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RE: Spotlight on Excellence - Cohort 1 Certificate of Advanced Study and Cohort 2 Educational Specialist Degree Fitchburg State Graduates

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This Spotlight on Excellence celebrates graduates from Cohort 1 and Cohort 2 of the Educational Specialist in Educational Leadership and Management Program (Ed.S. in EDLM) offered through the Lowell Teacher Academy (LTA) partnership with Fitchburg State University (FSU).

These 50 graduates worked tirelessly during their two-year accelerated program to understand the systematic and programmatic challenges of leading a large district, with instruction from administrators throughout Lowell Public Schools and central office staff. This unique partnership allows our Lowell Public Schools employees to take graduate courses here in Lowell, benefiting our students, families, and community by developing leaders through the lens of Lowell and its unique strengths.

We would like to thank Dr. Mojden Bayat, Dean of Education, Dr. Lisa Moison, Associate Dean, School of Graduate, Online, and Continuing Education, and Dr. Phil Saison, Educational Leadership and Management Program Chair, from Fitchburg State University, who have joined us to celebrate the candidates and their achievement as part of this Spotlight on Excellence.

Congratulations to the graduates! Thank you to FSU for providing this opportunity to our staff. We are grateful for our 20+ year partnership with FSU and look forward to many more years to come.

Cohort 1 and Cohort 2 Graduates: Casey Bettencourt, Elizabeth Borrelli, William Borrelli, Bryan Brunelle, Lori Casey, Lori Conlon, Lindsay DiZoglio, John Durkin, Sarah Giavroutas, Julie Gillis, Wendy Gregoire, Briana Gross, Jacqueline Hoffman, Sherianne Kinney, Katie Lanzi, Linda Lunn, Kayla Williams, Kerry Marshall, Danielle McLaughlin, Amy McManus, Jocelyn Morrow-Anderson, Paula Peters, Pattian Spence-Cox, Marcella Trainor, Lauren Trombly, Kristin Weigold, Diva Decarvalho, Holly Donovan, Rebecca Evans, Jessica Fennell, Cassandra Floor, Mikaela Keefe, Brianne LeMay, Marissa Tanguay, Molly McHale, Elizabeth McQuaid, Jessica Laffey, Elizabeth Nolan-Stack, Jessica Nucefora, Katie Pudil, Rafael Quiles, Elizabeth Quirbach, Paula Renaud, John Rolfe, Shannon Smith, Kelly Tavares, Katelyn Tupaj, Jessica Robinson, Marguerite Klobucher