

# Woodbridge Board of Education Recognized by Commissioner of Education Charlene M. Russell-Tucker on their achievement of the *CABE Board Leadership Award* at the CABE / CAPSS Convention on November 17, 2023

CABE believes that Boards of Education and Superintendents which exhibit the most effective leadership are characterized by their ability to work together as “teams” and recognize the critical importance of a strong partnership between every Board of Education and its Superintendent of Schools. The Board of Education and Superintendent must view themselves and function as the school district’s Leadership Team. To that end, the Leadership Team must share and enthusiastically advocate the same goals and a vision of learning that sets high performance expectations for the entire school community.

While the Board of Education and Superintendent have different roles and responsibilities, their work must complement each other. Ultimately, all serve to advance the goals and objectives of their community for public education and, most importantly, student learning. The *CABE Board Recognition Awards* are designed to recognize Boards that work effectively in this manner. In order to qualify, Boards of Education must fulfill 22 out of 34 criteria, including a minimum of three in each of the following areas,

- Board Leadership/Student Achievement
- Board Member Professional Development
- Policy
- Community Relations
- Related Organizational Leadership



Pictured are Sarah Beth Del Prete, WBOE Secretary; Brooke Hopkins, WBOE Chair Lynn Piascyk, Superintendent Vonda Tencza, Commissioner Tucker, WBOE Vice Chair Maria Madonick and Steven Lawrence.