

Procedures for the Formation of a Regional School Unit

[20-A M.R.S. Chapter 103-A](#): Regional School Units

[20-A § 1452](#). Core functions for which a regional school unit (RSU) is responsible include, without limitation:

1. Employment of a superintendent
2. Performance of business functions
3. Special education administration
4. Transportation
5. Core curriculum
6. Budget
7. Reporting
8. Employment
9. School calendar
10. Adoption of policies

[20-A § 1461](#). Formation of a regional school unit; reorganization planning and approval

1. Notice of intent (NOI)
 - A. Each SAU shall file with the Commissioner a notice of intent to engage in planning and negotiations with other SAUs for the purpose of developing a reorganization plan to form an RSU.
2. Reorganization planning committee (RPC)
 - A. Local communities are responsible for the formation of the RPC.
 - B. Law requires that municipalities and school administrative units (SAUs) play lead roles in forming the RPC.
 - i. Representatives from each SAU included in NOI
 - ii. Representatives of member municipalities who are representatives of the proposed RSU
 - C. Members of the general public who are residents of the proposed RSU
3. Submission of plans
4. Review and approval of plans
5. Referendum on reorganization plan
6. Results of the referendum
7. Certificate of organization
8. Retention of duties pending referendum

[20-A § 1461-A](#). Transitional powers and duties of the initial regional school unit board

1. Selection of superintendent
2. Budget preparation and approval
3. Authorization
4. Fiscal agent