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Acton-Boxborough Student Activities Fund (ABSAF) Receives \$50,000 from Middlesex Savings Bank

Gift will be used to support extracurricular activities at Acton-Boxborough Regional High School and RJ Grey Junior High

Acton, Mass., January 23, 2018 – The Acton-Boxborough Student Activities Fund (ABSAF) today announced it received a \$50,000 gift from Middlesex Savings Bank. The support will allow ABSAF to make a substantial financial donation to the Acton-Boxborough School District in support of extracurricular activities at Acton-Boxborough Regional High School (ABRHS) and R.J. Grey Junior High (RJG).

The generous donation from Middlesex Savings Bank will help support quality extracurricular activities for the students of ABRHS and RJG which provide a healthy outlet for our students. ABSAF contributions support the athletic teams (Jr. High to Varsity), the academic teams (Math Team, Science Team, Speech and Debate Team and Academic Decathlon Team), performing arts groups (band, chorus, and theater) and community service.

"The ABSAF board is beyond thrilled to receive such a generous donation from Middlesex Savings Bank." said Linda Ahern, President, ABSAF. "Middlesex Savings bank has been a long time supporter and we are appreciative that they recognize the importance of ABSAF. This donation will certainly have a significant impact on our community by supporting extracurricular activities at our high school and junior high."

ABSAF's mission is to raise funds to support extracurricular activities which helps to reduce student activities fees. The members of ABSAF believe that extracurricular activities help to develop well-rounded children with healthy self-esteem. Whether students are involved in music, sports, academic teams, theater or community service, every student should have the opportunity to participate in programs that provide constructive and creative outlets.

"Middlesex Savings Bank has great respect for the education foundations in our community," said Michael McAuliffe, President and CEO of Middlesex Savings Bank. "They work hard to support projects and programs that foster learning and creativity. We hope these donations will make their jobs easier this year and are excited to see their existing academic programs flourish or new ones come to life."

About Acton-Boxborough Student Activities Fund (ABSAF)

ABSAF is a non-profit organization that is comprised of adult board members from the Acton-Boxborough community and student board members from the high school. The mission of ABSAF is to raise funds each year to support extracurricular activities at the Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools. ABSAF helps reduce the costs of student activities fees at the high school and junior high by providing financial support to the athletic teams, academic teams and the performing arts. ABSAF members fundraise at school events, conduct an annual mail campaign, and a student-run phonathon. Since it's inception in 1981, ABSAF has received tremendous support from the community members and has donated well over \$1,000,000 to Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools. The members of ABSAF believe that extracurricular activities are vital in developing well-rounded children and provide a way for students to feel connected to both peers and the school. For more information, please visit www.absaf.net.



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