



REMINDER

The Wells Springs Unified Union Board of School Directors
Will Hold Its Annual Meeting as Follows:

DATE & TIME:

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, at 7:00 PM

LOCATION:

**Middletown Springs Elementary School
15 School House Road
Middletown Springs, VT**

or Remotely:

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**The Board Will Present the Proposed School Budget
To the Public and Will Be Available to Answer Questions.
Please Join Us in Support of Your Schools!**

If you would like to review the annual report ahead of the meeting, please contact your local School, Town Office, or Library. Additionally, the annual report will be made available online at www.grcsu.org.



GRCSU FY27 Budget Information

In order to ensure a smooth annual meeting, we are encouraging community members to submit their questions in advance. These questions will be answered during the annual meeting.
Your questions can be submitted to Louis Milazzo at louis.milazzo@grcsu.org

Wells Springs Unified Union School District Annual Report

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Wells Springs UUSD Board Members

Eric Montbriand-Board Chair, Wells, VT

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Amanda Weeden-Wells, VT

Dear Wells Springs Community,

It is my privilege to present this year's Chairman's Report on behalf of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District Board. As Chair, I remain deeply grateful for the tireless efforts of our educators, administrators, district staff, students, families, and our broader community.

Throughout the year, the Board has focused on overseeing a high-quality educational experience while navigating the ongoing challenges facing public education, including rising costs, evolving student needs, and legislative changes. We have worked closely with our administration to ensure that our schools remain safe, supportive, and academically strong environments where all students can learn and thrive. Additionally, the board has continued our focus on advancing progress in community engagement, monitoring student outcomes, and legislative activity.

Community Engagement

This year, the Board maintained our emphasis on strengthening communication and engagement with stakeholders across the communities we serve. Recognizing that informed, collaborative relationships are essential to student success. Providing consistent updates via an email subscription, the district website, and online resources such as Front Porch Forum to ensure the community is well-informed about board activities and information. We will continue refining channels for feedback and participation so every voice in our district can be heard and valued.

Monitoring Student Outcomes

Student achievement remains at the forefront of our work. The Board systematically reviewed student performance data across key indicators: academic growth, literacy proficiency, and mathematics proficiency. Throughout the year, the Board received regular reports from district leadership and the Superintendent on student assessments and progress toward each school's continuous improvement plans. Our monitoring process reaffirms where we are seeing meaningful progress and, just as importantly, where circumstances call for strategic investments and interventions.

State Legislative Activity: H.454 / Act 73 (2025)

The Board has devoted significant attention to understanding and responding to state legislative activity that may impact our district's governance, finance, and operational landscape — most notably **House Bill H.454** and its enactment as **Act 73 of 2025**. The introduction of education reform has also paused the board's previous efforts to explore district consolidation.

Act 73 represents the most sweeping education transformation legislation in Vermont in decades and establishes new statewide structures for education governance and funding. Passed by the Legislature and signed into law in July 2025, Act 73 aims to transform Vermont's education finance system through a foundation formula, create new statewide standards and requirements, and task the state with consolidating current school districts into larger regional configurations by 2028.

The Board has actively engaged in understanding these developments and their implications for our district's future. Key areas of focus have included:

- **Monitoring Redistricting and Governance Proposals** — Act 73 establishes a School District Redistricting Task Force charged with proposing new statewide district maps for legislative consideration. The outcome of this

process may lead to significant shifts in local governance structures and will influence how our district delivers services in the years ahead.

- **Assessing Fiscal Impact and Compliance Requirements** — Analyses of the new education finance model under Act 73 to anticipate changes in revenue allocation, budgeting, and per-student funding formulas that will affect local budget planning.

The Board remains mindful of both the opportunities and uncertainties presented by Act 73. We will continue to engage with state policymakers, the Vermont School Boards Association, and fellow districts to ensure that any transition respects local voices, preserves quality in educational service, and strengthens long-term outcomes for our students.

As we look ahead, the importance of a passed school budget cannot be overstated. The budget is more than a financial document—it is a reflection of our collective priorities and our commitment to providing equitable opportunities for every student. A successful budget allows the district to plan responsibly, retain skilled educators, maintain programs and services, and avoid disruptive cuts that can have lasting impacts on students and staff. It also provides stability for taxpayers by enabling thoughtful, long-term financial planning rather than short-term fixes.

We recognize that budget decisions are not easy, particularly in times of economic uncertainty. The Board has worked diligently to balance fiscal responsibility with our students' educational needs, and we believe the proposed budget represents a careful, transparent, and necessary investment in the future of our schools.

We extend our deepest gratitude to our administrators, educators, support staff, families, and community partners for your collaboration and dedication. Your continued partnership sustains our shared work and advances the success of public education in Wells Springs.

Sincerely, Eric Montbriand
Chairman, Board of Directors
Wells Springs Unified Union School District



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February 2026

Dear GRCSU Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

Thank you for your continued support of the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union (GRCSU) and the schools that serve our communities. We are proud to work alongside families, staff, and community partners in support of our shared commitment to students.

GRCSU serves four school districts—the Ira School District, Quarry Valley Unified Union School District, Rutland Town School District, and Wells Springs Unified Union School District—across eight schools: Middletown Springs Elementary School, Poultney Elementary School, Poultney High School, Proctor Elementary School, Proctor Jr./Sr. High School, Rutland Town School, Wells Village School, and West Rutland School. Together, we educate approximately 1,600 students in grades PreK–12. Our GRCSU mission is to engage and empower students to achieve academic and personal success, preparing them to be responsible citizens who embrace a love for learning.

The GRCSU Central Office plays an essential role in supporting our schools and ensuring they operate effectively. This work includes oversight of curriculum and instruction, professional learning, staff evaluation, human resources, policies and procedures, grants, and all financial operations across the supervisory union.

Our GRCSU Central Office team brings deep expertise and dedication to this work. GRCSU Assistant Superintendent Lisa Mattison leads efforts related to curriculum, instruction, assessment, professional development, academic grants, and teacher mentoring. Louis Milazzo, GRCSU Business Manager, oversees purchasing, contracted services, payroll, budgeting, grant management, and audits, ensuring strong fiscal stewardship. Tammy Rescott serves as the GRCSU's Director of Student Support Services, including Special Education, and works with a team of administrators, educators, and specialists to support students' diverse needs. Greg Connors leads our IT Department, maintaining reliable and effective technology systems across all schools. Together, this team provides guidance and support that strengthens teaching, learning, and operations throughout GRCSU.

Over the past year, school leaders and staff have continued engaging with the GRCSU Portrait of a Graduate, shaping learning experiences that help students build five essential competencies: Responsibility, Adaptability, Critical Thinking, Empathy, and Communication. This work has led to shared statements that guide our collective efforts:

- Vision for Student Experience - Each and every GRCSU student feels accepted and valued.
- Vision for Student Learning - All GRCSU students will develop into responsible and resilient learners who experience success through authentic and purposeful learning.

In addition, building leaders and staff members have identified instructional practices and schoolwide strategies that support student growth, and each school is developing plans to expand and strengthen these approaches within its buildings and programs.

The 2025–2026 school year marks the third year of implementation of our 2023–2028 Strategic Plan. This five-year plan serves as our guiding “north star,” helping us focus priorities, allocate resources thoughtfully, and monitor progress. It centers on three key areas:

- Academic Success
- Improved School Climate and Culture

- Community Engagement and Communication

These priorities reflect our commitment to equitable, high-quality education that supports students academically, socially, and emotionally. The GRCSU administrative team continues to advance action steps aligned with the plan and regularly shares progress and accomplishments.

This past year, GRCSU has placed a strong emphasis on improving student achievement and growth, particularly in literacy and mathematics. Curriculum documents have been updated, instructional resources refined, and professional learning aligned to support consistent, high-quality instruction. Schools have continued implementing new math and literacy programs, expanded the use of common assessments, and deepened analysis of student data to guide instruction and intervention. Educational Support Team processes have been strengthened, and curriculum alignment across grade levels has continued. At the same time, planning has moved forward to expand enrichment opportunities, service learning, post-secondary pathways, and specialized programming that better meet the needs of all learners, while remaining mindful of fiscal and structural realities.

Equally important has been our focus on school climate, culture, and engagement. GRCSU has prioritized recruiting, retaining, and developing highly effective staff by strengthening hiring practices, clarifying shared values, expanding mentorship and leadership opportunities, and aligning professional learning with district goals. Plans are underway to gather meaningful feedback from students and staff through climate and culture surveys to guide continuous improvement. Clear and consistent communication with families and the community remains a priority, informed by survey feedback and structured outreach. GRCSU has also aligned its Strategic Plan with Vermont's updated Education Quality Standards through a crosswalk process, ensuring our improvement efforts remain focused and responsive. The complete Strategic Plan is available on our website at <https://grcsu.org/grcsu-2023-2028-strategic-plan/>.

