

Renaming of the Coolidge Corner School (formerly the Edward Devotion School)

Nomination Submission Form: Due by 5:00pm on January 23, 2019

As part of the Town of Brookline's continuing commitment to diversity and inclusion, and its efforts to remain "vigilant against all practices and institutions that dehumanize and discriminate against people," Brookline Town Meeting voted to change the name of the former Edward Devotion School. The effort to rename the school grew from the understanding and acknowledgement that Edward Devotion was a slaveholder and that part of his wealth resulted from holding another human in bondage.

The Town of Brookline is now seeking suggestions for a new school name. Your submission will be reviewed by the Nominations Committee, comprised of 14 Coolidge Corner School students and 4 Brookline High School students who graduated from the former Devotion School. Nominations are welcome from all Public Schools of Brookline students, families, and staff; members of the Brookline community; and former students and staff of the Devotion School.

Please attach an additional sheet of paper if you need more room for your responses.

More information about the school renaming process is available here: www.brookline.k12.ma.us

Please include your contact information so that the Nominations Committee can contact you to learn more about your nomination.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Best phone number to reach you: _____

1. Briefly describe your affiliation, involvement and/or connection with the Public Schools of Brookline/Town of Brookline:

2. What is your nomination for a school name? _____

3. How does this name reflect one or more of the Coolidge Corner School's core values of Work Hard, Be Kind, Help Others?

- 4. Over the years, thousands of Brookline's school children will attend this school and take ownership of its name. In what ways does this name serve as a positive example that students can aspire to, be inspired by, and/or learn from?**
- 5. If you are nominating a person's name, please explain how this person meets one or more of the following criteria :**
- A person of excellent reputation and character who has set an example of outstanding citizenship and/or has made an exemplary contribution of time, service, or resources to the Brookline community;
 - A national noteworthy public figure or official who represents one or more of the core values of the school (Work Hard, Be Kind, Help Others);
 - A person who has made a significant donation or bequest to the town;
 - A noteworthy artist, writer, public figure or official who represents Brookline's core values of racial equity and restorative justice;
 - An individual who contributed to racial and/or gender justice and equity.
- 6. If your nomination is not a person's name, then please explain how your school name could be used by the school's families, students, and staff to inspire, connect, and build community.**

Return this completed form by hand or by mail
no later than 5pm on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 to:
The Public Schools of Brookline, Superintendent's Office
333 Washington Street, 5th Floor
Brookline, MA 02445
617-730-2401