



November 27, 2019 Newsletter

Superintendent Goguen

Upcoming Events

November 28th ~

100th Year Anniversary of Bartlett
High vs. Southbridge Thanksgiving
Day Game in Southbridge!

November 27th ~

½ Day of School

November 28th-29th ~

Thanksgiving Holiday – No School



Dear Students, Staff and Families,

I wish everyone a peaceful and enjoyable Thanksgiving Holiday. I hope the few days off from school provide everyone the opportunity to enjoy the company of family and friends and take pause to reflect upon what we are grateful for in our lives.

I continue to be grateful to the larger Webster Community for their ongoing support of our school district! Since the beginning of the school year, we have been blessed with ongoing support from our community. This is a short list of some of the wonderful generosity that exists in Webster!

- Mr. and Mrs. Fels generously donated funds to purchase new band uniforms
- Mapfre donated
 - a piano,
 - 3 display cases
 - assorted food items for our food pantry
 - clothes and holiday gifts
 - funding Boston Children Hospital Injury Specialist, Barbara Digirolamo's visits to PAE and WMS (this is the second year in row having these great programs in our schools!)
 - SAFETY APP- SEE at the end of the newsletter!
 - The Real Madrid Program (a non-competitive sports and goals oriented program for second language learners in grades 7-10 ~ starts in April 2020)
 - volunteers to work with the BHS National Honor Society students on re-modeling the Trading Post
 - volunteers for substitute teaching
- Webster Dudley Food Share supplies weekly food to our Food Pantry
- Webster Five donated school supplies to PAE
- Long Subaru donated backpacks, school supplies and reading books to PAE
- Curaleaf donated
 - funds to purchase Vape Sensors in BHS and WMS
 - funds to support our Show Choirs and Music Boosters
- Jill St. Cyr and the hundreds of donors supporting the *It Starts at Home Holiday Program* will be bringing over 100 students and families joy this season!

In Webster...Kindness Matters!

A Special Thank You to Mrs. Susan Dodd and her students for organizing for the Food Pantry at BHS! Here we are celebrating with a delicious luncheon!



An update from the Above and Beyond After-School Program at North Village

Students at North Village have been doing a thematic unit on pumpkins. They have studied planting, farming, goods and services, life cycle of a pumpkin. Mrs. LaBonte and Mrs. Gelineau have introduced non-standard and standard units of measurement and students did predictions about the weight, circumference, and height. They cut the pumpkins open to explore the inside and to sort/count seeds. They also bake the seeds!



100th Year Meet Between Bartlett Indians and Southbridge

On Thanksgiving Day, the Bartlett Indians will be playing Southbridge at 10:15 at McMahon Field in Southbridge. This marks the 100th game between Bartlett and Southbridge and we hope many of you are able to attend to cheer the Indians on!

Congratulations to the National Junior Honor Society Students at WMS

Christopher Agyeman
Jayden-James Dunston
Jibril Erraihani
Robert Fleck
Simon Greening
Riley Heenan
Carly Impey
Madisyn Kozlowski
Peter Lavache
Anna Lehtola
Leah Monti
Lawrence Austria

Kayla Nguyen
Vanessa Piwowarczyk
Lacey Sullivan
Gabrielle Zopatti
Faith Binney
Savannah Bjork
Wynter Cady
Hope Cooper
Colin Farragher
Taryn Gerber
Kira Gillette
Abigail Haynes
Ayden Heenan

Savannah Keegan
Natalee Kelly
Lexani Lewis
Jacob Morello
Leximee Phanthavong
Adam Phillips
Corey Scovil
Annika Staukhaus
Rafael Trivino
Adam Urato
Isabella Vasconcelos
Dakota Vaudreuil
Amelia White
Cayden Young

Congratulations to the National Honor Society Students at BHS

Class of 2020

Anna Asamoah
Wilson Aybar
Kelsey Connor
Sophia Gardner
Deanna Girard
Mason Lavache
Chaya Lipman-Tessicini
Mia Lipman-Tessicini
Edna Mbugua
Gabrielle Nelson

Class of 2020

Logan Paranto
Hannah Picchioni
Madison Piehler
Matthew Powers
James Ralph
Riley Stawiecki
Jacob Vosburg
Breanna Ward
Brittany Ward
Brooks Williams

