Addendum for Independent School Applications - 2022

The State Board of Education’s (SBE) Rule Series 2200, Independent School Program Approval, changes were recently finalized through the rulemaking process. While the bulk of amendments to Rule Series 2200 take effect concurrent with Act 173 on July 1, 2023, four sections of the rules take effect immediately on adoption, which is May 10, 2022. Those rule sections taking immediate effect are: Rule 2223 (Procedure), Rule 2224 (Reciprocity), Rule 2226 (Application) and Rule 2227 (Approval).

Each entity seeking initial approval or renewal of approval is required to affirm compliance with Rule Series 2200 provisions that were not in effect at the time of application. This addendum document contains the four (4) additional assurances and must be signed by the Head of School. Upon submission to the AOE, your signed addendum will be attached to your application.

1. The school complies with the Vermont Public Accommodations Act (Title 9 Vermont Statutes Annotated, Chapter 141) in all aspects of the school’s admissions and operations.* (See Below)
2. The school’s facilities meet all applicable State and federal requirements.
3. The school complies with the requirements of 16 V.S.A. § 255 relating to criminal record checks and checks of the Child Protection Registry and the Vulnerable Adult Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation Registry.
4. The school has adopted a policy on record maintenance and retention that, at minimum, provides for the timely and confidential disposition of student records in the event of the school’s closure.

Head of School: by signing below, I hereby affirm I am an authorized officer or administrator of the applying independent school, affirm that this school meets the statutory conditions contained herein, and this statement is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Head of School: J. Wicky Fogel Date: January 5, 2022
Email Address: headofschool@mvcs.info

Name of School: Mid Vermont Christian School

*The Mid Vermont Christian School is signing this form with the understanding that it must be read consistent with existing law and the U.S. and Vermont Constitutions. As a religious organization, the school has a statutory and constitutional right to make decisions based on its religious beliefs, including hiring and disciplining employees, associating with others, and in its admissions, conduct, and operations policies and procedures. By signing this form, the Mid Vermont Christian School does not waive any such rights. To the extent Rule 2200’s requirements conflict with any of the school’s beliefs, including on marriage and sexuality, the school has not included that language in its handbook or online, nor can it affirm that particular aspect of the Vermont Public Accommodations Act.