



Gates Principal Ryan Beattie Named Massachusetts Middle School Principal of the Year

Dear Scituate Families,

It is a great honor to share that Ryan Beattie, Principal of Gates Middle School, has been named the 2025 Massachusetts Middle School Principal of the Year by the Massachusetts School Administrators' Association (MSAA).

Principal Beattie is a thoughtful, empathetic, smart, visionary, and inclusive leader we are so fortunate to have in Scituate. What I find most impressive is that he genuinely cares deeply about the well-being of each and every student and staff member he leads. This award also reflects the dedication of the entire Gates staff and their outstanding work with our students. As superintendent, I could not be prouder.

The MSAA Selection Committee commended Principal Beattie as an instructional leader, forward thinker and team player who “came across in a most articulate and humble manner.”

Principal Beattie is beloved by our school community. Here are just a few well-deserved words of praise:

Scituate School Committee Chair Nicole Brandolini shared “*Scituate is incredibly lucky to have Ryan Beattie leading our middle school. He is always welcoming with a calm and gracious demeanor. He is a mentor, a motivator, and a steady guide through the most transformative years of a student’s journey, shaping a school where curiosity, character, and confidence can thrive.*”

A Gates teacher praised Principal Beattie as “*one of the most approachable leaders I have ever worked with. Never too busy for a teacher, student, or parent—everyone feels comfortable reaching out to him, which is a pinnacle feature of his effective leadership. As a resident of Scituate, I repeatedly hear how much the students and families love Mr. Beattie!*”

Please join me and the Scituate School Committee in celebrating Principal Beattie’s accomplishment at the April 7, 2025 School Committee meeting at 6:00 PM in person or virtually. We encourage you to share shout outs for Principal Beattie during public comment. Principal Beattie will be recognized formally by his peers at the annual MSAA Leadership Institute conference in July.

To learn more about this wonderful honor, please [visit the MSAA website](#).

Congratulations, Principal Beattie—we appreciate all that you do for our community and thrilled to see your efforts recognized in this tremendous way!

William Burkhead, Superintendent