

School Department



School Committee: Student Representative Katharine Odjakjian; John D. Alessandro Jr., Kate D. Brody, Chair, Patrick A. Guida, and Robert E. Shea Jr., Vice Chair

Achievement / Recognition

Barrington Public Schools is proud of the accomplishments in the areas of academics, athletics, extra curricula clubs and organizations. In 2015, Barrington has been recognized for four top achievements:

- Nayatt Elementary School was named a 2015 National Blue Ribbon School.
- Barrington High School was selected as the top public high school in Rhode Island as reported in the September, 2015 issue of Rhode Island Monthly Magazine.
- Barrington High School students excelled globally on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Assessment.
- Barrington Middle School was recognized with a Spotlight Award by the New England League of Middle Schools, one of only three middle schools in Rhode Island, and one of 34 middle schools in New England.

Barrington Middle School Building Project

The contract with Kaestle Boos Associates, the architectural firm selected for the Barrington Middle School Building Project was approved by the School Committee in November, 2015. A Stage I, RI Department of Education construction application has been submitted on October 27, 2015. The Stage II application is scheduled to be submitted by March, 2016. If approved the Town of Barrington could be eligible for 35% State reimbursement for this project. A tentative timeline and updates for the Barrington Middle School Project is available on the Building Committee section of the Barrington Public Schools website.

School Resource Officer (SRO) at Barrington High School

The Barrington Public Schools, in collaboration with the Town, appointed Officer Josh Melo as the school district's SRO. Officer Melo will be a resource for our students, our staff and the parents of our community. He will serve an important role as a liaison between the police department and teachers, school officials, and students to assure open communication exists to help solve any problems in the schools and community affecting young people.

Technology 1:1 in Barrington Public Schools

We are on our way to unprecedented access to technology in our schools. In August 2015, 1,030 Chromebooks were distributed to Barrington High School students – one for every student. Barrington Middle School has one Chromebook cart per cluster, one cart for world language instruction, and Chromebooks for interventions. Continuation of our plan includes annually funding of 1:1 in grades 5 and 9. In FY17 and FY18 we also plan to redistribute Chromebooks of graduating seniors to students in grade 7 allowing us to complete 1:1 in grades 5-12 at the start of FY18. Elementary ramp up also begins in FY17.