

## Waltham Public Schools

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TO: All Waltham Public Schools Staff

Waltham High School Building Committee

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At their recent joint conference the MA Association of School Committees and the MA Association of School Superintendents presented the All-State School Committee Award to Mayor Jeannette A. McCarthy. Please join me in congratulating Mayor McCarthy on this prestigious award.

## MAYOR JEANNETTE A. MCCARTHY WALTHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE-MEMBER OF THE MASSACHUSETTS ALL-STATE SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PRESENTED BY THE MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL COMMITTEES, INC. NOVEMBER 2017

This recognition is intended to honor school committee members who, during the previous year have made a significant contribution to their community or their school committee either through specific action or as an inspiration and role model for their peers and constituents. The criteria for nominees includes:

- Keeps the education and welfare of children as their primary concern;
- Represents the best interest of all constituents rather than special interest groups;
- Understands the need for compromise and abides by decisions of the majority;
- Has made the time commitment necessary to become an informed and effective school committee member;
- Channels complaints and potential problems to the proper authority;
- Reaches decisions on the merits of issues and on the basis of the best available information;
- Participates in in-service programs at the local, state, or national level;
- Does not, individually or unilaterally, make commitments on behalf of the school committee;
- Is open and honest with other committee members and administrators, shares information and avoids surprises whenever possible;
- Is familiar with and abides by the MASC code of ethics.