April 17, 2012

Soon we will be conducting our commencement exercises and your son or daughter will be graduating from Acton-Boxborough Regional High School. Congratulations! This is obviously a momentous occasion deserving of great celebration. However, given the celebratory nature of senior spring, we want to take a moment to clarify some of our expectations and to seek your cooperation so that we can ensure our students' safety.

As you may know, the last months of high school have historically been an exciting, yet dangerous, time for seniors. With post-secondary program acceptances in hand and many of the requirements of high school met, seniors can come to see themselves as invincible. As a school, we have reminded them repeatedly of the significance of making good choices and staying safe; most particularly, we emphasize the importance of abstaining from alcohol and drugs and of making responsible decisions when driving. Please know that students found to be in possession of or under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances during school or at school-sponsored events will be suspended from school. As we have explained to the students, anyone suspended for this or any other Student Handbook violation will be prohibited from attending or representing the school at extracurricular functions and senior activities and may be excluded from graduation.

On another note, knowing that this is a very exciting time for all of us and that the hectic pace can cause communications to break down, we are providing you with a schedule of upcoming events which will also be handed out to all seniors at their upcoming class meeting. Information is also available on our website: ab.mec.edu/abrhs, simply go to the quick links and select “Seniors” where you will find information that will be updated regularly. We hope it will be helpful in your planning.

On behalf of the faculty, staff and administration, I want to thank you for your support. I hope to see you all at graduation.

Sincerely,

Alix Calen, Ed.D.
Principal