At GRCSU, we value strong partnerships with families and community members. Every student deserves access to a high-quality education that prepares them for success, whatever path they choose. If you would like to learn more about our work or become more involved, we encourage you to connect with your local school principal or attend a district school board meeting.

We also extend our sincere appreciation to our school board members for their commitment and service. Their leadership, thoughtful decision-making, and dedication to balancing fiscal responsibility with student needs are critical to supporting our schools.

Finally, we encourage you to participate in Town Meeting Day on March 3, 2026. For additional information, please visit www.grcsu.org, call 802-775-4342, or email us at your convenience. Thank you for your continued partnership and support of GRCSU and our students.

Sincerely,

Chris Sell
GRCSU Superintendent

Lisa Mattison
GRCSU Assistant Superintendent





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Dear GRCSU Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

The Department of Student Support Services remains committed to ensuring that all students receive equitable access to education through individualized, high-quality support. From scaffolded accommodations and tailored evaluations to student-focused programming, equitable hiring, and thoughtful budgeting, GRCSU Student Support Services remains committed to aligning its practices with our district's values. We know that all learners (adults and students alike) use accommodations, modifications, additional interventions, or specialized instruction to experience success in school and life, and our goal is to normalize the use of supports to thrive.

The Office of Student Support Services collaborates with building leadership to oversee the following mandated support programs: Special Education, Section 504, and the Educational Support System (see below for a description of these programs). In addition, our office serves as the liaison for numerous local, state, and federal programs that provide services to students, including school counseling professionals, school nurses, the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, School Psychologists, Occupational and Physical Therapists, and Early Education.

Student Support Data

- **Students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs):** currently, 347
- **Students supported through Section 504 Plans:** currently, 104

These students received specialized instruction, related services, accommodations, and progress monitoring in compliance with state and federal regulations. These services were provided across a continuum of needs, with a focus on academic growth, social-emotional development, and inclusive practices.

Specialized Programs

Connections Program – Poultney High School

The Connections Program continues to provide comprehensive support for students with significant needs, including those who are cognitively impaired and have multiple disabilities. The program emphasizes functional academics, life skills, communication, and social development, while promoting independence and meaningful participation within the school and community.

Bridges Program – Wells Village School

The Bridges Program serves students with low academic performance who also present behavioral/social concerns. This program integrates targeted academic interventions with behavioral and social-emotional supports. A structured environment, consistent expectations, and individualized behavior plans help students develop the skills necessary for improved academic engagement and success.

Staff

Paraeducators, teachers, school psychologists, evaluators, speech pathologists, behaviorists, occupational therapists, and physical therapists all play essential roles in the success of our educational initiatives. Recognizing and valuing their contributions is vital, as they are integral to our students' well-being and development. GRCSU is fortunate to have such dedicated professionals servicing our students.

GRCSU Student Support Services continue to play a critical role in meeting the diverse needs of our student population. Through individualized planning, specialized programming, and collaboration with families and staff, the department supports student growth while fostering inclusive learning environments. Ongoing evaluation of programs and services ensures that supports remain responsive, effective, and aligned with student needs.

Submitted Respectfully,

Tammy Rescott

Director of Student Support Services
Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union





Report of the Wells Springs UUSD Principals

January 2026

Middletown Springs Elementary School and the Wells Village School are in their eighth year as the Wells Springs Unified Union School District, as part of the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union. Our focus within the school and community remains on collaboration and forward progress of our school based initiatives in reading, math and social/emotional learning as well as developing a stronger sense of community across the School District.



At Wells Springs, our top priority is supporting students. To better meet individual needs, we continue refining practices within the Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS) A and B, a framework launched in 2022-2023 and emphasized during GRCSU's 2024-2025 professional development. In 2025-2026, MTSS-B was refined and added to address the behavioral/SEL aspect of student needs. These systems focus on improving outcomes in all areas of student growth, academically, behaviorally, and socially.

This year, a core team of teachers and leaders has strengthened their understanding of MTSS-B, which addresses student and classroom needs around student behavior. There is a team that has worked to refine the parameters of the supports to make it more teacher, student and parent friendly utilizing strategies outlined in the draft form of the plan. The final plan should be in place at the end of 2026. At its heart, the Educational Support Team (EST)—including the Principal, School Counselor, Nurse, Interventionist, and Special Educator—collaborates with teachers and parents to address student needs. Weekly two-hour EST meetings focus on individual support plans, with virtual options for parents. The team also regularly meets with teachers to provide actionable recommendations for classroom support.

MTSS ensures targeted programs are in place for high-achieving students, those with social-emotional needs, and those requiring interventions. Using collaboration and data-driven strategies, the framework helps every student thrive.

Over the summer of 2024, Principals and teacher teams from both buildings led efforts to update MTSS-A resources, aligning them with FASTBRIDGE testing and intervention strategies. These materials, now consistent and easily accessible, equip staff and parents with tools to support student success. Both schools are looking to add on to the resources addressing the MTSS-B plan.

WVS is in the second year of our math fact fluency program. The students have demonstrated growth, success and carryover into their everyday academics. There is a pride in students and they are challenging themselves to move on in levels. There is a leadership team that meets weekly to determine student growth and advancement. They create certificates and students are presented and celebrated at whole school meetings on Monday. Teachers have continued doing professional development through a book study and free workshop opportunities.

All K through 2 classrooms are immersed in UFLI instruction. Both schools are in year 3 of the process so all K-2 students are being instructed with this program. This program supports literacy and learning in the classroom. Teachers continue to work together through professional development opportunities, PLCs and peer observations to fully understand, effectively implement, and share ideas about how to best utilize the program in conjunction with Heggarty.

Community engagement remains a major goal for families in our schools. Each school has developed activities throughout the school year that allow both students and community members to participate in our schools. Middletown has hosted their annual back to school breakfast, a Veteran's Day luncheon, and several Bingo nights hosted by FFE to name a few. WVS has Walk to School events, Donuts with Grown-ups, as well as other events that bring all members of the community together. Over that past year, the schools got together for a One Book One School month long book study that involved all members of the community. The Book, *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*, by Grace Lin, was given to all students and staff. There was a daily trivia question/competition. There was a schedule for reading and a jeopardy challenge as a final activity for both schools. WVS traveled to MSES for the morning to enjoy the competition and some book related snacks. It was truly a wonderful experience for all. The goal is to provide social opportunities for our communities in an informal, fun atmosphere.



Each school has an Athletic Director who coordinates teams, games and events for students to compete against other local schools.

WVS offered both soccer and basketball this past year. The teams were divided into two levels: K-3 and 4-6 grades. The younger groups were able to develop skills while the older groups played games against

other local schools. WVS has the JISP program available for individual families who choose to participate. There are financial scholarships that help support financial needs.

WVS and MSES no longer have the option of an After School Program, but we are able to offer special club opportunities to our families. We have had clubs for yo-yo, crafts, math, and robotics to name a few. This is due to the volunteers in the community who are willing to support us in the schools. We continue to work on SEL lessons and provide positive support to our students through our monthly Character Trait awards and our system of Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS). This supports students in building team work and a positive, respectful school culture.

WVS is fortunate to have the support of our PTO. This past year, the PTO along with the Modern Woodman Association raised enough funds to upgrade the basketball hoops in our multipurpose room. PTO sponsors many fundraising events, such as a Fall 5K and a Pie Booth at the MWA Carnival, that provide extras to our students and community. There are 2 Scholastic Book Fairs each year. The success of the fairs, run by volunteers, puts books and supplies in the hands of our teachers that are outside of the budget. Our students love the opportunity to shop. This year the focus of our PTO is to support field trips for our students.

MSES works directly with Friends For Education (FFE). There are monthly meetings where parents and the principal meet with each other to discuss community and school needs and funding opportunities. They graciously provide funds for field trips, winter sports, and Artist in Residency. FFE works all year long on fundraising with bake sales, Bingo, seed fundraisers, and are continuously in search of ways to raise money for the school.

Middletown Springs Elementary School offers students a variety of enriching activities throughout the year. In the fall, we hosted a skills-based soccer team for grades K-2 and a competitive soccer team for grades 3-6, which participated in games against neighboring schools. During the winter, students in grades K-3 can join our skills-based basketball team, while those in grades 4-6 have the opportunity to play on our competitive basketball team. Additionally, all students in grades K-6 are welcome to join our popular rock climbing team. The team achieved great success last year, bringing home the 2nd place trophy for the Vermont Elementary School State Championships! This trophy is proudly on display in our lobby, serving as a reminder of their hard work and dedication.



