

APPRECIATE SO MUCH YOUR GRACIOUS AND CONTINUED SUPPORT
IN OUR DISTRICTS
AFFORDING OUR STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY
TO MOVE ON TO
HIGHER EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

December 4, 2018 marked a historic day for the Westport Central School District and community at large. A proposition to reorganize and centralize the Westport Central School District with the Elizabethtown-Lewis Central School District was placed before qualified voters. After a detailed and audited count of every ballot, qualified voters of both districts have voted by a significant majority in favor of merging our two school districts.

Now it is time for us to come together to strive for the best possible outcome from our years of work and strong emotions. Regardless of whether you voted in favor or against a merger, we all share a common goal: Our collective aspirations of giving our youth the best education possible with the resources we can dedicate, while growing our community. This goal is also shared by the Elizabethtown-Lewis community. This important common goal should unite, not divide us as we move forward to make the new, unified single school community the best school district and school community for all involved.

We recognize that there will be many questions yet to be answered and pledge to do our best to inform the public. There is also very much “heavy lifting” left to do prior to opening the doors of a new school district on the 1st of July. The WCS is dedicated to maintaining excellence for the current school year while assisting in planning for a merged district. We ask that you also remain strong advocates and active participants in the planning process, with the new board slated for election on January 15th. We have a significant opportunity as a new school district. As Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, “democracy transformed from thin paper to thick action is the greatest form of government on earth.” Your action and support are needed.

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