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Integrated, Consolidated 9-16 Educational Facility

At the September 12th State Board of Education meeting Commissioner Hasson recommended that the highest rated project on the Final Priority List, Valley Unified Regional Service Center, be placed on the Approved Projects List. The recommendation was approved by the Board and the project now will begin the planning process with the goal of developing a model regional high school, integrated with Career and Technical Education and higher education components.

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Leased Space

Approvals of leased and lease-purchased instructional space for FY 2018-2019 have been posted to <u>https://www.maine.gov/doe/facilities/leased/index.html</u> under "Resources."

Water

Maine Center for Disease Control (CDC) has jurisdiction for the Maine Drinking Water Program and provides school water data. Maine CDC provides a lead in drinking water website for schools and parents: <u>https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/environmental-health/dwp/pws/leadInDrinkingWaterSchoolsParents.shtml</u>.

Safety

Schools are reminded to provide a copy of their chemical inventory to their local fire station. All schools, both public and private, must meet federal and state regulations. Information about the Hazard Communication Program, Chemical Hygiene Plan, Chemical Hygiene Officer, and Integrated Pest Management are located on the Department website at: <u>https://www.maine.gov/doe/school-safety/managmentofcheminschools.html</u>.

A monthly School Safety and Security bulletin will be published by State of Maine agencies and law enforcement partners during the school year. Here is a link to the September bulletin: <u>https://mainedoenews.net/2018/09/10/school-safety-and-security-if-you-see-something-say-something/</u>. You will receive a copy if you are subscribed to receive the Maine DOE News announcements.