We also continue to provide our Winter Sports Program, offering students a choice of skiing, snowboarding, or snowshoeing. In order to build community, we all go to the mountain together, and will go ice skating one day in March. This is all made possible through our student activities fund, generous family donations, and the support of the Friends for Education (FFE). These programs ensure that all students have access to active and engaging experiences year-round.

Enrichment opportunities at MSES extend far beyond athletics. We are thrilled to continue our partnership with the Vermont Institute of Natural Science (VINS). Through this collaboration, VINS provides a series of educational workshops for every class, from PreK to 6th grade, aligning with grade-level standards and enriching our students' learning experiences. MSES also partnered with a local musician, Brendan Taaffe, as part of our Artist-in-Residence program. Students learned dances and listened to different types of music and instruments. The residency concluded with a whole school dance that parents joined. There was a live band and students demonstrated the dances they learned together. This hands-on experience allowed students to develop their creativity, learn a new art form, and contribute to a lasting legacy for our school.

Students at both schools continue to learn about foods through the Harvest of the Month program and a Farm to School Grant which has a goal of the inclusion of more local foods in our daily diet. There are monthly lessons where students learn about and taste a variety of locally grown produce. Students love to see what is presented each month. As far as other programming, we are both hoping to offer both Girls on the Run and the Velocity Program to the older students this Spring. Both programs provide opportunities for students to be supportive of each other and learn collaborative skills through outdoor activity.

The physical structures of both schools are assets that require ongoing upkeep for the benefit of both communities. It has been important for the continuing building projects that we have a Facilities Manager for both schools. The facilities manager has collaborated closely with the principals on the needs of the building which has allowed the principals to focus on the needs of students, families and staff. Middletown Springs Elementary has had ongoing work done to both the heating system and water system, ensuring that both of these systems are working properly throughout the building. Wells Village School needed to have new drainage support done on the driveway side of the building to provide an effective avenue for the water to flow away from the building and not pool and come into the downstairs classroom. This work was completed and there has not been an issue since. The boilers and heating systems needed to be fixed and some parts replaced, this was completed in the Fall of 2025. Continued progress is being made on the HVAC system and controls that meet the needs of students and staff with more energy efficiency.

WVS completed the installation of a 7 piece playground equipment project that began in the summer of 2024 during the fall of 2025. The new additions are happily being accessed by both the school community and the community at large. The additional pieces of equipment have enhanced student play experience and students have thoroughly enjoyed the expansion of the facility. MSES developed different solutions to our drainage problems, and have added gutters in addition to excavation work. This summer, MSES will be fixing the front foundation and the front of the building will be completely painted and restored.



We are excited to collaborate in making the Wells Springs School District a success. By supporting one another through a team-centered approach, we create a more unified vision and cohesive experience for our schools. We take great pride in being part of the Wells Springs learning communities and look forward to engaging in meaningful conversations with parents and community members throughout the year. If you have any questions about the budget, please feel free to reach out to us.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Wincowski, Principal, Wells Village School

Jessica Billingsby, Principal, Middletown Springs Elementary School

Wells Springs Unified Union School District						
Middletown Springs Elementary School - 2025-2026 Staff List						
Last Name	First Name	Position	Years of Experience	Years in District	Total FTE	Annual Salary
Billingsby	Jessica	Administrator	0	0	1.00	\$ 96,000
Carlson	John	Teacher	5	5	1.00	\$ 55,994
Kainen	Steve	Teacher	30	21	1.00	\$ 81,567
Makepeace	Brooke	Teacher	1	1	1.00	\$ 44,090
Myette	Lisa	Food Service	29	12	1.00	\$ 41,943
Newton	Jamie	Teacher	23	8	0.40	\$ 31,039
Polizzi	Angela	Admin Asst	0	0	1.00	\$ 35,200
Regan	Megan	Teacher	3	1	1.00	\$ 47,617
Severance	Kristina	Preschool Teacher	21	8	1.00	\$ 70,103
Swayne	Patricia	Counselor	5	3	1.00	\$ 58,199
Tarbell	Bridget	Pre-K Para	8	8	1.00	\$ 26,194
Williams	Amanda	Teacher	11	10	1.00	\$ 65,694
Willis	James	Custodian	22	2	1.00	\$ 49,736
Wells Village School - 2025-2026 Staff List						
Last Name	First Name	Position	Years of Experience	Years in District	Total FTE	Annual Salary
Bush	Sierra	Teacher	6	6	1.00	\$ 62,167
Carangio	Rayleen	Teacher	6	6	1.00	\$ 59,962
Cassidy	Cindy	Teacher	22	22	1.00	\$ 71,867
Crowningshield	Amanda	Teacher	14	3	1.00	\$ 58,640
Dunlap	Alison	Food Service	16	1	1.00	\$ 34,504
Hayes	Angela	Preschool Teacher	19	6	1.00	\$ 70,544
Kostka-Hickey	Mia	Home School Coordinator	0	0	1.00	\$ 55,024
Lawrence	Ryan	Teacher	1	1	1.00	\$ 52,908
L'Esperance	Nicole	Pre-K Para	19	5	1.00	\$ 30,095
Martelle	Lauren	Admin Asst	0	1	1.00	\$ 37,775
Wade	Lisa	Custodian	14	14	1.00	\$ 45,560
Winkowski	Carol	Administrator	6	3	1.00	\$ 103,197
Winpenny	Debra	Teacher	18	2	1.00	\$ 66,576
Wells Springs Shared Positions - 2025-2026 Staff List						
Last Name	First Name	Position	Years of Experience	Years in District	Total FTE	Annual Salary
Cutler	Carol	Teacher	36	2	0.80	\$ 67,722
Sturtevant	Ernest	Facility Director	20	1	1.00	\$ 57,200
Tarbell	Brianne	Nurse	0	0	1.00	\$ 41,850
Ward	Mary	Library Para	2	2	1.00	\$ 23,572
Whitman	Lisa	Teacher	6	1	0.40	\$ 23,280

* Annual Salary is an estimate based on full year employment

* Salaries listed are a snapshot on 1/5/26 and do not include any changes, additions, deletions or updates that have occurred after that date.

Wells Springs Unified Union School District

FY26 Student to Staff Ratios												
Grade	FY26 Wells Village School			FY26 Middletown Springs School			FY26 Wells Springs Combined					
	<u>Students</u>	<u>Budgeted Teachers</u>	<u>Teacher Student Ratio</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Budgeted Teachers</u>	<u>Teacher Student Ratio</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Budgeted Teachers</u>	<u>Teacher Student Ratio</u>			
PreK	13	1	13	7	1	7	20	2	10.0			
	10	1	10									
	8	1	8									
	8	1	8									
	11	1	11	8	1	8	19	2	9.5			
	14	1	14									
	4	1	19									
	15											
Total		83	7	11.86	54			137	13	10.54		
**Other Instructional Staff:		5.6			5			10.6				
Total School Staff:		12.6			11			23.6				
Total Instructional Staff to Student Ratio		6.59			4.91			5.81				

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**includes specials, guidance, psychological, interventions, etc. Does not include custodians, office staff, administration, food service or special ed.

Wells Springs Unified Union School District
2025-2026 Enrollment

Elementary Enrollment			
Grade	Wells Village School	Middletown Springs Elementary School	Total
Pre-K	13	7	20
K	10	3	13
1	8	6	14
2	8	7	15
3	11	8	19
4	14	12	26
5	4	6	10
6	15	5	20
Total	83	54	137

Secondary Enrollment							
Grade	Granville High School	Poultney High School	Mill River High School	Long Trail School	Burr & Burton	Other Secondary Schools	Total
7	2	8	3	2	0	1	16
8	2	1	3	7	0	2	15
9	6	5	5	3	3	4	26
10	1	2	2	3	0	7	15
11	3	9	1	3	1	0	17
12	5	13		4	2	3	27
Total	19	38	14	22	6	17	116

Total Enrollment	253
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Wells Springs Unified Union School District
FY27 Budget Tax Rates- Estimated

	FY26		FY27	
Expense	\$ 6,390,447		\$ 6,475,972	1.34%
Education Spending	\$ 6,123,018		\$ 6,284,034	2.63%
Equalized Pupils/LTW ADM	477.66		498.08	
Education Spending Per LTW ADM	\$ 12,819		\$ 12,617	-1.58%

	FY26		FY27	
Ed spend/ eqpup	\$ 12,819		\$ 12,617	
Property yield	\$ 8,596		\$ 8,849	
Unified tax rate before any incentives	\$ 1.49		\$ 1.426	

	Middletown		Wells	
FY27 Equalized Tax Rate	\$ 1.426		\$ 1.426	
CLA	88.34%		116.01%	
Tax Rate post CLA	\$ 1.6139		\$ 1.2290	
PY Tax Rate post CLA	\$ 1.5421		\$ 1.1279	
Tax Rate Change	\$ 0.0718		\$ 0.1011	
% Change	4.66%		8.96%	
Prior Year CLA	96.70%		132.21%	

