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Shelley Mathias, Principal
Edmunds Elementary School
299 Main Street
Burlington, VT 05401

Dear Principal Mathias,

I am pleased to inform you that Edmunds Elementary School achieved the "VTPBIS Exemplar School" status for the 2017-18 school year. This recognition is the result of a significant commitment on the part of you and your staff to implement Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports with fidelity. As Secretary, I recognize the importance of a school culture and climate that contributes to continuous school effectiveness. Your implementation of this multi-tiered system of supports for behavior is an important action toward success for all learners. I thank and congratulate you and your school community for your focused implementation efforts.

In order to achieve the "VTPBIS Exemplar School" status, your school has:
- Implemented Universal PBIS with fidelity, measured as at least 70% on the Tiered Fidelity Inventory and sustained this measurement for 2 consecutive years;
- Used behavior data within a problem-solving framework to improve student outcomes;
- Completed the annual Self-Assessment Survey to inform implementation planning; and
- Demonstrated evidence that sustained implementation has had positive effects on learners' academic and behavioral performance.

Your school was recognized during the Annual Vermont PBIS Leadership Forum on October 11th and highlighted in the 2017-18 VTPBIS Annual Report which can be found on the VTPBIS website at www.pbisvermont.org. I encourage you to celebrate your achievement with the leadership team, PBIS School Coordinators Melissa Hathaway, your students, staff and community. Again, congratulations for a job well done!

Sincerely,

Daniel M. French, Ed.D.
Secretary of Education

cc: Yaw Obeng, Superintendent, Burlington SD
    Melissa Hathaway, PBIS School Coordinator