SHRHS is preparing for its Decennial Accreditation visit in October 2027, which will begin with a two-day Collaborative Conference Visit by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) in October 2025. This is an incredibly valuable process that begins this school year. NEASC's Collaborative Conference Visit is a new step in the accreditation process. I am proud of the work of the SHRHS staff and have complete confidence in Principal Elwell to oversee the high school's efforts to meet the Standards for Accreditation.

Once again, the Dudley-Charlton RSD has been selected to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). Last year, Dudley Middle School and Heritage Elementary School participated. This year, Dudley Elementary's 4th grade and SHRHS's 12th grade have been preliminarily selected. What is different this year is that the final selection process will not occur until all Massachusetts schools that were preliminarily selected complete a Technology Survey. If Dudley Elementary and/or SHRHS are chosen, the testing window will be from January 27, 2025, through March 7, 2025.

The Charlton Recreation Commission held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on August 10, 2024, at Charlton Middle School to showcase the completion of Adam Rydlak's Eagle Scout project, which involved creating a pickleball court and upgrading the tennis court for the Charlton community and Charlton Middle School. Special thanks go to Amazon, Sue and Peter Maly, Charlton Middle School Principal Stacy Monette, and others who supported Adam's Eagle Scout project.

The DCRSD administrative team has been working closely with Ms. Linda Johnson and Ms. Samantha Suss from MAPFRE Insurance to coordinate a MAPFRE Give Back project this fall. As a result, the plan is for MAPFRE volunteers to refresh the Mason Road Playground. We greatly appreciate this collaboration with MAPFRE and their support of the Dudley-Charlton RSD.

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