				U069			
				Rutland County	8,849	<--See bottom note	1.00
					12,154		
Expenditures				FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
1.	Adopted or warned union district budget (including special programs and full technical center expenditures)			\$5,782,862	\$6,043,373	\$6,390,447	\$6,475,972
2.	Sum of separately warned articles passed at union district meeting			-	-	-	-
3.	Adopted or warned union district budget plus articles			\$5,782,862	\$6,043,373	\$6,390,447	\$6,475,972
4.	Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any			-	-	-	-
5.	Prior year deficit repayment of deficit			-	-	-	-
6.	Total Union Expenditures			\$5,782,862	\$6,043,373	\$6,390,447	\$6,475,972
7.	S.U. assessment (included in union budget) - informational data			-	-	-	-
8.	Prior year deficit reduction (if included in union expenditure budget) - informational data			-	-	-	-
Revenues							
9.	Union revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, federal, etc.)			\$283,678	\$100,954	\$267,429	\$191,938
10.	Total offsetting union revenues			\$283,678	\$100,954	\$267,429	\$191,938
11.	Education Spending			\$5,499,184	\$5,942,419	\$6,123,018	\$6,284,034
12.	Wells Spring USD pupils			266.20	490.91	477.66	498.08
13.	Education Spending per Pupil			\$20,658.09	\$12,104.91	\$12,818.78	\$12,616.52
14.	Less net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per pupil			na	na	-	-
15.	Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$66,446 for an individual (per pupil)			-	-	-	na
16.	Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed (per pupil)			Excess spending penalty suspended for FY24 & FY25 - Sec. 8 of Act 127, 2022.			
17.	Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per pupil)						
18.	Estimated costs of new students after census period (per pupil)						
19.	Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per pupil)						
20.	Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per pupil)						
21.	Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per pupil)						
22.	Costs incurred when sampling drinking water outlets, implementing lead remediation, or retesting.						
23.	Excess spending threshold						
24.	Excess Spending per Pupil over threshold (if any)						
25.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate			\$20,658	\$12,105	\$12,819	\$12,616.52
26.	Union spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)			133.770%	122.358%	149.125%	142.576%
27.	Anticipated equalized union homestead tax rate to be prorated [\$12,616.52 ÷ (\$8,849 / \$1.00)]			\$1,3377	\$1,2236	\$1,4913	\$1,4258
28.	Tax rate "cent discount" (FY25-FY29) adjusted by statewide adjuster of 70.33%						
29.	Cent discount adjusted anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate						
Prorated homestead union tax rates for members of Wells Spring USD							
T125	Middletown Springs			FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
T228	Wells			1.3377	1.2236	1.4913	1.4258
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				-	-	-	-
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				-	-	-	-
30.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated from Wells Spring USD [(\$12,616.52 ÷ \$12,154) x 2.00%]			2.36%	2.39%	2.11%	2.08%
Prorated union income cap percentage for members of Wells Spring USD							
T125	Middletown Springs			FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
T228	Wells			2.36%	2.39%	2.11%	2.08%
				2.36%	2.39%	2.11%	2.08%
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- Using the revised December 1, 2025 Education Fund Outlook FY27 forecast, the FY27 education fund need results in a property yield of \$8,849 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value, an income yield of \$12,154 for a base income percent of 2.0%, and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.785. New and updated data will likely change the proposed property and income yields and perhaps the non-residential rate.

- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.

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1001-30151-110-1 Local Revenue				
1001-30151-110-1302-00000 VT LEA Tuition	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
1001-30151-110-1510-00000 Interest Income	\$ 11,814.14	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-1980-00000 PY Refunds	\$ 6,195.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1001-30151-110-1980-00100 PY Assessment Refund	\$ -	\$ 67,250.63	\$ 25,657.59	\$ (41,593.04)
1001-30151-110-1990-00000 Misc. Revenue	\$ 3,491.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1001-30151-110-5400-00000 Prior Year Fund Balance	\$ 64,953.96	\$ 158,178.00	\$ 121,280.25	\$ (36,897.75)
	\$ 119,454.70	\$ 267,428.63	\$ 191,937.84	\$ (75,490.79)
1001-30151-110-3 State Revenue				
1001-30151-110-3110-00000 General State Support Gr	\$ 5,896,959.00	\$ 6,082,613.98	\$ 6,236,048.46	\$ 153,434.48
1001-30151-110-3114-00000 From State to Tech Center	\$ 45,460.00	\$ 40,404.00	\$ 47,986.00	\$ 7,582.00
	\$ 5,942,419.00	\$ 6,123,017.98	\$ 6,284,034.46	\$ 161,016.48
Total Revenue	\$ 6,061,873.70	\$ 6,390,446.61	\$ 6,475,972.30	\$ 85,525.69
1001-101 Middletown Springs				
1001-10101 Middletown Springs PreK				
1001-10101-110-1101-11100 Preschool Wages	\$ 70,103.02	\$ 70,103.00	\$ 70,103.00	\$ -
1001-10101-110-1101-12100 Preschool IA Wages	\$ 29,138.59	\$ 25,065.60	\$ 29,760.37	\$ 4,694.77
1001-10101-110-1101-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 29,238.24	\$ 32,717.59	\$ 35,116.66	\$ 2,399.07
1001-10101-110-1101-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 7,124.73	\$ 7,280.39	\$ 7,614.58	\$ 334.19
1001-10101-110-1101-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ 1,668.63	\$ 1,378.61	\$ 1,711.22	\$ 332.61
1001-10101-110-1101-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 213.22	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-10101-110-1101-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 475.08	\$ 475.08	\$ 513.00	\$ 37.92
1001-10101-110-1101-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
1001-10101-110-1101-56200 Preschool Tuition	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
1001-10101-110-1101-61100 Supplies	\$ 1,295.50	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-10101-110-1101-64100 Books & Periodicals	\$ 86.91	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
1001-10101-110-1101-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
	\$ 140,593.92	\$ 148,970.27	\$ 156,768.83	\$ 7,798.56
1001-10111-110-1101 Middletown Direct Instruction				
1001-10111-110-1101-11100 Teacher Wages	\$ 326,201.78	\$ 326,001.00	\$ 326,001.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-12100 IA Wages	\$ 2,474.37	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-19300 Summer School	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 69,031.78	\$ 77,246.56	\$ 82,910.73	\$ 5,664.17
1001-10111-110-1101-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 23,914.84	\$ 24,939.08	\$ 24,857.58	\$ (81.50)
1001-10111-110-1101-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 3,786.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 1,900.32	\$ 1,900.32	\$ 2,052.00	\$ 151.68
1001-10111-110-1101-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-32200 Professional Services	\$ 5,363.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-43200 Repair/Maint Services	\$ 5,088.84	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-52100 Student Insurance	\$ -	\$ 625.00	\$ -	\$ (625.00)
1001-10111-110-1101-58100 Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 457.50	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-59101 SU Billback - Reg	\$ 4,509.45	\$ 65,167.00	\$ 49,095.00	\$ (16,072.00)
1001-10111-110-1101-61100 Supplies	\$ 7,354.33	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 9,500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-61101 PBIS Supplies	\$ 436.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-64100 Books & Periodicals	\$ 1,341.07	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-1101-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 129.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 455,988.28	\$ 542,378.96	\$ 531,416.30	\$ (10,962.66)
1001-10111-110-2230 Middletown Technology				

