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Three Finalists Selected for the Green Mountain Union High School Principal Position All are Welcome to Meet our Finalists

Ludlow, VT, February 8, 2018 – The Green Mountain Union High School Search Committee has selected three finalists to meet students, faculty, staff, community members and the Green Mountain Unified School District (GMUSD) Board. The finalists have been invited to our school on February 13, 2018. In the afternoon, the finalists will meet with groups of students, faculty, staff and community members. In the early evening the finalists will be interviewed by school board members.

Community members from the towns of Andover, Baltimore, Cavendish and Chester are invited to meet our finalists on February 13th at 4:45 p.m. We will greet all community members who come to our school and assign you a classroom. The finalists will be located in a classroom and community members will have the opportunity to meet with each candidate for twenty minutes. Community members will switch classrooms every twenty minutes to meet all three finalists.

Twenty-three candidates applied for the principal's position with thirteen candidates having the proper qualifications for the position. The Search Committee vetted those thirteen candidates and selected eight candidates to interview. After the initial round of interviews, four candidates were selected for a second round of interviews. Following the second round of interviews the Search Committee selected three candidates as finalists. The three candidates include: Carl Chambers of Etna, New Hampshire, Lauren Fierman of Amston, Connecticut and Michael Ripley of Proctorsville, Vermont.

A brief background - Mr. Chambers has served as a Director of Curriculum for the Windsor Southeast and Windham Northeast supervisory unions, a principal and a high school teacher. Mrs. Fierman is currently the Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment at Regional School District No. 8 in Hebron, Connecticut and has previously worked as a district data coach, an English department chair and a middle school teacher. Mr. Ripley is the Associate Principal at the Green Mountain Union High School and has served as an assistant principal and a science teacher in other school settings.

Please join us to welcome our finalists to the Green Mountain Union High School. Community members are invited to arrive at 4:40 p.m. for classroom assignments. After you meet with the candidates, we will ask for your feedback at the end of each session. Your feedback will be shared with the GMUSD Board of Directors that evening.