

# School Committee Briefs

## At the September 10th School Committee meeting...

- Learned that the following Barrington High School students have been named semifinalists in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Program: Quentin Duyck, Isabelle Rea, Nina Regan, Ian Sabula, Huanglizhi Sheng, Vivian Tian, Emma Vorenberg, Samuel Whitman, and Ethan Wold; and that Barrington Middle School has been named a Spotlight School by the New England League of Middle Schools (NELMS). To view the Achievement Recognition presentation, click [here](#).
- Learned about the Barrington Middle School Grade 8 field trip to Washington, D.C. in June, 2015; presenters were student Sydney Polando, BMS faculty member Mr. Stuart Moran and BMS Principal Dr. Andrew Anderson.
- Received the 2014 – 2015 update on Athletics and Student Activities from Barrington High School Director of Athletics and Student Activities Mr. George Finn. To view the presentation, click [here](#).
- Received a report on the School Resource Officer Program Initiative from Barrington High School Principal Mr. Joseph Hurley, Barrington Chief of Police John M. LaCross and School Resource Officer Joshua Melo.
- Received a report on Graduation Requirements.
- Received an update from the Barrington Middle School Building Committee, including ongoing subcommittee work relative to finalization of the contract agreement with Kaestle Boos Associates, pending approval by the Building Committee and School Committee; learned about the identification of achievable objectives and upcoming meeting dates.
- Discussed the Planning and Visioning Process for Barrington Middle School, including confirmed dates of September 16 and 17 for the Fall Visioning Process and October 2 for the Closing Visioning Session; interested members of the public are welcome to participate in the process and may contact the Administration for additional information.
- Received an update on plans for the School Start Times Workshop scheduled for October 1, 2015 at the Administration Building.
- Received an update about the Strategic Communication Plan including the status of the Superintendent's exploration of a new website design.
- Conducted a second reading, with subsequent approval, of the revision to the Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program Policy. To view the Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program Policy, click [here](#).
- Learned additional details about the Lead, Educate and Promote the Profession (LEAPP) Initiative 2014-2015 report.
- Received an announcement from the Superintendent relative to the resignation of Barrington Middle School School Psychologist Maggy Rose Bell.
- Approved the recommendation of the Superintendent relative to requests for home schooling.

- Conducted a first reading of the draft policy revision for the Barrington Health and Wellness Policy, as approved by the Health and Wellness Committee. The second reading and proposal for approval of the draft policy is scheduled for the October 15 School Committee meeting. To view the draft of the Barrington Health and Wellness Policy, click [here](#).
- Conducted a first reading of the draft policy revision for the Food Allergies Policy, as approved by the district Health and Wellness Committee. The second reading and proposal for approval of the draft policy is scheduled for the October 15 School Committee meeting. To view the draft of the Food Allergies Policy, click [here](#).
- Conducted a first reading of the draft policy Tutoring for Pay. The second reading and proposal for approval of the draft policy is scheduled for the October 15 School Committee meeting. To view the draft of the Tutoring for Pay Policy, click [here](#).
- Discussed a potential schedule for a Joint Legislative Breakfast with the Barrington Town Council.
- Appointed Dr. Robert Shea as School Committee Vice Chair, in accordance with the School Committee Officers Policy.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.
- To view the meeting video, click [here](#).