Dear School Community:

I am pleased to announce that Mr. Jonathan Bourn will be Abington High School’s Interim Principal when we return to school next year.

Mr. Bourn earned a Bachelor of Arts in History from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA. He continued his education at Boston College where he earned a master’s degree in Education, Curriculum and Instruction. He also completed the Educational Leadership Program at Bridgewater State University and Bryant University’s Senior Certificate Program in Society for Human Resource Management.

Mr. Bourn was Abington High School’s Assistant Principal from 2006 through 2010. He left Abington to become the Assistant Principal/Acting Principal (2010-2015) at Needham High School. He was the Principal at Norwood High School for three years (2015-2018). While Principal in Norwood, he compiled and presented annual budgets to the school committee, created master schedules in the Aspen student information system, revised and reorganized student handbooks and program of studies, supervised and evaluated professional staff using the standards and indicators established by the Massachusetts Department of Secondary and Elementary Education Teacher Rubric, and worked with department chairs, faculty senate and school council to created Norwood High School’s Homework Philosophy and Guidelines as well as revise the Attendance and Cell Phone procedures. Mr. Bourn was the Interim Principal at Hudson High School (2018-2019) where he chaired various committees including the Instructional Leadership Team, NEASC Collaborative Conference at Leominister High School, served on the NEASC Collaborative Conference at Burncoat High School in Worcester; developed a draft of Hudson High School’s Vision of the Graduate in preparation for the 2020 NEASC accreditation visit; led ALICE School Safety drills with Hudson school staff as an ALICE certified trainer; developed Hudson High School’s academic focus area of Perseverance, created School Improvement Plans; collaborated with BRYT and special education staff to implement the Bridge transition program. This past year, he completed a human resources internship in the Needham Public Schools where he created branding and recruitment strategies to assist Needham’s 2020 hiring objectives as well as created marketing and branding strategies with social media and job posting platforms.

In the coming months, he will be working on his entry and transition to Abington. I am excited that we are able to welcome Jonathan Bourn back.

Sincerely,

Peter Schafer
Superintendent of Schools