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## Town of Mashpee

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Date: July 20, 2020

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In accordance with the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 39, Section 23A-C, regarding  
Massachusetts Open Meeting Law the

School Committee & Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe- Joint Meeting (Virtual Meeting)  
give you notice that it will meet for the purpose of acting upon such business as may come before it.

Day and Date of Meeting: Wednesday, July 22, 2020

Time of Meeting: 5:30 PM

Place: Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/97174500797>  
Phone: +1 646 558 8656 ID: 971 7450 0797

Chairman: George Schmidt/ g.k.h.

***Windows will be closed and lights will be shut off after meeting.***

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***\*\*Please keep in mind that rooms are assigned on a first come, first serve basis. Therefore, it is imperative that you notify this office as quickly as possible to reserve your meeting room.***

***Except in an emergency, a notice of every meeting of any governmental body shall be filed with the clerk of the city or town in which the body acts, and the notice or a copy thereof shall, at least forty-eight hours, including Saturdays but not Sundays and legal holidays, prior to such meeting, be publicly posted in the office of such clerk or on the principal official bulletin board of such city or town.***



**MASHPEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS--MASHPEE WAMPANOAG TRIBE  
PARTNERSHIP JOINT ANNUAL MEETING  
July 22, 2020 (5:30 PM - 7:30 PM)**



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**Agenda**

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**PARTNERSHIP MISSION:** In partnership, we advance the academic growth and social/emotional well-being of our Wampanoag students through an emphasis on culture-based education principles and practices. All Mashpee educators and students will continue to learn about the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe's history and culture, resulting in expanded cultural knowledge and awareness.

1	5:30 PM	A. Call Meeting to Order B. Pledge of Allegiance C. Welcome/Acknowledgement of Participants
2	5:35 PM	Sharing from Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council--Updates (not necessarily school-related) A. Land in Trust
3	5:55 PM	Sharing from Mashpee Public Schools--Updates (not necessarily tribe-related) A. Portrait of a Graduate B. Strategic Planning Process C. Enhanced student opportunities at MMHS (grants) D. Reopening--Fall 2020
4	6:15 PM	Partnership: Reflections/Accomplishments (2017 - 2020) A. Staff opportunities for growth (MPS--P. DeBoer, MWT--J. Baird) B. Student opportunities for growth (MPS--P. DeBoer) C. Communication and collaboration (MPS--P. DeBoer) D. MWT--College and Career Pathways Grant--NYCP (MWT--Cameron Greendeer) E. Land Acknowledgement Poster (MPS--P. DeBoer; MWT--J. Weston)
5	6:45 PM	Partnership: Moving Forward A. Learning from/supporting other districts--local/national (MPS--N. Bartlett) B. Advocacy (MPS--N. Bartlett) C. STEP Grant (MWT--R. Mills-Brown) D. Elders Panel (MWT--R. Mills-Brown; MPS--P. DeBoer) E. Tribal Court (MWT--R. Mills-Brown; MPS--P. DeBoer) F. Flag poles at each school (MPS--P. DeBoer) G. Town of Mashpee Youth Commission (MPS--C. Lewis; MWT--B. Weeden)
6	7:15 PM	Partnership: Next Steps A. Tribal Council Charing next Joint MPS-MWT Meeting B. Build relationships between MPS counselors with tribal resources--blended support model C. Other
	7:30 PM	*Adjournment

\*Vote required

# Mashpee Public Schools--Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Partnership

Open with

June, 2020

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## Accomplishments (2017 - 2018)--YEAR ONE

- Two combined Mashpee School Committee--Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council meetings
- Four Mashpee Public Schools--Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Partnership meetings
- Wópanâak Pâsuq I language course at MMHS (Gr. 9-12)
- Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe historical sketch shared by Jessie "Little Doe" Baird with each school's staff
- 10-Week MWT culture-based professional development workshop for Mashpee educators
- MWT is included on agenda of monthly Mashpee School Committee meetings
- Varsity MMHS boys and girls basketball games played at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Government Center
- Native American books/literature were added to all school libraries
- Informational brochure created about the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe
- Wampanoag Day at the Quashnet School and Wampanoag Culture Week at the Coombs School
- Some classroom presentations were provided by Wampanoag parents
- Mashpee Public Schools Indian Education Grant offerings

