



# Smithtown Central School District

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Senior Deputy Commissioner Dr. Jeffrey Matteson  
Office of Education Policy  
New York State Education Department  
89 Washington Avenue, Education Building  
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Dear Dr. Matteson:

At its December 9-10, 2024 meeting, the Board of Regents permanently adopted new subsection L24-2.8 of Section 124. This subsection provides a process for school districts to elect not to participate in developing a regionalization plan.

I am writing to advise you that the Smithtown Central School District Board of Education discussed the matter at its January 14, 2025 meeting, and decided that the district will not participate in NYSED's regionalization initiative. Based on the discussion at the Regents P-12 Committee meeting on December 9, including representations made by you and the Department's Counsel, we understand that our decision exempts the District not only from participation in the planning process but also from any obligation or initiative under any resulting regionalization plan.

Sincerely,

Mark Secaur, Ed. D.  
Superintendent