



Regionalization Update November 26th

[Superintendent of Schools](#) Tuesday, Nov 26 at 4:00 PM

November 26, 2024

Dear Plainview-Old Bethpage Community,

At last night's Board of Education meeting, the Board adopted two resolutions to safeguard local control considering the Emergency Regionalization Regulations (Subpart 124-2 Regulations).

Be It Resolved that the Board of Education hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools to obtain the approval of the Board of Education before committing the District and/or District resources to any Regionalization Plan developed pursuant to Subpart 124-2 to Subchapter E of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Regionalization Plans ("Regionalization Plan"), and/or before agreeing on behalf of the District to any such Regionalization Plan.

Be It Resolved that the Board of Education of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District will review all legal options should the New York State Education Department and/or New York Board of Regents fail to withdraw and repeal Subpart 124-2 to Subchapter E of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Regionalization Plans ("Subpart 124-2") or substantively amend Subpart 124-2 to the satisfaction of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District.

These resolutions, along with the District's communications with the State Education Department, affirm the Board's commitment to retaining local control and revising the emergency regulation language.

Today, Commissioner Rosa shared an update with stakeholders across New York State ([click here to read](#)). Following the close of the public comment period, she clarified that districts, in consultation with their boards of education, may "elect not to participate in the regionalization planning process" and that the suggested amendments to regionalization plans will remain advisory, ensuring "that districts maintain full control over the plans they develop."

Sincerely,

Dr. Mary O'Meara
Superintendent of Schools

