

## RAISING THE BAR

2009 - 2014



### **Strategic Vision, Mission, and Goals For the Canton Public Schools**

Five years ago, a strategic planning committee comprised of parents, staff, the community members, school administrators, and elected officials presented the Canton Board of Education with its first strategic plan for the Canton schools called "Raising the Bar." The Canton Board of Education adopted this plan in 2005 and has been implementing it through goal-setting, program development and evaluation, budgeting, and so on ever since then. The purpose of the plan was to create a set of guidelines for decision making that engaged all members of the school community as partners. Its goal was ensuring an outstanding educational experience for all students in the Canton School District.

A strategic plan is a living document; and to check the timeliness and efficacy of such a plan, it must be reviewed periodically. In March 2009, the Canton Board of Education again embarked on a strategic planning process to build upon the direction and accomplishments of 2005's "Raising the Bar." For example, five years ago, there had been a major focus on implementing more rigorous and relevant programs. Today, a major focus is on communicating to the public the accomplishments of the Canton Public Schools, especially with regard to the rigorous and relevant programs that evolved.

In order to remain relevant to the ongoing and future needs of the school community, the strategic document will *always* be a work in progress; but the Board of Education and Superintendent Kevin Case are proud to publish the 2009 – 2014 "Raising the Bar."

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