## Accomplishments (2018 - 2019)--YEAR TWO

- MWT Informational brochure was distributed to all MPS staff members. Copies are available at each school's main office and at #WeAreMashpee. Brochure was also emailed to all families.
- MPS New Staff Orientation bus tour included a stop/tour at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Government Center
- Jessie "Little Doe" Baird addressed the entire MPS staff at convocation
- Mashpee School Committee voted to rename Columbus Day on the District's calendar to Indigenous Peoples' Day
- Wópanâak Pâsuq I and Wópanâak Nees II language courses are currently running at MMHS (Gr. 8 - 12)
- 2nd Annual MMHS Girls and Boys Home Basketball Games held at the Tribal Government Center
- Guided tour of the Tribal Government Center for each school's staff
- District leadership team met with Roxanne Mills-Brown and Elder Vivian Bussiere to discuss strategies and partnering plans to provide support to Native American families whose children have poor attendance and/or excessive tardies.
- Three Wampanoag Culture Weeks at the Coombs School
- Roxanne Mills-Brown served as a member of Mashpee's Portrait of a Graduate development team
- MWT has agreed to provide before-school childcare for PreK - Grade 6 students at its government center for SY19-20 (7:30 AM - 8:50 AM) and MPS will provide bus transportation from the government center to school.
- 10-week professional development opportunity provided to MMHS educators: "Culturally-Based Curriculum, Strategies, and Best Practices"
- Native American students at MMHS created a new "Land of the Wampanoag" sign, replacing the one that was damaged on Route 130. (Thank you Nathan Mills and Trey Peters)
- Fifth grade teachers Emily Pimental and Coleen Blount secured a \$500 mini-grant from the Cape Cod Five Charitable Foundation to support the 5th grade "Wampanoag Day" at the Tribal Government Center
- Mashpee Wampanoag Education Department staff members attended the District's March 15th PD--Trauma Informed Practices from the Trauma and Learning Policy Initiative
- Year-end joint meeting of the School Committee and the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council
- Books written by Native American authors have been added to the MMHS summer reading list
- Discussed our draft Portrait of a Graduate descriptors with Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council members; collected suggested edits
- Class of 2019 "Walk of Honor" included stop at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Gov't Center

### Accomplishments (2019 - 2020)--YEAR THREE

- Continuation of already established annual event/activities
- Poster has been created for display in each classroom and in other prominent locations at each school  
Poster Text in Wôpanâak and English: *We Welcome You. The Mashpee Wampanoag welcome you to our traditional homeland. The Mashpee Public Schools recognizes and honors the many generations of Wopanaak People who have lived and been sustained in this territory for more than 10,000 years. (Poster includes a picture)*
- MPS New Employee Orientation visit to the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Government Center
- Jessie "Little Doe" Baird spoke to all MPS staff at convocation
- Three levels of Wôpanâak are currently being offered to students at MMHS
- MMHS School-to-Career placements (2) at the Tribal Government Center--Language Immersion School
- Upper Cape Hackathon held at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Government Center--organized by MPS teacher
- Native American History elective scheduled at MMHS for SY19-20 (Spring)
- Native American Awareness Week at each school--included each principal highlighting a Mashpee Wampanoag Elder each morning, whole-school assembly at each school, "Rock your Mocs" Day at each school
- Diversity Day at MMHS--Native American students participated
- Third annual MMHS basketball games (Girls/Boys Varsity) held at the Tribal Government Center
- Native American representation on each school's PULSE Team--participate when problem-solving a NA student
- Several meetings to develop protocols/practices in regards to NA attendance issues--partner with tribal court and elders
- MPS Strategic Planning process--Roxanne Mills-Brown is participating
- Seal of Biliteracy on Diploma (None this year for our NA students--threshold was raised)--Through our advocacy work with DESE--the Massachusetts state seal was removed from DESE's Seal of Biliteracy--offensive depiction
- MPS is hopeful to install exterior flag poles at each school in order to display the Mashpee Wampanoag flag (Summer)
- Mashpee School Committee Vice-Chair Nicole Bartlett was appointed Northeast Region Director for the American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Council of the National School Board Association (NSBA)

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Kuwneepuyômuw!

Mâseepêêêê Wôpanâak un8âak, kuwneepuyômuw nuwtahkeemôwuneâyunônut.  
Musunune8ak wutâ Mâseepêêêê Katnutôhtâkamuqut sôp8âônâak mônâee  
ôtuseety8ôkanash âyuhucheek kah tâpânumôhucheek y8 wutahkeemôwunut  
ane8 ôk pâyaqee mutânôkanuwash katum8ash.



*"Lopez Family Photo"*

**Welcome.**

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