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1001-10111-110-2230-43200 Repairs/Maint/Tech	\$ 383.08	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2230-53100 Communications	\$ 3,273.98	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ (4,500.00)
1001-10111-110-2230-59100 SU Purchased Services	\$ 7,506.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2230-61100 Supplies	\$ 1,334.19	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2230-65100 Supplies - Computer	\$ 598.62	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2230-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 135.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
	\$ 13,231.13	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ (4,500.00)
1001-10111-110-2410 Middletown Principals Office				
1001-10111-110-2410-14100 Principals Office Wages	\$ 144,363.79	\$ 135,348.00	\$ 131,200.00	\$ (4,148.00)
1001-10111-110-2410-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 45,178.30	\$ 42,805.89	\$ 24,360.68	\$ (18,445.21)
1001-10111-110-2410-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 10,271.66	\$ 10,354.12	\$ 10,004.00	\$ (350.12)
1001-10111-110-2410-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ 4,812.82	\$ 4,316.96	\$ 3,944.00	\$ (372.96)
1001-10111-110-2410-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 1,549.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2410-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 950.16	\$ 950.16	\$ 1,026.00	\$ 75.84
1001-10111-110-2410-53100 Communications	\$ 1,758.82	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2410-55100 Printing/Binding	\$ 220.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2410-58100 Travel	\$ 143.92	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2410-61100 Supplies	\$ 562.72	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-10111-110-2410-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 490.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
	\$ 210,301.19	\$ 200,025.13	\$ 176,784.68	\$ (23,240.45)
1001-10111-110-27 Middletown Transportation				
1001-10111-110-2715-51900 Field Trip Transportation	\$ 2,654.72	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
	\$ 2,654.72	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
1001-10111-920 Middletown Co-Curricular				
1001-10111-920-1401-17100 Co-Curricular Wages	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 200.00
1001-10111-920-1401-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 91.82	\$ 76.50	\$ 91.80	\$ 15.30
1001-10111-920-1401-32100 Professional Services	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
1001-10111-920-1401-61100 Supplies	\$ 110.88	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
	\$ 1,402.70	\$ 1,376.50	\$ 1,591.80	\$ 215.30
Total Middletown Springs	\$ 824,171.94	\$ 918,250.86	\$ 887,561.61	\$ (30,689.25)
1001-107 Wells Village School				
1001-10701 Wells Prek				
1001-10701-110-1101-11100 Preschool Wages	\$ 70,544.00	\$ 70,544.00	\$ 70,544.00	\$ -
1001-10701-110-1101-12100 Preschool IA Wages	\$ 32,135.22	\$ 28,425.60	\$ 34,193.07	\$ 5,767.47
1001-10701-110-1101-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 34,515.89	\$ 32,717.59	\$ 47,794.06	\$ 15,076.47
1001-10701-110-1101-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 7,188.85	\$ 7,571.17	\$ 7,986.20	\$ 415.03
1001-10701-110-1101-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ 1,947.31	\$ 1,563.41	\$ 1,966.10	\$ 402.69
1001-10701-110-1101-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-10701-110-1101-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 950.16	\$ 950.16	\$ 1,026.00	\$ 75.84
1001-10701-110-1101-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ 600.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ (1,200.00)
1001-10701-110-1101-56200 Tuition	\$ 7,768.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
1001-10701-110-1101-61100 Supplies	\$ 1,665.45	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-10701-110-1101-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 39.22	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
	\$ 157,354.10	\$ 154,221.93	\$ 174,759.43	\$ 20,537.50
1001-10711-110-1101 Wells Direct Instruction				
1001-10711-110-1101-11100 Teacher Wages	\$ 440,926.60	\$ 436,491.00	\$ 446,632.00	\$ 10,141.00
1001-10711-110-1101-19300 Summer School	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -

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1001-10711-110-1101-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 108,825.32	\$ 121,775.53	\$ 108,265.53	\$ (13,510.00)
1001-10711-110-1101-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 31,634.48	\$ 33,391.56	\$ 34,055.69	\$ 664.13
1001-10711-110-1101-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 12,474.30	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-1101-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 2,375.40	\$ 2,375.40	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 189.60
1001-10711-110-1101-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
1001-10711-110-1101-32200 Professional Services	\$ 1,088.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-1101-58100 Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 204.04	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-1101-59101 SU Purchase - SU Contract	\$ 79,199.20	\$ 88,486.00	\$ 97,634.00	\$ 9,148.00
1001-10711-110-1101-61100 Supplies	\$ 11,483.79	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-1101-61101 PBIS Supplies	\$ 341.67	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-1101-64100 Books & Periodicals	\$ 1,103.81	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 2,250.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-1101-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 484.99	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ -
	\$ 692,141.60	\$ 721,019.49	\$ 729,652.22	\$ 8,632.73
1001-10711-110-2230 Wells Technology				
1001-10711-110-2230-43200 Repairs/Maint/Tech	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2230-53100 Communications	\$ 5,123.91	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ (3,500.00)
1001-10711-110-2230-59100 SU Purchased Services	\$ 10,576.08	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2230-61100 Supplies	\$ 7,559.09	\$ 11,450.00	\$ 11,450.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2230-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
	\$ 23,259.08	\$ 22,950.00	\$ 19,450.00	\$ (3,500.00)
1001-10711-110-2410 Wells Principals Office				
1001-10711-110-2410-14100 Principals Office Wages	\$ 128,254.50	\$ 128,315.00	\$ 140,972.20	\$ 12,657.20
1001-10711-110-2410-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 3,630.70	\$ 11,811.38	\$ 12,677.40	\$ 866.02
1001-10711-110-2410-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 9,754.80	\$ 9,816.10	\$ 10,749.13	\$ 933.03
1001-10711-110-2410-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ 3,914.49	\$ 20,851.30	\$ 4,236.01	\$ (16,615.29)
1001-10711-110-2410-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 2,138.59	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 456.00	\$ 475.08	\$ 513.00	\$ 37.92
1001-10711-110-2410-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-43100 Equip Repair/Maint	\$ 7,457.83	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-53100 Communications	\$ 480.22	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-55100 Printing/Binding	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-58100 Travel	\$ 69.86	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-61100 Supplies	\$ 1,079.60	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-64100 Books & Periodicals	\$ 57.08	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1001-10711-110-2410-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 1,248.22	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 160,041.89	\$ 183,018.86	\$ 180,897.74	\$ (2,121.12)
1001-10711-110-27 Wells Transportation				
1001-10711-110-2715-51900 Field Trip Transportation	\$ 2,520.26	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
	\$ 2,520.26	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
1001-10711-920-1401 Wells Co-Curricular				
1001-10711-920-1401-17100 Co-Curricular Wages	\$ 950.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-10711-920-1401-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 72.69	\$ 76.50	\$ 76.50	\$ -
	\$ 1,022.69	\$ 1,076.50	\$ 1,076.50	\$ -
Total Wells	\$ 1,036,339.62	\$ 1,085,786.78	\$ 1,109,335.90	\$ 23,549.12
1001-301 Wells Springs UUSD				
1001-30111-110-1101 Wells Springs Instruction				
1001-30111-110-1101-11100 Teacher Wages	\$ 92,014.18	\$ 222,120.00	\$ 261,930.00	\$ 39,810.00

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1001-30111-110-1101-19200 Mentoring	\$ 1,913.72	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-1101-21100 Health Insurance	\$ 7,929.36	\$ 34,181.94	\$ 9,523.54	\$ (24,658.40)
1001-30111-110-1101-21900 HRA Expense	\$ 70,800.00	\$ 64,400.00	\$ 45,200.00	\$ (19,200.00)
1001-30111-110-1101-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 7,252.70	\$ 6,894.18	\$ 7,695.91	\$ 801.73
1001-30111-110-1101-23200 OPEB Retirement	\$ 22,204.77	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
1001-30111-110-1101-28100 Dental Insurance	\$ 570.14	\$ 570.04	\$ 615.60	\$ 45.56
1001-30111-110-1101-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-1101-59101 SU Purch - Subs	\$ 33,233.78	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-1101-81100 Student Activity Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
	\$ 237,518.65	\$ 396,766.16	\$ 408,565.06	\$ 11,798.90
1001-30111-110-2131 Health Services				
1001-30111-110-2131-17100 Nurse Wages	\$ 56,170.68	\$ 52,908.00	\$ 35,775.00	\$ (17,133.00)
1001-30111-110-2131-21100 Group health insurance	\$ 19,823.33	\$ 22,181.94	\$ -	\$ (22,181.94)
1001-30111-110-2131-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 3,888.86	\$ 4,047.46	\$ 2,727.84	\$ (1,319.62)
1001-30111-110-2131-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,057.06	\$ 2,057.06
1001-30111-110-2131-25100 Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 295.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-2131-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 475.08	\$ 475.08	\$ -	\$ (475.08)
1001-30111-110-2131-29500 Insurance Buyback	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
1001-30111-110-2131-43200 Repairs & Maintenance	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-2131-58100 Travel	\$ -	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-2131-61100 Supplies	\$ 1,439.57	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
	\$ 82,092.52	\$ 82,512.48	\$ 44,959.91	\$ (37,552.57)
1001-30111-110-2140 Counselor Services				
1001-30111-110-2140-17100 Counselor Wages	\$ 86,510.28	\$ 116,398.00	\$ 113,223.00	\$ (3,175.00)
1001-30111-110-2140-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 18,815.02	\$ 23,622.76	\$ 36,486.26	\$ 12,863.50
1001-30111-110-2140-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 6,246.05	\$ 8,904.45	\$ 8,633.25	\$ (271.20)
1001-30111-110-2140-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ 1,550.50	\$ -	\$ 3,163.88	\$ 3,163.88
1001-30111-110-2140-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 673.03	\$ 950.16	\$ 1,026.00	\$ 75.84
1001-30111-110-2140-61100 Supplies	\$ 228.08	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
	\$ 114,022.96	\$ 150,275.37	\$ 162,932.39	\$ 12,657.02
1001-30111-110-2220 Wells Springs Library				
1001-30111-110-2220-17100 Library Wages	\$ 25,965.92	\$ 23,313.60	\$ 26,781.48	\$ 3,467.88
1001-30111-110-2220-21100 Health Insurance	\$ 10,555.12	\$ 11,811.38	\$ 12,677.40	\$ 866.02
1001-30111-110-2220-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 1,784.51	\$ 1,783.49	\$ 2,042.09	\$ 258.60
1001-30111-110-2220-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ 2,965.30	\$ 1,282.25	\$ 1,539.94	\$ 257.69
1001-30111-110-2220-28100 Dental Insurance	\$ 475.08	\$ 475.08	\$ 513.00	\$ 37.92
1001-30111-110-2220-61100 Supplies	\$ 2,494.14	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-2220-64100 Books	\$ 1,622.61	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-2220-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
	\$ 45,862.68	\$ 43,915.80	\$ 48,803.90	\$ 4,888.10
1001-30111-110-2230 Wells Springs Technology				
1001-30111-110-2230-59100 Purchased Services	\$ -	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-2660 Wells Springs Safety				
1001-30111-110-2660-34900 Professional Services	\$ 1,155.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-30111-110-2660-61100 Supplies	\$ 160.84	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	\$ 1,315.84	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,000.00

