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SUBJECT: Press Release from Superintendent Drew Echelson

Parade Honoring State Champion Boys' Hockey Team and Ceremony Honoring Boys' and Girls' Hockey Team for Good Sportsmanship Award Saturday, March 24, 2018.

[WALTHAM, MA] [March 19, 2018] I want to first congratulate the Waltham Boys' Hockey team—the 2018 Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) Boys' Hockey Division-1 State Champion. I am equally impressed and proud that the Waltham Girls' and Boys' hockey teams who were awarded the MIAA Good Sportsmanship award. These accomplishments reflect positively on our community and it was such a touching moment to see these accomplishments bestowed upon our scholar athletes in a sea of red super fans.

I also wanted to congratulate Coach John Maguire and his team for their expert guidance and coaching. There is no question that Coach Maguire's leadership was a factor in the success of the program. Coach Maguire is to be applauded, along with the entire team, for his support and leadership of the hockey program.

To show our community support for our State Champion Boys' Hockey team, the City of Waltham will host a parade on Saturday, March 24 at 11:00 a.m. The parade route will start at Waltham High School (at 11:00 a.m.), move down Lexington Street onto Main Street and end at Waltham City Hall. (~12:00 p.m.). The Honorable Jeannette A. McCarthy, Mayor of the City of Waltham, will preside over a ceremony honoring the Boys' State Champion Team at City Hall on or around noon. She will also acknowledge the Girls' and Boys' hockey team for earning the Good Sportsmanship awards.

Congratulations again to the 2018 Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) Boys' Hockey Division-1 State Champion: Waltham Hawks. Special congratulations to the Boys' and Girls' Hockey team for earning the important Good Sportsmanship Award. We look forward to honoring our student athletes on Saturday, March 24.