

2017-2018 School Choice Collaborative

January 27, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As in previous years, our school board has chosen to participate in the Winooski Valley Regional Public School Choice Collaborative for 2017-18. Through this program and the state school choice program, students may apply to go to any public high school in Vermont at no cost.

The Vermont Legislature passed a law in May 2012 (Act 129, Sec. 34. § 822d 2A) which allows high school students to apply through school choice to any public high school in Vermont. This law sets rules for school districts regarding the number of entering and exiting student slots allowed through school choice. Students are chosen by lottery from all the applicants for each school district based on the number of open slots. You may view school choice information at the Vermont Department of Education website, <http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/laws/act129.html>.

If your student is interested in attending a high school outside of your district next year, please contact Linda Savoca or Claire Greene to obtain a school choice application form and return it to: Cabot School, 25 Common Road, Cabot, VT 05647 by **Wednesday, February 22**. Forms and information can also be found on our website, <http://cabotschool.org/>

You will be informed of the outcome of the lottery by April 1, 2017. You will need to confirm whether your student will accept or decline the placement by April 15, 2017. If you do not confirm placement by this date your slot may be given to another student if the school has a waiting list.

Parents are responsible for providing their student's transportation if they are chosen.

If you have any questions, please call or email Claire Greene at (802) 563-2289 ext. 234 or cgreene@cabotschool.org.