Wells Springs Unified Union School District
FY27 Budget - Board Approved 1/14/26

Account	FY25 Actual	FY26 Budget	FY27 Budget	Variance
1001-30131-110 Secondary Tuition				
1001-30131-110-1101-56100 In State Tuition	\$ 1,139,403.42	\$ 1,102,694.50	\$ 1,114,710.00	\$ 12,015.50
1001-30131-110-1101-56200 Private School Tuition	\$ 806,192.79	\$ 728,872.29	\$ 575,950.25	\$ (152,922.04)
1001-30131-110-1101-56300 Tuition Out VT	\$ 174,821.00	\$ 242,462.00	\$ 318,146.40	\$ 75,684.40
	\$ 2,120,417.21	\$ 2,074,028.79	\$ 2,008,806.65	\$ (65,222.14)
1001-30131-310 Vocational Tuition				
1001-30131-310-1301-56600 Vocational On Behalf Pay	\$ 45,460.00	\$ 40,404.00	\$ 47,986.00	\$ 7,582.00
1001-30131-310-1301-56700 Vocational Tuition	\$ 39,764.00	\$ 41,202.00	\$ 49,196.00	\$ 7,994.00
	\$ 85,224.00	\$ 81,606.00	\$ 97,182.00	\$ 15,576.00
1001-30151-110-23 Board of Education				
1001-30151-110-2311-16100 Recording Clerk	\$ 1,919.61	\$ 1,813.80	\$ 1,886.40	\$ 72.60
1001-30151-110-2311-19100 Board Member	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 4,700.00
1001-30151-110-2311-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 735.91	\$ 697.21	\$ 1,058.84	\$ 361.63
1001-30151-110-2311-26100 Unemployment	\$ 2,035.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
1001-30151-110-2311-27100 Workman's Comp	\$ 15,781.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 500.00
1001-30151-110-2311-31100 Professional Services	\$ 1,282.60	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2311-34900 Prof Services -Elections	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
1001-30151-110-2311-54100 Advertising	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,150.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2311-58100 Travel	\$ 507.20	\$ 250.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 250.00
1001-30151-110-2311-59100 SU Purchased Services	\$ 11,296.79	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2311-61100 Supplies	\$ 3,626.61	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2311-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 350.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2315-34900 Legal Services	\$ 4,536.50	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 49,921.22	\$ 54,761.01	\$ 63,545.24	\$ 8,784.23
1001-30151-110-2510 Fiscal Services				
1001-30151-110-2510-16100 Treasurer	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2510-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 114.75	\$ 114.75	\$ 114.38	\$ (0.38)
1001-30151-110-2510-22100 Child Care Tax	\$ 6,940.16	\$ 7,569.88	\$ 7,862.32	\$ 292.44
1001-30151-110-2510-29200 Life insurance	\$ (327.23)	\$ 2,644.10	\$ 2,745.48	\$ 101.38
1001-30151-110-2510-29400 LTD	\$ 4,786.51	\$ 5,654.52	\$ 5,807.65	\$ 153.13
1001-30151-110-2510-34900 Professional Services	\$ 1,952.45	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2510-61100 Supplies	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2510-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 702.77	\$ 500.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 250.00
1001-30151-110-2510-83500 Interest	\$ 11,079.35	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 26,748.76	\$ 30,983.25	\$ 31,779.82	\$ 796.57
1001-30151-110-2590 SU Assessment				
1001-30151-110-2590-59300 SU Assessment	\$ 259,424.00	\$ 252,648.00	\$ 264,382.00	\$ 11,734.00
	\$ 259,424.00	\$ 252,648.00	\$ 264,382.00	\$ 11,734.00
1001-30151-110-2610 WSUUSD Plant Operations				
1001-30151-110-2610-18100 Custodial Wages	\$ 129,152.29	\$ 135,784.72	\$ 157,737.62	\$ 21,952.90
1001-30151-110-2610-21100 Group Health Insurance	\$ 28,548.46	\$ 44,885.04	\$ 24,360.68	\$ (20,524.36)
1001-30151-110-2610-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 9,274.40	\$ 10,387.53	\$ 12,027.49	\$ 1,639.96
1001-30151-110-2610-23100 Municipal Retirement	\$ 6,842.77	\$ 7,468.16	\$ 9,069.91	\$ 1,601.75
1001-30151-110-2610-28100 Dental/Eye Care	\$ 1,148.11	\$ 1,425.16	\$ 1,539.00	\$ 113.84
1001-30151-110-2610-34900 Professional Services	\$ 8,147.12	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
1001-30151-110-2610-41100 Water Quality	\$ 768.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2610-42200 Snow Removal	\$ 6,846.50	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
1001-30151-110-2610-42400 Lawn Care Service	\$ 3,710.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -

Wells Springs Unified Union School District
FY27 Budget - Board Approved 1/14/26

Account	FY25 Actual	FY26 Budget	FY27 Budget	Variance
1001-30151-110-2610-42500 Refuse Removal	\$ 10,225.59	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
1001-30151-110-2610-43100 Repairs-Wells Springs	\$ 60.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2610-43101 Repairs-Middletown	\$ 37,919.37	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2610-43102 Repairs-Wells	\$ 36,179.69	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2610-43103 - Boiler Replacement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
1001-30151-110-2610-52100 Insurance	\$ 19,435.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
1001-30151-110-2610-58100 Travel	\$ 1,446.81	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2610-59100 SU Purchased Services	\$ 806.22	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
1001-30151-110-2610-61100 Supplies-Middletown	\$ 11,866.04	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2610-61101 Supplies-Wells	\$ 16,924.64	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
1001-30151-110-2610-62200 Electricity	\$ 18,610.88	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
1001-30151-110-2610-62201 Solar Net Metering	\$ 22,510.39	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
1001-30151-110-2610-62300 Bottled Gas	\$ 5,526.33	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 1,000.00
1001-30151-110-2610-62400 Fuel Oil	\$ 26,984.37	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-110-2610-81100 Dues & Fees	\$ 1,054.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 403,986.98	\$ 500,950.61	\$ 620,234.70	\$ 119,284.09
1001-30151-110-27 Transportation				
1001-30151-110-2711-51900 Transportation	\$ 74,986.98	\$ 88,985.18	\$ 81,779.58	\$ (7,205.60)
	\$ 74,986.98	\$ 88,985.18	\$ 81,779.58	\$ (7,205.60)
1001-30151-110-3100 Fund Transfer				
1001-30151-110-3100-91200 Transfer Out to Reserve	\$ 73,530.98	\$ 72,620.82	\$ 89,328.80	\$ 16,707.98
	\$ 73,530.98	\$ 72,620.82	\$ 89,328.80	\$ 16,707.98
1001-30151-220 SU Special Ed Assessment				
1001-30151-220-2490-59300 Special Ed Assessment	\$ 499,216.00	\$ 522,520.00	\$ 521,941.00	\$ (579.00)
	\$ 499,216.00	\$ 522,520.00	\$ 521,941.00	\$ (579.00)
1001-30151-910-1401 Athletics				
1001-30151-910-1401-17100 Athletic Wages	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 7,000.00	\$ -
1001-30151-910-1401-22000 Fica & Medi	\$ 413.11	\$ 535.50	\$ 533.75	\$ (1.75)
1001-30151-910-1401-32100 Professional Services	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ -
1001-30151-910-1401-61100 Supplies	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -
	\$ 5,813.11	\$ 9,335.50	\$ 9,333.75	\$ (1.75)
Total District Wide	\$ 4,080,081.89	\$ 4,386,408.97	\$ 4,479,074.79	\$ 92,665.82
Total Expense	\$ 5,940,593.45	\$ 6,390,446.61	\$ 6,475,972.30	\$ 85,525.69
Total Fund Balance	\$ 121,280.25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Educational Spending	\$ 5,821,138.75	\$ 6,123,017.98	\$ 6,284,034.46	\$ 161,016.48
				2.6%

