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Dear Lawrence School Families and Staff,

It is with great pleasure that I announce Monica Crowley's appointment as Principal of the Amos A. Lawrence School. Mrs. Crowley started her career in Brookline as vice principal at Lawrence, serving in that role from 2008 through 2014. Mrs. Crowley then served as Principal at the Upper Devotion School from 2014 through 2018. This year, she returned to Lawrence as interim principal. Mrs. Crowley's deep and strong ties with Lawrence students, staff and families, along with her track record of collaborative leadership, will serve the Lawrence School community well.

As the vice principal at Lawrence, Mrs. Crowley worked closely with staff, students, and families in all areas of school leadership. She co-chaired the School Council and served as a member of Faculty Planning and Child Study Teams. She facilitated upper school team meetings and faculty meetings, and was responsible for planning grade level literacy and data meetings. Mrs. Crowley also designed and created the town-wide middle school advisory program. Prior to coming to Brookline, Mrs. Crowley was a sixth grade Language Arts and Social Studies teacher at the Day Middle and the Horace Mann Elementary schools in Newton.

As interim principal this year, Mrs. Crowley's focus has been on growing and strengthening the relationships between all members of the community. This focus is grounded in her core belief that relationships build strong, collaborative, innovative and inclusive school communities. Mrs. Crowley brings expertise in literacy professional development and project based learning, along with a deep understanding of social/emotional learning, to her work at Lawrence. Her leadership as interim principal this year has clearly demonstrated her unwavering commitment to community and collaboration.

I would like to acknowledge the committed efforts of the Lawrence School Principal Search Committee and all of the staff, parents, guardians and students who participated in the search process. The active involvement of so many members of our community over the course of this search was critical to its success.

Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Crowley as the permanent principal of the Lawrence School.

Sincerely,

Andrew J. Bott
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