

AGENCY OF EDUCATION

Barre, Vermont

TEAM: School Finance

ITEM: Will the State Board of Education acknowledge that an approved general education independent school operating under the name of the Aurora School, Middlebury, VT, closed in June 2017, and is no longer an approved general independent school in Vermont?

SECRETARY'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the State Board of Education acknowledges that an approved general education independent school operating under the name of the Aurora School, Middlebury, VT, closed in June 2017, and is no longer an approved general independent school in Vermont.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 16 V.S.A. § 166 (b)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

1. Aurora School, which was founded 20 years ago, was a small day school serving up to 30 students in grades K-8. The purpose of the Aurora School was to enable children to discover and understand the world around them, and to grow, development and excel both academically and personally. The school operated as a recognized school for a number of years, then sought initial approval status. The school was granted renewal of general education independent school approval by the State Board of Education on February 2017 through June 30, 2022.
2. The Head of School in June of 2017 notified the Agency that the Aurora School will not be operating for the 2017-2018 school year due to low enrollment.
3. Copies of student records for former and current pupils will be maintained by the Board of Trustees of the 501 (c) 3.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: None

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