

Working Understanding of Principles for Considering Alternative Governance Structures

Any merger scenario that is not statutorily prohibited is deemed to be possible.

Proposed mergers under the acting Secretary's plan shall be deemed to be practicable unless a school district or group of districts submitted a duly authorized AGS proposal by January 31, 2018, and some or all of the following factors are present, in which case the SBE will give due consideration to the same:

- Districts have formal agreements and/or processes underway to merge governance, e.g. joint school district or interstate compact
- Non-contiguous to a like operating structure unless offered under an AGS proposal
- If spending per equalized pupil is greater than 20 percent of the mean spending per equalized pupil of potential merger partners, then the SBE will examine the impact of debt.
- The case where there was a no vote on a 706b merger
- District/SU was merged within the last two fiscal years and is not a MUUSD or NMED