



Vermont School Governance Initiatives







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School Leaders Have Heard The Message...

-  **Maintain and improve school quality**
-  **Contain costs and operate more effectively**
-  **Streamline operations**
-  **Examine governance structure**

Governance Study Drivers

 **Emphasis on Student Achievement**

 **Declining Enrollment**

 **Increasing Cost Per Pupil**

 **Impact of Common Level of Appraisal**



VSBA Governance Initiative

**Can the school board
governance structure be made
more efficient and effective?**





**How does our current governance
structure support the goal of
improving student learning?**



Governance Study Focus Statement

Examining the education structure to improve learning opportunities, contain education costs and increase efficiencies throughout the supervisory union.

What's Currently Happening in School Districts

-  **Developing more effective school governance structures**
-  **Creating joint contract districts**
-  **Union school consolidation**
-  **Closing school and tuitioning out/in**

Supervisory Unions Moving Governance Changes Forward

 **Addison Northwest**

 **Southwest Vermont**

 **Rutland South**

 **Chittenden Central/Essex Town**

 **Windsor Central**

 **Orange North**

Supervisory Unions Moving Governance Changes Forward

 **Rutland Central**

 **Winooski**

 **Washington Central and Montpelier**

 **Bennington-Rutland**

Districts Researching or Moving Toward New Governance Options

Improving Quality/Reducing Costs:

 **Underhill, Underhill ID and Jericho**

 **Bethel & South Royalton**

Districts Researching or Moving Toward New Governance Options

 **Improving Quality/Reducing Costs:**

 **Whitingham & Wilmington**

 **Granville & Hancock**

 **Brookline & Townshend**

***Prior Supervisory Union, Union School, or
District Governance Changes***


 **Barre Supervisory Union** (Barre City &
Barre Town)

 **Metawee Valley Union Elementary**
(Rupert & Pawlett)

 **Rivendell Interstate School District**
(Fairlee, W. Fairlee, Vershire & Lyme, NH)

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District Governance Changes***

 **U-45 Waterbury-Duxbury Union Elem.**

 **Kirby & Belvidere** (closed school and
tuition out)

 **Regional Technical Academy**

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- ◆ VSBA Governance Studies
- ♥ Other Governance Initiatives

