

Kaytie Dowcett Appointed Managing Director for Before/After School Time For Medford Public Schools



MEDFORD- Medford Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Suzanne B. Galusi has named Kaytie Dowcett as the district's Managing Director for Before/After School Programming.

Dowcett possesses over 20 years experience working in youth development, educational settings and team leadership. She began her career in 2002 managing out-of-school (OST) programs for middle school students in Boston Public Schools before transitioning to the classroom as a Reading & English Language Arts Teacher. She later spent seven years as the Executive Director for Waltham Partnership

for Youth, leading operations, staffing, communications and a portfolio of OST programming focused on enrichment and student engagement. She joins Medford from Waltham Public Schools after overseeing grants and serving on the district's equity team since 2024.

"I am thrilled to be joining Medford Public Schools as Managing Director of Before/After School Programming," said Dowcett. "I began my career in out-of-school-time programming, so it is especially meaningful to join a district that recognizes the powerful role these experiences play in helping young people learn, grow, and thrive. Throughout the hiring process, I was struck by Medford's commitment to relationships, belonging, and continuous improvement, and I look forward to partnering with students, families, staff, and community organizations to build on that strong foundation."

In her Managing Director role, Dowcett will inspire a clear, student-centered vision for Medford's before/after school programming. She will lead the development and implementation of age-appropriate curricula and enrichment aligned to MPS learning objectives and core values. Dowcett will also collaborate daily with school Site Directors to provide oversight, coaching, performance evaluation, and corrective action as needed to all OST staff members.

Dowcett holds a Master of Public Policy degree from Brandeis University and a Master of Education degree from Harvard. She currently resides in Middlesex county with her husband Alex.