

**ISLAND-PENINSULA AOS
ORGANIZATIONAL TIMELINE
September 19, 2008**

1. September 22 – September 25, 2008
Informal DOE review of consolidation plan documents
2. September 25 – October 6, 2008
RPC review and approval of the interlocal agreement and AOS consolidation plan to meet the requirements of the law
3. October 7 – October 21, 2008
All eight school committees consider approval to forward AOS plan to Commissioner of Education as required by law
4. October 22 – November 3, 2008
Commissioner reviews plan – approves or requires RPC to make adjustments in the plan
5. November 4 – November 20, 2008
School Committees hold public hearings on the plan and make adjustments as may be required by the Commissioner
6. November 21 – December 12, 2008
Municipal officers must file Order with town clerks with wording of ballot article for a January 27, 2009 consolidation referendum
7. December 1 – December 17, 2008
CSD Board signs election warrant for a January 27, 2009 referendum
Absentee ballots delivered to each municipality
8. December 15 - December 30, 2008
Notices of public hearings on the referendum article posted in each town for hearings during the first two weeks of January, 2009
9. January 5 – January 17, 2009
Each school committees holds a public hearing on the referendum article
10. January 20, 2009
Deadline for municipalities to post January 27, 2009 referendum warrant
11. January 27, 2009
Referendum vote on the Island-Peninsula AOS Consolidation Plan

12. January 28 – March 1, 2009

The new AOS school committee members are appointed by each of the towns/district that approves the referendum (consolidation is approved only if towns with a combined total of at least 1,200 students approve the referendum)

13. March – April, 2009

AOS school committee employs superintendent, sets interim personnel policies, reviews/adopts 2009-10 school calendar and adopts a 2009-10 AOS budget. If AOS is not approved RPC continues to explore alternatives to consolidation. Groups of towns develop their own interlocal agreements to provide central office services using existing school union combinations of towns or new combinations of towns.

14. June 30, 2009

School Unions 76, 92 and 93 go out of business or existing/new central office arrangements go into effect under new interlocal agreements.