

February 19, 2015

Geoff Bruno
Superintendent of Schools
Falmouth Public Schools
51 Woodville Road
Falmouth, ME 04105

Dear Superintendent Bruno:

This letter acknowledges receipt of Falmouth Public School's request for an extension to meet the proficiency-based graduation requirements. The information and evidence presented in Falmouth Public School's Extension 2 request gives the Department reasonable confidence that the remaining refinements will be accomplished and prepare Falmouth High School to keep their timeline to meet the proficiency-based graduation requirements based on secondary school standards after January 1, 2018.

Under a provision in Maine's Basic School Approval Statutes (Maine Revised Statutes 20-A §4502, subsection 8), I grant a waiver of the requirement to award proficiency-based diplomas after January 1, 2018 and extend the time to transition to proficiency-based graduation requirements to after July 1, 2018. This extension is given with trust in the good faith and effort of the staff and students of Falmouth to work diligently to address the remaining refinements and is contingent upon an annual report to the Maine Department of Education regarding the school administrative units progress toward meeting the requirements of Maine Revised Statutes 20-A §4722-A. This annual report will be embedded in the Confirmation of Readiness application.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Desjardins
Acting Commissioner of Education