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Judith Pullinen  
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Dear Judith Pullinen,

The application from Arlington School District to establish a prekindergarten region under Act 166 has been conditionally approved for the below geographic boundary. Your approval is effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019. You may apply once annually for a change to the boundaries of the approved region.

The conditionally approved region for Arlington School District is **Arlington** plus any existing partnerships between Arlington School District and private providers of prekindergarten education. This approval is conditional on the Agency of Education receiving written confirmation that if demand for prekindergarten education seats exceeds the capacity of the region to meet the needs of the public, Arlington School District will develop a mechanism by which they will facilitate parents or guardians of a prekindergarten child to receive tuition for a prequalified program operated by a private provider or a public school in another district.

Your proposal, evidence gathered and testimony shared all showed evidence that your prekindergarten region meets:

- access requirements (16 V.S.A. §829(b))—Act 166;
- prekindergarten region/geographic limitations requirements (16 V.S.A. §829(h)) –Act 166;
- prekindergarten region/geographic limitations proposal requirements of the Act 166 Rules.

Approval of your prekindergarten region means:

- You may limit the geographic area within which Arlington School District will pay tuition for prekindergarten education to the above geographic boundary;
- If a resident prekindergarten child is unable to access publicly funded prekindergarten within your approved prekindergarten region, the parent or guardian may request, and in its discretion your district(s) may pay tuition at the statewide rate, for a prequalified prekindergarten education program located outside your district's approved prekindergarten region.

Sincerely,



Hal Cohen, Secretary  
Agency of Human Services



Rebecca Holcombe, Secretary  
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