

North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District Board of Education, Annandale, NJ
November 25, 2025

Resolution 112525-4
Bloomsbury School District Referendum

WHEREAS, the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District Board of Education ("North Hunterdon") operates a limited purpose regional school district that currently serves high school students from Bethlehem Township, Califon Borough, Clinton, Clinton Township, Franklin Township, Glen Gardner Borough, Hampton Borough, High Bridge Borough, Lebanon Borough, Lebanon Township, Tewksbury Township, and Union Township; and

WHEREAS, the Bloomsbury Board ("Bloomsbury") contacted North Hunterdon regarding the possibility of joining North Hunterdon either as a constituent member or through a new sending-receiving relationship with North Hunterdon, either of which would require termination of Bloomsbury's current sending-receiving relationship with the Phillipsburg Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Bloomsbury and North Hunterdon discussed the possibility of Bloomsbury sending its students in grades 9 through 12 to North Hunterdon High School; and

WHEREAS, Bloomsbury and North Hunterdon agreed that, subject to approval by the Commissioner of Education of the Board's petition to withdraw from its sending/receiving relationship with Phillipsburg, Bloomsbury resident students in grades 9 through 12 would attend North Hunterdon High School via a sending-receiving relationship until such time as the voters in the respective communities approve Bloomsbury joining North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional as a constituent member of the regional district; and

WHEREAS, following the Commissioner of Education's approval of Bloomsbury's petition, in September 2025, students from Bloomsbury who completed the 8th grade and therefore would be eligible to enroll in 9th grade began to attend North Hunterdon High School; and

WHEREAS, in October 2025, Statistical Forecasting, LLC, John Kazmark, Ed.D., and School Financial Management Strategies, LLC issued a feasibility study as to Bloomsbury becoming a constituent member of the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District; and

WHEREAS, the consultants have concluded that, if Bloomsbury were to become a constituent member of the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District, each community would be provided with financial and educational benefits over the current educational system; and

WHEREAS, after due consideration, the Board has determined there exists good cause to pursue a referendum on Bloomsbury becoming a constituent member of the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District so as to provide the voters with the ability to decide how their tax dollars are spent and how their children are educated,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board seeks to have a referendum on Bloomsbury becoming a constituent member of the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board retains and authorizes special counsel, The Busch Law Group to represent the NHVR Board in preparing and jointly filing with the Porzio Law Firm, the required petition, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:13-43, to the Commissioner of Education seeking authorization to hold a referendum on Bloomsbury becoming a constituent member of the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, special counsel, The Busch Law Group, is authorized to take any and all appropriate action to obtain the aforementioned authorization from the Commissioner of Education and implement same.