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Margaret Beauchamp, Director of Student Services  
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Dear Ms. Beauchamp:

The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHED), Bureau of Special Education Support (Bureau) is writing to report the results of the NHED Special Education Program Approval Review of the **SUNSS (Students Under Six Needing Specialized Services) at Clark-Wilkins Elementary School** for students with educational disabilities as required by RSA 186:C. The criteria for the program approval review are specified in the New Hampshire Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities, effective May 24, 2017, Amended June 14, 2019, Amended August 9, 2018, Amended April 10, 2020 and IDEA 2004.

The New Hampshire Department of Education has approved your request to **add the disability area of Developmental Delay** for **SUNSS (Students Under Six Needing Specialized Services) at Clark-Wilkins Elementary School** effective **September 27, 2022**. See **yellow highlighted** area for change in the appropriate program in the approved programs listed below.

These changes have been made in NHSEIS as of September 27, 2022.

The following previously approved programs for the **Amherst School District** are provided for your review and are approved until otherwise notified.

**Clark-Wilkins School Grades P, K-4**

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Learning Center</b>  <b>Clark-Wilkins Elementary School</b> 80 Boston Post Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: K-4	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in the New Hampshire Special Education Information System (NHSEIS))</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Little STARS (Success Towards Academic Readiness)</b>  <b>Clark-Wilkins Elementary School</b> 80 Boston Post Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: K	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	Autism Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Other Health Impairment Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Self-contained	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>My Time</b> <b>Clark-Wilkins Elementary School</b> 80 Boston Post Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: 4	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	Autism Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Multiple Disabilities Other Health Impairment Speech-Language Impairment	Self-contained	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>PRESCHOOL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Preschool Program</b> <b>Clark-Wilkins Elementary School</b> 80 Boston Post Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: Preschool	Approved early childhood special education programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (c) Class Size and Age Range.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech or Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Early Childhood Special Education Program	School Year

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>PRESCHOOL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Preschool Summer Program</b> <b>Clark-Wilkins Elementary School</b> 80 Boston Post Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: Preschool	Approved early childhood special education programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (c) Class Size and Age Range.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech or Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Early Childhood Special Education Program	Summer

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<b>STAR (Success Toward Academic Readiness)</b>  <b>Clark-Wilkins Elementary School</b> 80 Boston Post Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: 1-4	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	Autism Developmental Delay Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury	Self-contained	School Year

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<b>SUNSS (Students Under Six Needing Specialized Services)</b>  <b>Clark-Wilkins Elementary School</b> 80 Boston Post Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: Preschool	Approved early childhood special education programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (c) Class Size and Age Range.	Autism <b>Developmental Delay</b> Emotional Disturbance Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Other Health Impairment Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Early Childhood Special Education Program	School Year

**Amherst Middle School Grades 5-8**

<u>PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION</u> <i>(as recorded in NHSEIS)</i>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>PROGRAM CAPACITY</u>	<u>PRIMARY DISABILITY</u>	<u>EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
<b>Amherst Middle School Life Skills Program</b>  <b>Amherst Middle School</b> Cross Rd. PO Box 966 Amherst, NH 03031-0966  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: 5-8	Self-contained programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (d) Class Size and Age.	Autism Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury	Self-contained	School Year

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<b>EH Resource Room Program</b>  <b>Amherst Middle School</b> Cross Rd. Amherst, NH 03031-0966  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: 5-8	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Emotional Disturbance Specific Learning Disability	Resource Room	School Year


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<b>Learning Center</b>  <b>Amherst Middle School</b> Cross Rd. Amherst, NH 03031  <b>Amherst School District</b>	Grades: 5-8	Resource room programs must comply with Ed 1113.10 (e) Class Size and Age.	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Visual Impairment	Resource Room	School Year

You must inform the New Hampshire Department of Education of any new special education programs or substantive program changes that may have a bearing on your special education program approval status. In addition, any deficiencies which may arise for fire, safety and/or health reasons and which could cause revocation of State Health and Fire licensure should be reported immediately to the New Hampshire Department of Education.

The Bureau extends to you its appreciation for your cooperation and assistance. We look forward to our continued partnership in working with you to provide quality special education services to students with disabilities.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (603) 271-3842 or Amy.Jenks@doe.nh.gov.

Sincerely,



Amy Jenks  
 Program Specialist IV

cc: NHDOE File