



WESTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Colleagues and WPS Families:

I am pleased to announce that Susan Maselli, currently the K-12 Administrator for Pupil Personnel Services for the Milton Public Schools, will be joining the Westwood Public Schools as Director of Student Services starting in July. Sue is an experienced district-level administrator whose commitment to student-centered decision-making, knowledge of special education law, familiarity with managing a special education budget, track record of engaging with families, willingness to make programmatic changes that support equity, and understanding of the challenges faced by teachers were evident throughout the search process. I am certain that Sue will not only help keep the Westwood Public Schools on track during this time of transition, but will also assist the district with its efforts to grow and improve.

It is rare to go through a search process and emerge with three candidates who have so much to offer. We would have been lucky to hire any one of the finalists. The fact that even during this challenging time in schools, educators continue to seek out leadership opportunities here in Westwood is a testament to the excellent reputation built by our student services staff, department heads and Abby Hanscom (our current Director of Student Services) as well as to the tremendous support provided by the community.

Special thanks to the interview team volunteers as well as all of the students, staff and parents who participated in the process. Your input was helpful and appreciated.

Sue will be visiting the district in the months ahead in order to ensure a smooth transition for students, families and educators, and she looks forward to meeting members of the community. We will be in touch to share information about opportunities to connect with her.

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