



# Superintendent Goguen

January 10, 2020

## Dear Students, Families and Staff,

Happy New Year! 2020 is going to be another productive year for the Webster Public Schools .



BHS DECA Club joined other DECA students at the DCU Center Today, Jan 10th.

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### News and Updates:

1. As you know we have been accepted into the Eligibility Period by the Massachusetts School Building Association and we are hoping to move into the Feasibility Period. We held an informational evening last night which was well attended please see the presentation on our website [www.webster-schools.org](http://www.webster-schools.org). We hope to see many parents at the Special Town Meeting scheduled on January 13<sup>th</sup> at Bartlett High School at 7:00 p.m. Childcare will be provided by National Honor Society students.
2. Come to support and see our Show Choir Rock Concert this Sunday! The Music Boosters will be hosting the event and selling concessions! Get your tickets:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/s/rock-voices-auburn-in-concert/2797584566939964/>

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3. Congratulations to Mia Lipman-Tessicini who was recognized as the Superintendent's Scholar at Holy Cross. Every year the Worcester County Superintendent's Association recognizes high school seniors who have demonstrated a strong commitment to their learning and community. Mia is an outstanding young lady.

She is:



- ◆ a member of the National Honor Society
- ◆ none of her grades are lower than an A
- ◆ currently #2 in the class of 2020
- ◆ Marching Band Leader
- ◆ Captain of Varsity Soccer
- ◆ Captain of Varsity Softball
- ◆ And outside of school the Junior Staff member of the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Program



4. Congratulations to Vanessa Piwowarczyk who has been selected by WMS teachers for her exemplary ethic of service, values of kindness, compassion and humility and gratitude. Project 351 Ambassadors share a common passion for making a positive difference in their community and our world. Project 351 Ambassadors will participate in 12 months of service and leadership development with other student ambassadors across Massachusetts.

- ◆ Vanessa puts in 100% in everything she does
- ◆ In her speech for NJHS she mentioned "stepping out of her comfort zone" to run for the position and that in doing so "she would help to encourage others to do as well"





5. This week Ms. Coulson hosted an in-depth conversation with Bartlett Alumni and her students. Graduates came back to share their educational/life experiences and provide advice to current students.



6. 5 BHS students were honored at the Central MA Soccer 2019 All Stars Award Banquet!

Congratulations to: Joey Anderson - All Star  
Nathan Blythe - All Star  
Jacob Vosburg - All Star  
Taven Phanthavong - All State All Star  
Megan Tucker - All State All Star



7. To date we have had 3 snow days and AS OF NOW, the last day of school is June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Note if we have any more snow days, this date will change again.

8. Thank you to our students who performed at the WMS and BHS Winter Concerts, and thank you to our Music Teachers across the district, Ms. Baggett, Mr. Wright, Mr. Carney and Mr. Twiraga for their efforts in organizing these well attended events!



9. Here are the Park Ave concert dates and times :

Thursday, January 16th, 1:30 p.m.	2nd grade
Thursday, February 13th, 1:30 p.m.	Kindergarten
Friday, March 6th, 1:30 p.m.	Third grade
Thursday, March 26th: 6:30 p.m.	First grade (evening concert)
TBD	Fourth grade

10. Dr. Goguen and Dr. Zielinski, Superintendent Oxford Public Schools cordially invite *Grandparents Raising Grandchildren* to an informal discussion on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 @ 6:00 in the Oxford High School Community Room located at 100 Carbuncle Dr. Oxford, Ma 01540.

11. Adult Education has openings for ESOL please contact Leslie Baker at 508-949-8282 for more information.

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**Other Dates to Remember**

January 14, 2020	Meet and greet Heidi Peterson, WMS Assistant Principal at Webster Middle School @ 4:00
January 14 & 28, 2020	School Committee Meeting @ 6:30
January 20, 2020	No school - Martin Luther King Day
January 21, 2020	No school - Professional Development Day for Staff
February 17-21, 2020	No school - Winter Vacation

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***In Webster...Kindness Matters,***

Ruthann Petruno-Goguen

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# TOWN MEETING

Please attend the Town Meeting on  
January 13th, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.  
at Bartlett High School

**Article 1** is for the  
Feasibility Study for Bartlett High School.

Town meeting is held in the Jacqueline D. Puliafico Auditorium at Bartlett High School.

Bartlett High School was built in 1979 and many core facility areas need replacement and improvements:

- ◆ Roof leaks
- ◆ Boilers and mechanical equipment are failing at an increasing rate
- ◆ Energy is being lost through windows and exterior doors
- ◆ Original plumbing is corroding

Bartlett High School learning spaces are antiquated:

- ◆ Lack of efficient and consistent heating and cooling systems, interferes with teaching and learning
- ◆ Hands-on learning in science classrooms is limited, lab spaces are outdated, and safety is a concern
- ◆ Classrooms are not designed for ideal learning environments.

**With a renovation project we can improve our future programming.**

Preparing students for college and career readiness is more complex than it was in 1979. The renovation of Bartlett High School will allow us to enhance both, the learning spaces and teaching approaches to ensure high levels of student engagement.

**Childcare will be provided by the Bartlett High School  
National Honor Society Students!**