



Massachusetts Safe Routes to School Awards Ceremony

Live Zoom Event
June 8, 2020



Schedule of Events

10:00 AM

Opening Remarks and Year in Review

Cassandra Gascon Bligh, SRTS Program Coordinator, MassDOT

Keynote Speaker

Stephanie Pollack, Secretary & CEO, MassDOT

School Partner Remarks

Dan Costello, Principal of Leadership and Operations,
Fowler School, Maynard

Municipal Partner Remarks

Milagros Puella, P.E., Acting Water and Sewer Commissioner
(Former City Engineer), City of Lawrence

Partner Agency Remarks

Becky Bash, Senior Planner,
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, Springfield

10:45 AM

Partner Recognition

Honor Roll Awards Presentation:

Exemplary Program by Region:

- ★ Western
- ★ Central
- ★ Northeast
- ★ Southeast

Community Collaboration

Nikki Tishler Award



Partner Level

The following partner schools have gone the extra mile in documenting their 2019 – 2020 accomplishments thereby qualifying for individual partner level awards. Levels are determined via the completion of various tasks, each with a designated point value, throughout the school year and culminating in a Gold, Silver, Bronze, or Basic Level achievement.

Gold Partners

Alfred S. Letourneau Elementary School	Manchester Memorial Elementary School
Arthur D. Healey School	Maria Hastings Elementary
Benjamin G. Brown School	Mary L. Fonseca Elementary School
Blueberry Hill Elementary School	Mason-Rice Elementary School
Bournedale Elementary School	Morgan Full Service Community School
Brayton Elementary School	Mulready Elementary School
Bridge Elementary	Muraco Elementary
Center School-Longmeadow	Nathaniel Morton Elementary
Clarksburg School	Old Mill Pond Elementary
Colegrove Park Elementary School	Provincetown Schools
Dr. Albert F. Argenziano School	Roberta G. Doering School
East Somerville Community School	Roberts Elementary School
Florence Sawyer School	South Street Elementary School
Fowler School	Walter J. Paton School
Fred Miller Elementary School	West Somerville Neighborhood School
Greylock Elementary School	William Diamond Middle School
Hannah Elementary School	William N. Berry Elementary School
John F. Kennedy School	Winter Hill Community Innovation School
John Glenn Middle School	Wolf Swamp Road Elementary School
Joseph Estabrook Elementary	Zervas Elementary School
Lee Elementary School	
Lt. Eleazer Davis Elementary	
Lt. Job Lane Elementary School	

Basic Partners

Baldwin School
Deerfield Elementary
Fletcher Maynard Academy
Foster Elementary School
Hansen Elementary School
Hillcrest Elementary School
J.F. Kennedy Elementary School
Jefferson Elementary School
John A. Crisafulli Elementary School
Monomoy Middle School
Norman E. Day School
Rita Edwards Miller School

Silver Partners

Albert S. Woodward Memorial School	Ipswich Middle School
Amigos School	Johnny Appleseed Elementary School
Armstrong Elementary School	Johnson Elementary
Barnstable West Barnstable Elementary	Joyce Kilmer School
Bourne Intermediate School	Lincoln Elementary
Bridge Street School	Marguerite E. Small Elementary School
Burgess Elementary School	Mary O. Pottenger School
Chatham Elementary School	McCall Middle School
Curley School	Pierce School
Cyrus E. Dallin School	Quinn Middle School
David A. Ellis Elementary School	Rebecca M. Johnson Elementary School
Edith C. Baker School	Reingold Elementary School
Edward F. Parthum Elementary School	Robinson Park Elementary School
Edward F. Parthum Middle School	Roger Clap Elementary School
Farley Elementary School	Salisbury Elementary School
Fiske Elementary	Shaker Lane School
Forest Ave. Elementary	Sheffield Elementary School
Forestdale School	Teaticket Elementary School
Gibbons Elementary School	Tucker Elementary School
Glover Elementary School	Vinson-Owen School
Harrington School	Westminster Elementary School
Harwich Elementary School	Winthrop School
Hubbardston Center School	

