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## **Topsham, Bowdoinham, Bowdoin, and Harpswell Residents Invited To Participate In Accreditation Of Mt. Ararat High School**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Topsham, ME

Principal Donna Brunette of Mt. Ararat High School has invited parents of school children and other interested community members to assist in a self-study which is currently being conducted by the school's professional staff.

The self-study is a significant component in the Accreditation process of the Commission on Public Schools for the Accreditation of Mt. Ararat High School by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Principal Brunette noted that all aspects of the school will be evaluated during the self-study. Volunteers are most urgently needed, however, to serve on committees which will evaluate the areas of Core Values, Beliefs, and Learning Expectations; Curriculum; Instruction; Assessment of and for Student Learning; School Culture and Leadership; School Resources for Learning; and Community Resources for Learning.

The New England Association of Schools and Colleges is a voluntary membership organization of more than 2,000 public schools, colleges and universities, independent schools, and vocational/technical and career institutions. Approximately 630 public schools throughout New England are currently accredited through the Association's Commission on Public Schools. The Committee works with individual schools to improve the quality of their programs at all levels through a process of self-study, evaluation, and follow-up activities.

Anyone interested in volunteering time or in learning more about the self-study should contact either Sewall Janeway or Jessica Belanger, who are coordinating the Accreditation process at the school. They can be reached by telephone at 207 729-2951 during school hours or by email at [janeways@link75.org](mailto:janeways@link75.org) or [cowiej@link75.org](mailto:cowiej@link75.org).

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