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Dear Members of the CTRC,

Our group has been on quite the adventure over the past several years. Although the process has taken longer than expected, we have made great strides in providing the students of the North Country more educational opportunities. As a committee, we have been through many different models and somehow, we concluded with the final two... Model 1 and Model 2.

The Canaan School Board has looked at both models and we want to support Model 1. We believe this is the closest model to the one we presented to our towns and the model that will be best for all students in the area. We believe that a central High School, in a central location, will be beneficial to all. This model also has every community gaining and losing something. We also believe that the high school and middle school should be separate entities. However, we would be open to exploring other models that have middle and high school in separate locations. Having separate locations is very important to the Canaan School Board because students at these ages have very different educational, emotional, and social needs.

We hope that the CTRC can join us in support of Model 1 or in supporting a model with a separate middle and high school so we can provide better educational opportunities for our students. Please feel free to contact any Canaan School Board member with any questions.

Sincerely,

Katie Sawicki