Inductees - Class of 2020

Nathan Blythe
Alyjah Gagnon
Madison Hart
Michael Toner
Sean Stockhaus

Inductees - Class of 2021

Noah Azzaoui
Talya Binienda
Brandon Boucher
Jayden Cuellar

Inductees - Class of 2021

Alexander Delgado Casanova
Abigail Giguere
Emily Gjergo
Emma Hinchey
Kathryn James
Raven Lucero
Julie Mercer
Gabriela Piwowarczyk
Ryan Spitz
Hannah Sullivan
Ryan Truscott
Aaron Zalewski



Congratulations to the 31 students who earned the John and Abigail Scholarship

Anna Asamoah
 Wilson Aybar
 Nikki Bolton
 Benjaminh Brodeur
 Miles Clement
 Kelsey Connor
 Kyle Daab
 Camden DeSalvo
 Catherine Finamore
 Nadia Gaber
 Alyjah Gagnon
 Sophia Gardner
 Ford Jarmolowicz
 Dustin Laventure
 Chaya Lipman Tessicini
 Mia Lipman Tessicini

Igor Napoli
 Gabrielle Nelson
 Corey Neulieb
 Andy Nguyen
 Zachary Nicolella
 Clayton O'Connor
 Hannah Picchioni
 Madison Piehler
 Joseph Pierce
 Shaun Simons
 Elias Taborda
 Jacob Vosburg
 Breanna Ward
 Brittany Ward
 Brooks Williams



Please see flyers attached ~

Information on keeping their family safe providing tips on Child passenger safety and fire prevention at home It is a free app that can assist parents, grandparents, care givers, guardians!

Attached:

- Sobering Facts about teen substance use
- Safety in Seconds
- Fire Safety
- Car Seat Safety

**PAE ST Math Champions Amy Jordan, Pam Minarik
Jill Chapdelaine, and Dr. Goguen**



On December 3rd the following students will be recognized at the Honors Banquet at BHS

Asamoah, Anna
Azzaoui, Ahmed
Blythe, Nathan
Brodeur, Benjaminh
Connor, Kelsey
Gagnon, Alyjah
Gardner, Sophia
Hart, Madison
Komsin, Sasiwimon
Lavache, Mason
Lipman -Tessicini, Chaya
Lipman -Tessicini, Mia
Napoli, Igor
Nelson, Gabrielle
Nguyen, Andy
Paranto, Logan
Picchioni, Hannah
Peeler, Madison
Powers, Matthew
Ralph, James
Stawiecki, Riley
Stockhaus, Sean

Toner, Michael
Vosburg, Jacob
Ward, Breanna
Ward, Brittany
Aponte Torres,
Janichelle
Appiah-Danquah, Eriqa
Asante, Stacy
Beniquez Nieves,
Jetzairy
Corridori, Josephine
Etpison, Jolin
Gardner, Talia
Guinard, Helene
Heenan, Camden
Jones, Cassidy
Minarik, Colin
Napierata, Sofia
Nelligan, Samantha
Nuttall, Madison

Peets, Jessica
Tremblay, Samantha
Warchal, Amanda
Azzaoui, Noah
Giguere, Abigail
Hinchey, Emma
James, Kathryn
Lucero, Raven
Mayotte, Tristessa
Piwowarczyk, Gabriela
Rivas Arevalo, Juan
Somicu, Alexander
Spitz, Ryan
Sullivan, Hannah
Truscott, Ryan
VanDyke, Nicholas
Zalewski, Aaron

Matthew Pepin, graduated Bartlett High School in 2014, earned his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal justice in 2017 from Fitchburg State University and just completed The Cape Cod Municipal Police Academy on November 22, 2019. He will be strating his Police Career Monday in the Town of Sutton. His proud parents are Kathleen and Scott Pepin.



Congratulations to the BHS Drama Students on their wonderful performance of The Crucible!



Thanks to the DECA Club for providing the best snacks ever for the play!



