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REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The 2003 –2004 school year brought many initiatives and changes to the schools of Sanford and Springvale. The changes and programs that resulted were all focused upon the goal of helping all students in our schools meet proficiency standards defined in *Maine's Learning Results*. It is only through the leadership of the Sanford School Committee, the support and input from parents and community members and the hard work of the school staff that the quality of education of our students continues to improve.

During the past year Sanford completed the required CLAS (comprehensive local assessment plan) and acknowledged that completion to the Maine Department of Education. Assessment and the analysis of student achievement data continue to be a major focus of our work. Students, parents and teachers are engaged in setting individual year long academic goals using scores obtained from the on-line participation in the NWEA (Northwest Evaluation Association) assessment.

Analysis of student achievement data in addition to recommendations from the Comprehensive Education Plan Committee resulted in requests for innovative programming to the Sanford School Committee. Some of the program initiatives undertaken in the 2003-2004 school year included:

- Expanding the Extended Kindergarten Program to Margaret Chase Smith School
- Before and After School Title I program, Homework Clubs, expanded summer school offerings
- Participation in grants including: 21st Century Grant, Smaller Learning Communities Grant and Healthy Lifestyles Grant
- Creation of a Communications Subcommittee, to publicize and seek community input into the work of the district
- Creation of the MOST (Making Opportunities for Structures and Time) Committee, to research and recommend how the time students spend in school and the programs students participate in can be restructured to promote increased student achievement.

Several of the District's programs were extensively evaluated through the past year.

The District participated in a State and Federal Review of our NCLB funded projects. Numerous commendations were forthcoming, as well as recommendations and citations. Sanford High School participated in an evaluation conducted by The New England Association of Schools and Colleges, which resulted in continued accreditation. Sanford Vocational School participated in it's own NEASC evaluation and is working on numerous recommendations from that report.

The reader is referred to the reports provided by the Schools of Sanford for a more detailed account of these initiatives. In reading these reports take note of the extensive amount of staff participation and time that has been given to help all our students reach proficiency.

The Sanford School Committee has strongly supported the infrastructure of the district. The 1 million dollar renovation bond has contributed greatly these efforts and we appreciated the support of the community in Town Meeting approval of this request.

In closing, I want to acknowledge the support of Superintendent Robert Kautz in helping advance the work of the district, the vision and leadership of the Sanford School Committee and the fine work of our administrators, faculty and support staff in providing educational settings where our students can meet Maine's Learning Results.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth J. St. Cyr
Interim Superintendent of Schools