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**Andrew J. Bott**  
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Dear Brookline Families, Educators, and Community Members,

In yesterday's annual town election, the Brookline community voted against funding the Baldwin School and Driscoll School Building Projects. While I am disappointed that the projects will not move forward at this time, the Public Schools of Brookline remains committed to our mission to provide an extraordinary education for every child.

There are challenges and hard decisions ahead which we will need to face together. Our K-8 schools will continue to have large class sizes. Programs may need to move. Without significant renovation or expansion in our district, our schools will continue to be overcapacity and our students and staff will continue to deal with compromised learning spaces and crowded common areas.

The success of our district is a team effort. Now, more than ever, we must work together to solve the enduring challenges of our K-8 schools. Based on the persistence and dedication I have seen in our staff, students, and families, I believe that we are more than capable of solving these challenges.

It is too soon to know what the next steps will be to solve our enrollment challenges. Deciding what's next regarding the overcrowding in Brookline's public schools will be up to elected officials and Town Meeting. I do know that every day, educators throughout the Public Schools of Brookline will work tirelessly to support your children, families, and this community in making our schools the best they can be.

My goal is to create a more equitable and enriching educational experience for all of our children, and I look forward to continuing that work with the Brookline community.

Sincerely,

Andrew J. Bott  
Superintendent