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Stephen H. Guthrie
Superintendent

To: Parents, Guardians, and Community Members

From: Stephen H. Guthrie, Superintendent of Carroll County Public Schools

Re: Board of Education Action Written Decision to Close North Carroll High School, New Windsor Middle School, and Charles Carroll Elementary School

Date: December 10, 2015

The Board of Education of Carroll County conducted a special public meeting with citizen participation on December 9, 2015. At that meeting, the Board of Education voted in favor of a motion to adopt my recommendation to close North Carroll High School, New Windsor Middle School, and Charles Carroll Elementary School effective July 1, 2016. Students currently attending these schools will be re-districted as set forth in the Superintendent's written report and recommendation of November 11, 2015 and updated on December 9, 2015.

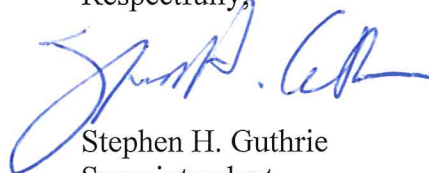
The motion approved by the Board is set forth below, and a copy of the Superintendent's written report and recommendation of November 11, 2015 and updated on December 9, 2015 is attached.

Motion

"I move that the Board of Education of Carroll County adopt the Superintendent's recommendation to close Charles Carroll Elementary School, New Windsor Middle School, and North Carroll High School effective July 1, 2016 and that the Superintendent's written report and recommendation dated November 11, 2015 and updated on December 9, 2015 be incorporated by reference into this motion as the Board of Education's final decision setting forth the rationale for the school closings and the impact of the school closings in accordance with the factors set forth in COMAR 13A.02.09.01B, and I further move that the Superintendent provide written notification of this Board's decision to the affected communities in the geographic attendance areas of the schools to be closed as well as to the schools to which students shall be relocated and that this written notification shall advise of the right to appeal this Board's decision to the Maryland State Board of Education within thirty days of the date of this decision."

The motion with the incorporated Superintendent's written report and recommendation constitute the final written decision of the Board of Education. This decision may be appealed to the Maryland State Board of Education, 200 W. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, in accordance with Section 4-205(c) of the Education Article to the Annotated Code of Maryland if taken in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of the Board of Education's decision of December 9, 2015.

Respectfully,



Stephen H. Guthrie
Superintendent