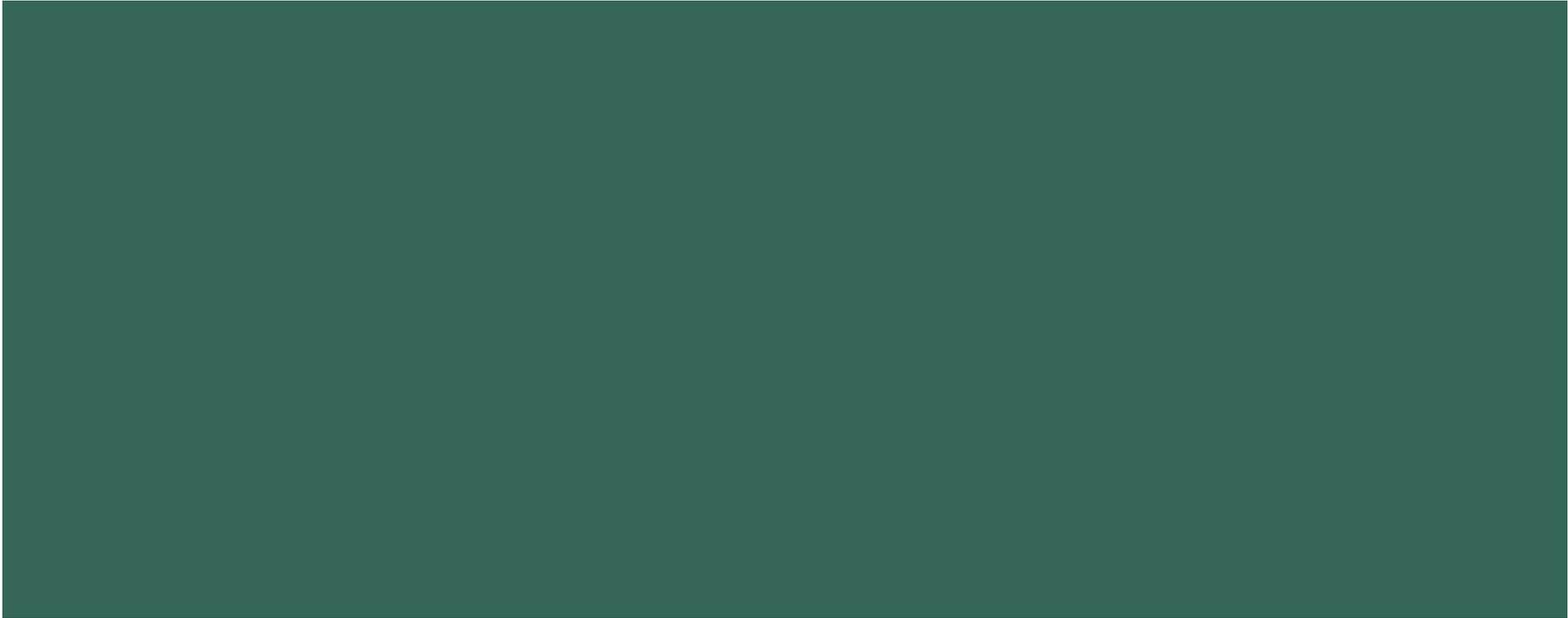




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## ■ **Around the District**

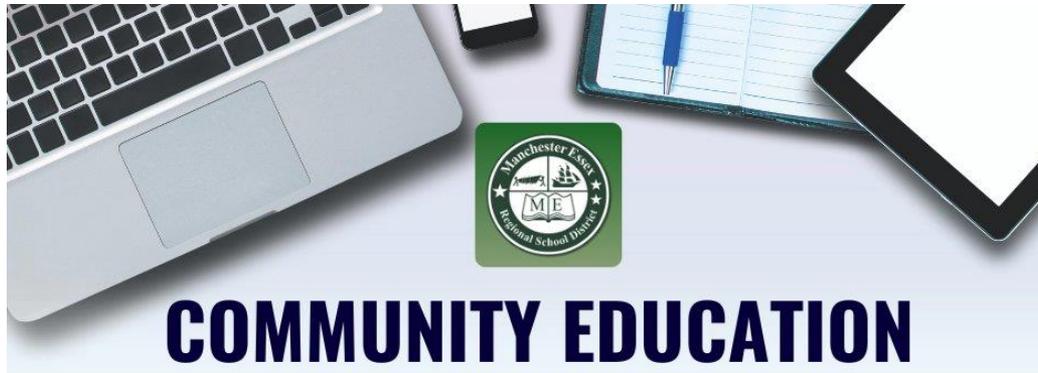
- Busing Challenges Persist
- Leadership Team – Observing & Analyzing Teaching
- Reviewing Phone Policy Alignment K-12
- MHS Scheduling Alignment Study Continues
- Library Task Force Kick-Off Meeting 11/20



## Acknowledgements

- **MERHS** has earned the 2024 Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) District 5 Sportsmanship Award
- **Allison Collins & Michelle Cresta**
  - DESE Special Education Workshop for New Special Education Directors
    - *Best Practices in Special Education Finance*

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## **COMMUNITY EDUCATION DIGITAL WELLNESS SERIES**

**Facilitated by Kerry Gallagher, JD, Education Director of  
ConnectSafely.org and Assistant Principal at St. John's Prep**

**Session #1: A Foundation for Healthier Tech Use  
November 14, 6:00pm  
MS/HS Learning Commons**

**Appropriate for families at all levels**

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## Assessment Overview – Big Picture Take Aways

- The overall state of the schools is strong; however, there are two key areas where we need to improve outcomes:
  - Student achievement within the High Needs subgroup.
  - Relevancy of learning for students.
- District and school improvement plans offer a clear path to address these growth areas.
  - Student Achievement: Key initiatives include updating our intervention delivery model, training in universal design for learning and understanding by design, embedding professional development, aligning with standards, and ensuring coherence across grade levels.
  - Student Engagement: Key priorities include student engagement by creating authentic, student-centered learning environments and integrating social-emotional learning into daily activities, promoting creativity and real-world connections through expanded arts programs and community partnerships, and helping students find relevance and value in their education.