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Smola, Berthiaume and Gobi Announce \$20K Awarded to the Quaboag Regional School District

BOSTON – Representative Todd M. Smola (R-Warren), Representative Donald R. Berthiaume (R-Spencer) and Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) are pleased to announce that the Quaboag Regional School District has been selected to receive an Alternative Education State Grant: Education Pathways to Support Students Most At-Risk of Not Graduating from High School. This competitive grant will provide \$20,000 in funding for the Quaboag District.

"Once again, Quaboag has demonstrated a remarkable ability to attain a competitive grant award to help students and the school district," said Representative Smola. "This grant is a product of the exceptional work being done by the Quaboag School District under the leadership of Superintendent Kustigian and his team."

"Congratulations to The Quaboag Regional School District and Superintendent Brett Kustigian," Representative Berthiaume said. "Quaboag has long been an innovator in education and this Grant will only continue that trend"

"The Quaboag School District is committed to providing a quality education to all students regardless of individual difficulties and situations. This grant is an affirmation of that commitment and will provide another pathway to success," said Senator Gobi.

The alternative education grant program was established to help schools with the development of alternative education programs and services for students suspended or expelled from school. These programs range from hiring behavioral specialists to funding in-school suspension rooms and crisis centers.

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