00		None					\$9,000.00	Actuarial study (Odyssey Advisors)	
HANOVER/RESEARCH STUDY	\$40,000 00		None	V				\$ 40,000.00	Hanover research (economics, school closure) study	
TRAVEL	\$8,000.00		None		\$2,000.00	Some travel (field trips, consultant travel)		6,000.00	Additional field trips	
SUPPLIES	\$2,000.00		None		\$1,000.00	Office and gathering supplies/food		1,000.00	Office and gathering supplies/food	
MARKETING/PROMOTIONAL	\$12,000.00		None		\$2,000.00	Limited printing/promotion		\$10,000.00	Additional outreach work, possible direct mailing (s)	
WEBSITE	\$1,500.00		None							
TOTAL	\$272,500 00	\$100,000.00			\$73,000.00			\$96,000.00		\$269,000.00
			What gets done:			What gets done:			What gets done:	
			Project facilitation, planning organization	. /\		Balance of project facilitation, planning, organization			Additional analysis areas including finance, staffing, regional agreement, transportation, etc.	
			Full educational visioning	_/\		Closing of educational visioning			More community outreach (inluding design, mailings, etc.)	
			Some analysis areas (within the PM hou	ırs)		Additional analysis areas including finance, facilities, regional agreement, transportation, etc.	/		All Phase III fiscal analysis and other areas (special education, staffing, contracts)	
			Some community outeach (within the PN remaining BERK12 hours)	A hours and		Additional community outreach (although limited)			Actuarial study	
				/		Possible limited field trips			More funds for field trips	

STAGED WORK PLAN BASED ON ANTICIPATED/YET TO BE SECURED FUNDING

### **TRANSPORTATION**

ROUTE #	PICKUP/STOP			Identify	grade for each	student at pic	kup site	RIDE TIME	
MTRS	LOCATION	TIME	# STUDENTS	GRADE	GRADE	GRADE	GRADE		
2	River Rd.	6:34	3	7	8	11		0:57	
2	Pudding Hollow Rd/Middle Rd	6:44	2	7	7			0:47	
2	West Hawley RD/Savoy Rd.	6:49	1	8				0:42	
2	East Hawley Rd.	7:00	3	8	11	12		0:31	
2	Hunt Rd/East Hawley Rd.	7:10	1	11				0:21	
2	Ashfield Rd/East Hawley Rd. (Hawley Fire Station).	7:12	1	11				0:19	
2	Buckland Rd (Hawley)	7:16	1	11				0:15	
2	Dodge Rd./Clesson Brook Rd.	7:19	3	9	8	7		0:12	
2	Clesson Brook Rd	7:22	1	8				0:09	
2	Mohawk Trail Regional School	7:31	16	GRADES 7-12		ALL STUDENT		S	
		0:57					AVERAGE	0:28	%
TOTALS		MINUTES					OVER 60	0	0.0%
							OVER 30	9	56.3%
								16	
ROUTING DE	TAILS								
ROUTE #	PICKUP/STOP		Identify grade for each student at pickup site			RIDE TIME			
HRS	LOCATION	TIME	# STUDENTS	GRADE	GRADE	GRADE	GRADE		
2	Dodge Rd/Clesson Brook Rd	8:07	1	K				0:23	
2	Forget Rd	8:15	2	2	4			0:15	
2	East Hawley Rd	8:18	4	1	2	5		0:12	
2	Hawlemont Elementary School	8:30	7	<b>GRADES PK-6</b>			ALL STUDENT	S	
		0:23					AVERAGE	0:16	0
TOTALS		MINUTES					OVER 60	0	0.0%
							OVER 30	0	0.0%
								7	

882

COMBINED

DISTRICT	2023/4	2024/5	2025/6	%CHANGE (# STUDENTS)
MTRSD	816	814	772	-5.4% (-44)
HRSD	66	71	74	+12.1% (+8)

885

846

-4.1% (-36)

### **DOCUMENTS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST:**

- PLAN OF ACTION
- <u>UPDATED ENROLLMENT REPORT</u>
- COMMUNITY OUTREACH PLAN
- WHITE PAPER ON SCHOOL CLOSURES/REGIONALIZATION
- TALKING POINTS
- <u>HISTORICAL SUMMARY</u>
- DRIVING QUESTIONS
- TOWN TO-DO LIST REGIONAL AGREEMENTS

**ROWE: TASK I STUDY** 

#### Objectives of Task I

We anticipate the following will be accomplished in Task I, BERK12 will:

- 1. Prepare a concise overview of Rowe's **district baseline profile** (enrollment, staffing, finances, educational quality, student performance, etc.).
- Host opportunities for community engagement, including two focus groups (faculty/staff and parents/families) and a community meeting.
- Organize and facilitate the community meeting to review baseline and engagement findings, and discuss the possibility of Rowe joining the nine-town region.
- Conduct a straw/non-binding poll to measure readiness and community sentiment regarding participation in the 2D8T study.
- 5. Identify areas where additional data or information may be required before advancing to Task II.

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? DECISION TO MOVE AHEAD WITH 2D8T?

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Pioneer School Committee votes not to recommend proposal





by Erin-Leigh Hoffman and Madison Schofield October 17, 2025

DESE recommends postponing votes on Gill-Montague, Pioneer merge

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