GREATER RUTLAND COUNTY SUPERVISORY UNION

Wells Springs School District Assessment Summary

FY27

Summary of Assessments

Curriculum Administration	\$	235,112
General Administration	\$	480,618
Fiscal Services	\$	731,902
Technology Services	\$	617,846
Plant Operations	\$	127,647
Special Ed	\$	9,845,334
Total	\$	12,038,460
Anticipated Non Assessment Revenue	\$	7,063,088
paid to School Districts	\$	4,975,372
Springfield School District	\$	786,323

Please Note: The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union budget detail is available on-line at www.grcsu.org or by calling the GRCSU central office at (802) 775-4342



December 29, 2025

To Wells Springs Unified Union School District Taxpayers:

The Wells Springs Unified Union School District audit of the financial statements as of and for the year ending June 30, 2025, by RHR Smith and Company has been completed. Copies of the report are available for review at the GRCSU office located at 100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2, West Rutland, VT 05777.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LM".

Louis Milazzo
Business Manager

Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union					
2025-2026 GRCSU Staffing					
Last Name	First Name	Position	FTE	Current Salary	Grant Funded
Chamberlain	Shauna	Board Secretary	-	\$ 1,886	0%
Charron	Regina	SLP	1.00	\$ 68,780	0%
Condrell	Jamieson	Tooth Tutor	0.33	\$ 19,567	100%
Connors	Greg	Administrator	1.00	\$ 111,826	0%
Dambrackas	Deborah	Benefit Specialist	1.00	\$ 72,800	0%
Daub	Neil	IT Tech	1.00	\$ 69,489	0%
Fiske	Lori	Bookkeeper	1.00	\$ 59,717	0%
Gardner III	Milton	IT System Admin	1.00	\$ 77,480	0%
Gragen	Deborah	Admin Asst	1.00	\$ 52,722	100%
Gutches	Emily	Medicaid Clerk	0.50	\$ 23,887	100%
Hansen	Kristi	Evaluator	1.00	\$ 80,244	50%
Hawke	Connavar	IT Tech	1.00	\$ 46,618	0%
Hawkins	Christina	Evaluator	1.00	\$ 82,889	0%
Hutchins	Elizabeth	SR Financial Analyst	1.00	\$ 68,640	0%
Jensen	Matthew	Coordinator for Student Services	1.00	\$ 83,750	100%
Kulig	Patricia	Treasurer	-	\$ 1,500	0%
Layden	Kelsey	OT	1.00	\$ 63,573	0%
Livak	Delores	Bookkeeper	0.75	\$ 37,459	0%
Loomis	Katy	Coordinator for Student Services	1.00	\$ 91,291	0%
Manning	Jodi	SLP	1.00	\$ 89,180	0%
Marino	Kathy	Bookkeeper	1.00	\$ 59,717	0%
Mattison	Lisa	Administrator	1.00	\$ 116,105	45%
McGuiness	Kristine	Exec Asst to the Superintendent	1.00	\$ 59,717	0%
Milazzo	Louis	Administrator	1.00	\$ 120,418	0%
Milliman	Jesse	School Psychologist	1.00	\$ 88,376	90%
Mitchell	Ali	PT	0.80	\$ 59,872	0%
Moriarity	Shannon	Web Design Data Master	1.00	\$ 54,600	0%
Newell	Shannon	School Psychologist	1.00	\$ 88,400	0%
Ondria	Cindy	Sub Coordinator	1.00	\$ 54,288	0%
Rescott	Tammy	Director of Student Service	1.00	\$ 119,600	100%
Seamans	Ashlee	Behavioral Specialist	1.00	\$ 52,000	0%
Sell	Christopher	Administrator	1.00	\$ 168,136	0%
Short	Sally	PT	0.09	\$ 9,777	0%
Taylor	Sarah	Early Ed Coordinator	1.00	\$ 92,378	100%
Weeden	Heather	SLP	1.00	\$ 89,180	0%
Weideman	Tyler	Curriculum Coordinator	1.00	\$ 88,000	0%
White	Kevin	School Psychologist	1.00	\$ 85,441	0%
Wilson	Heather	SLP	1.00	\$ 64,931	0%

* Salaries are based on contracted salaries for 2025-2026 School Year as of 1/5/26 and do not include any changes, additions, deletions or updates that have occurred after that date. Hourly staff salaries are estimated based on contracted days and hours.

Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union					
2025-2026 GRCSU Staffing					
Last Name	First Name	Position	FTE	Current Salary	Grant Funded
Book	Hannah	Para	1.00	\$ 23,572	0%
Butler	Amanda	Para	1.00	\$ 28,628	0%
Crawford	Giniqua	Para	1.00	\$ 24,839	0%
Crowley	Katie	Behavior Interventionist	1.00	\$ 33,621	0%
Dubois	Shawn	Interventionist	1.00	\$ 89,062	30%
Gates	Makenzie	Special Education Teacher	1.00	\$ 46,295	0%
Hayes	Grace	Behavior Interventionist	1.00	\$ 27,687	0%
Mahoney	Cheryl	Para	1.00	\$ 29,882	0%
Mihevc	Jessica	Interventionist	1.00	\$ 75,394	25%
Miller	Melissa	Special Education Teacher	1.00	\$ 59,962	0%
Park	Donna	Behavior Interventionist	1.00	\$ 32,880	0%
Rosas	Jaime	Special Education Teacher	1.00	\$ 67,017	0%
Woodbury	Erica	Para	1.00	\$ 22,945	0%

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CHILD FIND NOTICE

The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union and each of the member school districts (Ira, Quarry Valley, Wells Springs, and Rutland Town) are responsible for the provision of a free and appropriate public education for every child with an educational disability ages 3-21 living within a member town.

We are searching for any child including those birth through 2 years of age who might be eligible for and in need of special education and related services help. Anyone can and should make a referral of any child living in one of these towns they believe may be eligible for special education. They can do so by contacting in writing or by telephone:

The Principal of the school which the child is or will be likely to attend

OR

The Superintendent of Schools

Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union

100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2, West Rutland, VT 05777

Tel: 802-775-4342

Referral information will be handled in confidence. The referral may lead to an evaluation of the child to determine if he or she is eligible for and in need of special education. If the answer is yes, an individualized educational plan will be developed and implemented by a multidisciplinary team of people including the child's parents.

Please. If you suspect a child residing in one of these towns may be in need of special education, make a referral.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union and its member districts, will not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities including vocational education and special instruction as and to the extent provided by law.

The following have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the specified school district's non-discrimination policies:

Principal Poultney Elementary School, 96 School Circle, Poultney, VT 05764 Tel: 802-287-5212

Principal Poultney High School, 154 East Main Street, Poultney, VT 05764 Tel: 802-287-5861

Principal Proctor Elementary School, 14 School Street, Proctor, VT 05765 Tel: 802-459-2225

Principal Proctor Jr./Sr. High School, 4 Park Street, Proctor, VT 05765 Tel: 802-459-3353

Principal Rutland Town School, 1612 Post Road, Rutland, VT Tel: 802-775-0566

Principal Middletown Springs Elementary School, 15 School House Road, Middletown Springs, VT Tel: 802-855-5155

Principal Wells Village School, 36 MWA Loop, Wells, VT 05774 Tel: 802-645-0386

Principal West Rutland School, 713 Main Street, West Rutland, VT 05777 Tel: 802-438-2288

Superintendent GRCSU, 100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2, West Rutland, VT 05777 Tel: 802-775-4342

Additional inquiries regarding the provisions of the federal law related to children or adults with handicapping conditions or disabilities impacting the Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union or its member districts including Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and the Americans with Disabilities Act can be obtained by contacting the Superintendent of Schools, Greater Rutland County Supervisory Union, 100 Westway Mall Drive, Unit 2, West Rutland, VT 05777, Tel: 802-775-4342

**Wells Springs Unified Union School District
Annual Meeting
February 26, 2025
Virtual and Wells Village School**

Meeting Attendance: School Board Members: Eric Montbriand, George Gonda, Meredith Morgan, Amanda Weeden, Matt Heering.

School Officials – Walt Anderson – Moderator, Patty Kenyon – Clerk, Tammy Holcomb – Treasurer.

