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Dear Board Members,

I am very pleased to report that the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) recently notified the district that the Rocky Hill Board of Education has earned a **CABE Board Leadership Award for 2021**. The award program has been in existence since 1988 and serves to identify and recognize outstanding leadership provided by local boards of education throughout Connecticut.

Under the steadfast leadership of our chair, Mr. Brian A. Dillon, and our other board members, Rocky Hill received this award for the Board's record of excellence with respect to the following criteria:

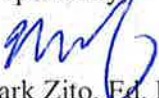
- board leadership/student achievement
- board member professional development
- policy
- community relations
- related organizational leadership
- civility
- promoting student voice

In addition to congratulating our Board of Education for its exemplary work, I also want to thank Assistant Superintendent Darlene Listro for her efforts to complete and submit the application for the award on the Board's behalf. Below, I have provided the summary statement that was submitted with our application to highlight some of the Board's accomplishments in recent years:

"Under the leadership of the Board of Education, the school district has consistently performed at the top of our district reference group (DRG D) with respect to student achievement as measured by SBAC, NGSS, and high school AP results. In addition, the Board has placed a strong and concerted effort on the importance of maintaining outstanding facilities - with Rocky Hill High School completely renovated in 2017 and the construction of a new intermediate school, Moser, which received recognition in 2020 from American School and University Magazine in the competitive category of "outstanding design." By consistently placing the needs of our students as its highest priority, the Board of Education has earned the respect of the greater Rocky Hill community as well as staff members throughout the school district."

In closing, I want to thank the Board of Education for its efforts to promote public education in Rocky Hill, particularly during the tumultuous period of the last two years when the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted nearly every aspect of daily life. The **CABE Board Leadership** is certainly well deserved, and it serves to underscore the unwavering commitment that the Board of Education has made to our community and its children.

Respectfully,


Mark Zito, Ed. D
Superintendent of Schools