



Superintendent Goguen

January 4, 2019

Dear Students, Families and Staff,

Wishing everyone a safe, healthy, and happy New Year!

May 2019 bring forth continued prosperity and joy to our entire Webster Community!

We are grateful for the generosity of our local Community Heroes ...



1. Thank you to Liz Lahens for raising funds all year long to purchase holiday presents for every Webster Public School student. We are very grateful for Mrs. Lahens's passion to spread joy across our schools and thank her and the donors for bringing a smile to **1839** students!
2. Thank you to Mapfre employees for their holiday gifts for students and clothing donations to our school nurses offices! Each school received huge boxes of new and slightly used coats, jeans, shirts, gloves, hats, sneakers, shoes, and t-shirts!
3. Thank you to Lifesong Church for their donations of holiday gifts to our students at Park Avenue School!
4. Thank you to the Webster-Dudley Food Bank for donating food to our food closets at each school!
5. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Parmley for sharing their pony Tristan with all the students at Park Avenue Elementary School on the last day before the holiday break.
6. Thank you to our Students and Staff for their donations to our Giving Trees, Food Banks, and gifts to the Tri Valley Elder Services!

New Supports in the Webster Public Schools...



1. YOU. Inc. Therapists will soon be available in each of the schools. If you are interested in having your child/children see a YOU. Inc. Therapist, please contact your school's counselor to fill out the appropriate paperwork. YOU. Inc. will bill insurance companies directly.
2. We are partnering with the Webster-Dudley Food Share and are now able to send home food with students in need on the weekends.

Dates to Remember.....

1. January 8th ~ 6:30 p.m. ~ School Committee Meeting
2. January 8th ~ 6:00p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ~ The Tale of Our Ten Districts - A presentation on the impact of underfunding of the State's Foundation Budget @ Fitchburg State College, Kent Hall ~ **See attached flyer**
3. January 18th ~ 1:30 p.m. ~ Park Avenue Elementary School - Grade 2 Winter Concert - Kids for Peace
4. January 15th ~ Noon ~ North Village Community Center - ELL Parent Advisory Group Meeting. **See attached letter**
5. January 21st ~ No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
6. January 22nd ~ No School for Students - Professional Development Day
7. February 14th ~ 1:30 p.m. ~ Park Avenue Elementary School - Kindergarten Winter Concert - Share a Little Love

Thank you Mrs. Lahens



In Webster...Kindness Matters,
Ruthann Petruno-Goguen



THE TALE CONTINUES...

THE IMPACT ON THE UNDERFUNDING OF
THE STATE'S FOUNDATION BUDGET...

JANUARY 8, 2019

6PM – 8PM

MALDEN HIGH SCHOOL - SAUGUS, PEABODY, GLOUCESTER,
MEDFORD, WOBURN, WALTHAM, METHUEN, AMESBURY, MELROSE
AND SURROUNDING TOWNS.

FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY - WORCESTER, FRAMINGHAM,
FITCHBURG, LEOMINSTER, GARDNER, CLINTON, HUDSON, AYER-
SHIRLEY, WINCHENDON, ASHBURNHAM/WESTMINSTER, ATHOL AND
SURROUNDING TOWNS.

NEW BEDFORD KEITH MIDDLE SCHOOL- WAREHAM, BARNSTABLE,
DENNIS-YARMOUTH, FREETOWN-LAKEVILLE, MIDDLEBOROUGH,
DIGHTON-REHOBOTH, DARTMOUTH, FAIRHAVEN, BOURQUE,
CARVER, SOMERSET, SEEKONK, ATTLEBORO, RANDOLPH,
STOUGHTON, BRIDGEWATER, HOLBROOK
AND SURROUNDING TOWNS.

PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDING INFORMATION UPDATE

The Superintendents of Worcester,
Framingham, Fitchburg, Leominster,
Gardner, Clinton, Ayer-Shirley,
Ashburnham/Westminster,
Lunenburg, and Webster

INVITE YOU

to a community event to educate you on
the current state of the public education
funding formula and the need to update
the formula now!



**FITCHBURG STATE
UNIVERSITY**

PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDING INFORMATION UPDATE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019 ~ 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

**CONLON FINE ARTS CENTER – KENT RECITAL HALL
ON THE CAMPUS OF FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY
PARKING AVAILABLE ON NORTH STREET AND ROSS STREET.**

SNOW DATE - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019 ~ 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Public Education Funding Information Update Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 8. Snow Date: Wednesday, January 9
6-8 p.m.

Conlon Fine Arts Center – Kent Recital Hall – at Fitchburg State University

To bring attention to the financial cliff school systems statewide are fast approaching.

1. Welcome Stephen L. DiNatale, Mayor, City of Fitchburg

2. Speakers

• **Introduction:** Robert M. Jokela, Superintendent of Schools

• **Central MA Large Districts:** Worcester & Framingham- Brian Allen, CFO,
Worcester Public Schools

• **North Central MA Large Districts:** Fitchburg & Leominster

• **North Central MA Small Districts:** Clinton, Gardner, Webster

• **North Central MA Regional School Districts:** Ashburnham-Westminster & Ayer-
Shirley

3. Questions

4. Closing

3. Adjournment



WEBSTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE - FILMER SCHOOL

January 2, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians of English Language Learners,

Good Day and Happy New Year!

Our first meeting of the Webster Public Schools ELL Parent Advisory Council took place in November 2018. The meeting was attended by several parents and school administration. We established regular follow up meetings so that we can obtain your input for our program.

The purpose of this council is to provide parents with an opportunity to provide input to the school district as well as for the school district to increase parent involvement in our program. We are excited to offer this opportunity for you to meet with us and share your concerns, ideas, and feedback regarding how we can improve the delivery of services to our students who are second language learners.

We will be holding our next meeting on **Tuesday, January 15, 2019** at the Community Center at North Village. The meeting will be **from 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.** We hope to have many of you join us! We will have ELL teachers from the district attending and providing an overview of services for students.

Our other meetings for the year will be held on **Wednesday, February 27, 2019, Wednesday, March 27, 2019** and **Wednesday, May 22, 2019.** Reminders will be sent to you prior to these meeting dates.

We look forward to meeting you and for your participation in our program!

Sincerely Yours,

Ruthann Petrino-Goguen, M. Ed., Superintendent

Kathleen Baris, MA, CAGS, Director of Student Support Services

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