Principal Middletown Springs – Corey Smith, Principal Wells – Carol Wincowski; SU Business Manager - Louis Milazzo; Superintendent - Chris Sell.

16 in attendance in person, 12 in person eligible to vote from the floor. 8 in attendance virtually through GoogleMeet.

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm by Moderator, Walt Anderson.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The moderator asked board members and school officials to introduce themselves. The warning was read by the Moderator. The warning included information on how to join the virtual meeting as well as outlining tonight's rules, i.e. virtual attendees are passive participants only and are not allowed to participate in any voting from the floor. This meeting will be adjourned at its conclusion and reconvened in the respective polling places on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 to vote on the Australian Ballot articles.

Polling places: Middletown Springs Town Office - polls open from 7am to 7pm and Wells Town Hall - polls open from 10am to 7pm. Wells will transport ballots to Middletown Springs for commingling and tabulating.

The Moderator then began reading the articles.

Article 1 – Election of School District Moderator – 1 year: Walt called for nominations from the floor.

Nominations: Eric Montbriand nominated Walt Anderson for moderator, Amanda Weeden 2nd. No other nominations were received. All in favor, motion carried.

Article 2 – Election of School District Clerk – 1 year: Walt called for nominations from the floor.

Nominations: Meredith Morgan nominated Patty Kenyon for School District Clerk, George Gonda 2nd. No other nominations were received. All in favor, motion carried.

Article 3 – Election of School District Treasurer – 1 year: Linda Phillips nominated Tammy Holcomb as School Treasurer, George Gonda 2nd. No other nominations were received. All in favor, motion carried.

Eric Montbriand moved to allow nonresidents to speak, Amanda Weeden 2nd. All in favor, motion carried.

Article 4 - To hear the reports of the School Board and other District Officers: Entertain questions regarding the annual report outside of the budget.

Tammy Holcomb asked for clarification on the line items for custodian and facilities manager in both Middletown Springs & Wells.

Louis answered the questions with details on the current status of each of those positions.

The moderator called for a motion to accept the report as presented.

Meredith Morgan moved to accept the annual report as presented, Amanda Weeden 2nd. All in favor, motion carried.

Article 5 – To hear a presentation from the School Board on the Proposed 2025-2026 budget:

Louis Milazzo presented a report reviewing the budget in detail. Overall spending per pupil went up 5.9% across the district.

The net change in tax rate is a .07 increase for Middletown Springs and Wells rate stays virtually the same.

Questions: Claire Atkinson asked what is the tuition cost to send kids to Long Trail? What is the tuition if the kids went to Granville?

Louis answered that the district pays the state average tuition rate (\$19,774) for Long Trail. The tuition rate for Granville is \$10,700.

Robert Atkinson questioned the per pupil spending and how that is figured.

Louis answered each of the questions, explaining student weighting and the state's formula for weighting.

Claire questioned why the complicated calculations, and why not do the simple math and let townspeople know the simple mathematical cost to educate a child?

Louis explained the calculations are a function of state guidelines which are designed to ensure fairness statewide.

Robert questioned the school test scores for Wells Village School. Why did only 10% score at proficient in math? And stated that scores overall across the board are not improving they are declining.

Board members questioned where Robert found the numbers and that without knowing where to find those numbers, could not address the questions.

Tammy Holcomb asked do we have any combined classes in Wells & Middletown?

Board members pointed to the annual report on page 12 – grades 4/5 in Wells and K/1 & 5/6 in Middletown Springs are combined.

Tammy Holcomb asked when will Middletown Springs have its townwide reappraisal?

Meredith & Patty answered that the process is just beginning. The town received a notice of mandatory reappraisal at the beginning of this year.

Tammy asked what are the major repairs that need to be done that are listed in the report?

Louis answered that the items that he is aware of in the capital improvement plan are painting, wood rot, lighting & fixtures, and replacing windows. All of those are on the table across both schools.

Tammy asked some questions about individual budget items that increased uncharacteristically. Those questions were answered by Louis.

Article 6 – To transact any other lawful business that comes before the meeting:

Tammy requested that next year the annual report books need to be out at least 10 days before the meeting. This year they were late.

Australian Ballot questions 7 & 8 were read as warned.

Article 7 – To elect school directors by Australian Ballot.

Article 8 – School Budget Request of \$6,390,446.41.

Walt stated that upon adjournment, this meeting will be recessed until voting day, March 4, 2025. Middletown Springs polls are open from 7am to 7pm, Wells polls are open from 10am to 7pm.

Eric moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm, Amanda 2nd. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Patty Kenyon
School District Clerk

Approved by:



Patty Kenyon, School District Clerk on 11th day of March 2025



Walt Anderson, School District Moderator on 11th day of March 2025

Wells Springs Unified Union School District 2025 Elections

Voted February 26 - Meeting from the Floor

School Moderator	Walt Anderson
School Treasurer	Tammy Holcomb
School District Clerk	Patty Kenyon

March 4, 2025 School Election - Australian Ballot

Total Votes Cast - 597

Middletown Springs - 317 Wells - 280

Contest - SCHOOL DIRECTORS	Name On Ballot	Votes
SCHOOL DIRECTOR WHO RESIDES IN THE TOWN OF WELLS - 3 yrs	SUE BURKE	462
	Write-in Total	10
	Blank or Spoiled	125
SCHOOL DIRECTOR WHO RESIDES IN THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS - 3 yrs	GEORGE GONDA	477
	Write-in Total	4
	Blank or Spoiled	116

ARTICLES	YES	NO	Blank
ARTICLE 8. School Budget: Shall the voters of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend \$6,390,446.61 , which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?	298	260	39

**WELLS SPRINGS UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT WARNING
Annual School District Meeting February 25, 2026, and March 3, 2026**

The legal voters of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District consisting of the towns of Middletown Springs and Wells, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Middletown Springs Elementary School in said Town or virtually at the following link: meet.google.com/tvb-tpyy-fhy or Join by phone 1 260-333-9672 PIN: 714 232 744# at seven o'clock in the evening on Wednesday, February 25, 2026, to transact any of the following business (Articles 1-6) not involving voting by Australian ballot. All virtual attendees will be considered passive participants that will be allowed to ask questions and comment during the meeting. **Virtual attendees will not be allowed to vote.**

Only in-person attendees will be able to vote. Upon the conclusion of the business not involving Australian ballot, the meeting is to be adjourned and reconvened in the respective polling places hereinafter named on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. in Middletown Springs and from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. in Wells at which time the polls will close, to transact any business involving voting by Australian ballot (Articles 7-8).

February 25, 2026

Article 1.	To elect a moderator for a term of one (1) year.
Article 2.	To elect a clerk for a term of one (1) year.
Article 3.	To elect a treasurer for a term of one (1) year.
Article 4.	To hear the reports of the School Board and other District officials and act thereon.
Article 5.	To hear a presentation from the School Board on the proposed 2026-2027 budget.
Article 6.	To transact any other lawful business that comes before the meeting.

March 3, 2026

Article 7.	A. To elect one school director from the Town of Middletown Springs for a term of three (3) years. B. To elect one school director from the Town of Wells for a term of three (3) years.
Article 8.	"Shall the voters of the Wells Springs Unified Union School District approve the school board to expend \$6,475,972.30 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? The Wells Springs Unified Union School District estimates that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in per pupil education spending of \$12,617, which is a 1.58% decrease than per pupil education spending for the current year."

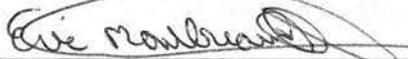
Said persons and voters are warned and notified that voter qualifications, registration, absentee voting, and voter procedures shall be in accordance with Chapters 43 and 51 of Title 17 Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Said persons and voters are further warned and notified that pursuant to 17 V.S.A. Section 2680(h), Article 5 constitutes a Public Hearing on the proposed budget.

Polling Places and Times

Middletown Springs: Town Office 7:00 A.M.- 7:00 P.M.
Wells: Town Hall 10:00 A.M.- 7:00 P.M.

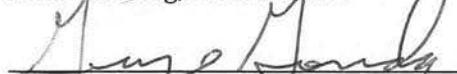
Approved by the Wells Springs Unified Union School District Board of Directors in a public meeting and Dated at Middletown Springs, Vermont, this 14th day of January 2026.



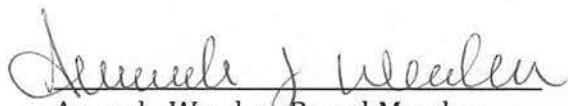
Eric Montbriand, Board Chair



Matt Heering, Board Clerk

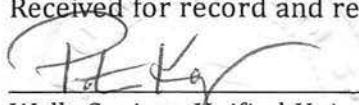


George Gonda, Board Member



Amanda Weeden, Board Member

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Middletown Springs Elementary School