Sobering Facts about teen substance use

- ✿ Marijuana use in adolescence may cause a loss of IQ.
- 🔥 Teens who use tobacco report poorer health outcomes than their nonsmoking peers.
- 🔥 More than 90% of adult smokers reported smoking before they were 18 years old.
- 🍷 Teen alcohol use is associated with a greater likelihood of adult alcohol dependence or addiction.
- ✿ Teens who use marijuana at or before the age of 14 are six times more likely to develop illicit drug dependence or use later in life than those who first try marijuana at age 18 or later (Meier et al., 2012; CDC, 2012; HHS, 2016).

Motivating Youth Recovery
508-860-1244

 UMass Memorial
Community Healthlink



The Park Avenue Elementary School Community Reading Day!



National Honor Society Students are re-modeling the Trading Post!



Upcoming Events

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| Nov. 28th-29th | Thanksgiving Break |
| Dec. 2nd | PAE PTO meeting at 6:00 p.m. |
| Dec. 3rd | PAE Picture Re-take |
| Dec. 3rd | BHS Honors Banquet at 6:00 p.m. |
| Dec. 4th | ½ day of school for students/ professional development day for teachers |
| Dec. 6th | PAE PTO Winter Literacy Night at 6:00 p.m. |
| Dec. 7th | Town of Webster Tree Lighting at 6:00 p.m. |
| Dec. 11th | SEPAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the District Offices |
| Dec. 12th | PAE Student of The Month Breakfast |
| Dec. 14th | Town of Webster Winter Wonderland 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. |
| Dec. 18th | WMS Winter Concert at 6:30 p.m. |
| Dec. 23rd- Jan. 1 | Winter break/ No school |
| Jan. 2nd | School resumes |
| Jan. 9th | ELL Parent Advisory Group meeting at 4:30 at the District Offices |

Webster Public Schools Special Education Parent Advisory Council Meetings for the 2019-2020 School Year

***All meetings will take place from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

***Meetings will take place at the Webster Middle School**

December 11, 2019

January 8, 2020

February 12, 2020

March 11, 2020

April 8, 2020

May 13, 2020

June 10, 2020

***Happy Thanksgiving to All!
In Webster...Kindness Matters!***

Ruthann Petruno Goguen, Ed.D.



Introducing the free **Safety in Seconds** app!

Injuries can happen in seconds! Take a few seconds
now to learn how to protect your family.



Safety
in seconds™

The Safety in Seconds app (SIS) can help to keep you and your family safe. Based on your answers to a few simple questions, SIS will give you safety tips designed just for you on two important topics:

- Child passenger safety
- Fire prevention at home

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Stay safe with
this SIS App



Download the app today!

FIRE SAFETY

Download the **Safety in Seconds** app and receive personalized safety tips for fire prevention. Simply choose which answers best fit your lifestyle and receive the right information to protect your family.

In just two minutes a fire can become life-threatening. In five minutes, a residence can be engulfed in flames.

Download the **Safety In Seconds** App in



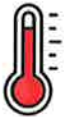
or



today!



Fire is FAST! In less than 30 seconds a small flame can turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for thick black smoke to fill a house or for it to be engulfed in flames.



Fire is HOT! Heat is more threatening than flames. Room temperatures in a fire can be 100 degrees at floor level and rise to 600 degrees at eye level. Inhaling this super-hot air will scorch your lungs and melt clothes to your skin.



Fire is DARK! Fire starts bright, but quickly produces black smoke and complete darkness.



Fire is DEADLY! Smoke and toxic gases kill more people than flames do. Fire produces poisonous gases that make you disoriented and drowsy. Asphyxiation is the leading cause of fire deaths, exceeding burns by a three-to-one ratio.



Create and Practice a Fire Escape Plan

- ✓ In the event of a fire, remember that every second counts, so you and your family must always be prepared. Escape plans help you get out of your home quickly.
- ✓ Twice each year, practice your home fire escape plan.



Smoke Detectors

- ✓ A working smoke alarm significantly increases your chances of surviving a deadly home fire.

PREVENTING A HOME FIRE:

COOKING

- Never put water on a grease fire
- Have a fire extinguisher handy
- Stay in the kitchen at all times when cooking
- Position grills at least 10 feet away from siding and deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches

SMOKING

- Smoke outside and completely put out butts in an ashtray or can filled with sand
- Soak cigarette butts and ashes in water before throwing them away
- Never smoke in a home where oxygen is used, even if it is turned off.
- Be alert! Don't smoke in bed and if you are sleepy, have been drinking or take medicine that makes you drowsy, put your cigarette out first.