Bronze Partners

Abbot Elementary School	John J. Stefanik School
Alice A. Macomber Primary School	John R. Briggs Elementary School
Amos A. Lawrence School	Jonas Clarke Middle School
Ayers-Ryal Side School	Josiah Quincy Elementary School
Barry Elementary	Kittredge Elementary School
Bates Elementary School	Lambert-Lavoie Elementary
Beethoven Elementary School	Litwin School
Belcher Elementary	Lynn Woods School
Bellamy Middle School	M. Norcross Stratton Elementary School
Belmont Street Community School	Mary E. Finn Elementary School
Bowe Elementary School	Mary Lee Burbank School
Bowie Elementary	Mather Elementary School
Broadmeadow Elementary School	Meetinghouse Elementary School
Cambridgeport School	Michael Driscoll School
Center School-Peabody	Mildred Avenue K-8 School
Centerville Elementary School	Mill Pond School
Chicopee Academy	Newton School
Clinton Elementary School	North Beverly Elementary School
Collicot Elementary School	Oak Ridge School
Cove Elementary School	Old Rochester Jr. High School
Cunniff Elementary School	Pakachoag Elementary School
Cunningham Elementary School	Patrick Lyndon Pilot School
Dawe Elementary School	Paul F. Doyon Memorial School
Dupont Middle School	Peabody School
Elizabeth Pole School	Pierce Elementary School
Fairview Elementary School	Powder Mill School
Fales Elementary School	Raymond C. Richer Elementary
Graham and Parks School	Runkle School
Green Meadow Elementary School	Sewell-Anderson School
Greenfield Middle	South Elementary School-Hingham
Greenlodge Elementary School	South Elementary School-Stoughton
Haggerty School	South Row Elementary School
Hastings Elementary School	Sunderland Elementary
Haynes Early Education Center	Thomas M. Balliet School
Hedge Elementary	Tracy Elementary School
Henry L. Higginson School	Upham Elementary School
Herbert Clark Hoover	Westport Elementary School
Higginson-Lewis School	Williamstown Elementary School
Homer Street School	Winn Brook School
Hugh Scott Streiber School	Winship Elementary School
Israel Loring Elementary School	Woodland Academy
James Russell Lowell Elementary School	Woodland School



Exemplary Programs by Region

Awarded to schools that set a great example by crafting a new or existing Safe Routes to School Program through innovation, creativity, and engagement.

★ Western

Winner: **Lee Elementary School, Lee**

Honorable Mention: **Clarksburg School, Clarksburg**

★ Central

Winner: **Roberts Elementary School, Medford**

Honorable Mention: **Miller Elementary School, Holliston**

★ Northeast

Winner: **Parthum Elementary and Middle Schools, Lawrence**

Honorable Mention: **Roger Clap Elementary School, Dorchester**

★ Southeast

Winner: **Nathaniel Morton Elementary School, Plymouth**

Honorable Mention: **Marguerite E. Small Elementary School, Yarmouth**

Community Collaboration

Awarded to an Alliance Partner organization that strongly demonstrated the importance of collaborating among schools and community stakeholders, and furthered the mission of Safe Routes to School.

Winner: **Shape Up Somerville**

Honorable Mention: **Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission**

Nikki Tishler Memorial Award



Awarded to an individual who served as a true champion of Safe Routes to School over the past school year, making the extra effort to ensure a successful program in his or her community.

In 2018, the Safe Routes to School Superhero Award was retired in Nikki's honor and presented to her family to celebrate her life and work with MassDOT. Nikki was the Coordinator of MassDOT's Safe Routes to School Program and a liaison to three of the Commonwealth's Metropolitan Planning Organizations.

Throughout her life, Nikki brought the same passion to her endeavors outside of the office as she did to her responsibilities at MassDOT. She was a fierce advocate for social justice; a volunteer for a suicide prevention hotline; a warm, thoughtful, and caring person; and a wonderful friend and colleague.

In the words of one coworker, "Nikki had the innate ability to promote social wellness, which she was a living example of. Her closest colleagues benefited both professionally and personally from her contagious positivity."

Winner: **Emily Schiavoni, North Adams Public Schools**