ELECTRICAL AND APPLIANCE SAFETY

- Frayed wires can cause fires. Replace all worn, old or damaged appliance cords immediately and do not run cords under rugs or furniture.
- If an appliance has a three-prong plug, use it only in a three-slot outlet. Never force it to fit into a two-slot outlet or extension cord.
- Immediately shut off, then professionally replace, light switches that are hot to the touch and lights that flicker.

PORTABLE SPACE HEATERS

- Keep combustible objects at least three feet away from portable heating devices.
- Buy only heaters evaluated by a nationally recognized laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- Check to make the portable heater has a thermostat control mechanism, and will switch off automatically if the heater falls over

FIREPLACES AND WOOD STOVES

- Inspect and clean woodstove pipes and chimneys annually and check monthly for damage or obstructions.
- Use a fireplace screen heavy enough to stop rolling logs and big enough to cover the entire opening of the fireplace to catch flying sparks.
- Make sure the fire is completely out before leaving the house or going to bed.

CHILDREN

- Take the mystery out of fire play by teaching children that fire is a tool, not a toy.
- Store matches and lighters out of reach and sight, preferably in a locked cabinet.
- Never leave children unattended near operating stoves or burning candles, even for a short time.

Source: <https://www.ready.gov/home-fires>

CAR SEAT SAFETY

Download the **Safety in Seconds** app and receive personalized safety tips for car seat safety. Simply choose which answers best fit your lifestyle and receive the right information to protect your family.

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or



today!



Select a car seat based on your child's age and size, choose a seat that fits in your vehicle, and use it every time.

FIND THE RIGHT CAR SEAT

- As children grow, how they sit in your car will change. Make sure you use a car seat that fits your child's current size and age.
- The NHTSA has car seat recommendations based on varying ages and sizes
- Not all car seats fit all vehicles, make sure your seat is the right fit for your car.

INSTALL YOUR CAR SEAT CORRECTLY

- Understanding the parts and tips used for installation will help ensure a proper fit
- Follow the instruction guides for installation and get your car seat inspected at a station that offers this service before using the car seat

KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE IN A CAR SEAT

- Register your car seat and sign up for recall notices to receive safety updates

Types of Car Seats:

REAR FACING CAR SEAT

TYPES:

- **Infant car seat (rear-facing only)** – Designed for newborns and small babies
- **Convertible Seat** – As the child grows, this seat can change from rear facing to forward facing with a harness and tether for children of various sizes.
- **All-in-one Seat** – This seat can change from rear-facing to a forward facing seat and to a booster seat as the child grows.



FORWARD FACING CAR SEAT

TYPES:

- **Convertible Seat**
- **Combination Seat** – As the child grows, this seat transitions from a forward-facing seat with a harness and tether into a booster.
- **All-in-one Seat**



BOOSTER SEAT

TYPES:

- **Booster with high back** – This type of seat is designed to boost the child's height so the seat belt fits properly. It also provides neck and head support and is ideal for vehicles without head rests.
- **Backless booster Seat** – This seat does not provide head and neck support so it is ideal for vehicles that do have head rests.
- **Combination Seat**
- **All-in-one Seat**



SEATBELT

The seatbelt should lie across upper thighs and be snug across the shoulder and chest to restrain the child safely in a crash. It should not rest on the stomach area or across the neck and face.

CAR SEAT INSTALLATION

Your child's safety could be in jeopardy if the car seat is not installed correctly. Be sure to familiarize yourself with the vehicle and car seat parts, then follow the instructions to properly install the car seat. Getting the car seat inspected by a certified technician is free of charge and highly recommended.

Fitting your child correctly in the seat:

1. Properly position the harness on your child.
Rear-facing: Harness straps should lie flat, not twisted, and be placed through the slot that is at or below your child's shoulders.
Forward-facing: Harness straps should lie flat, not twisted, and be placed through the slot that is at or above your child's shoulders.
2. Buckle the harness and the chest clip and tighten.
3. The harness is snug enough when extra material cannot be pinched at the shoulder. Make sure the chest clip is at armpit level.

Learn more from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Source: <https://www.nhtsa.gov/equipment/car-seats-and-booster-seats#find-right-car-seat-process>