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MICROSOCIETY ACADEMY HAS SECOND RIBBON CUTTING

The MicroSociety Academy Charter School (MACS), a tuition-free public charter school for K-8 students, held its' second ribbon cutting ceremony in three years on Thursday, August 31 commemorating a new addition to their West Hollis St. facility.

NH Commissioner of Education Frank Edelblut attended the ceremony as a special guest. In brief remarks he praised both the school's achievements and the parents for choosing a charter school. Nashua Mayor James Donchess representative Derek Edry presented a citation to officially recognize the school's growth and achievements in just two years.

MACS Board Chair Tom Malone, School Director Amy Bottomley, and Micro City Student President Emily King also were part of the short speaking program. The school speakers were joined by MACS PTO President Alethea Carter and Board of Trustees members, as they cut the large ribbon opening the new addition. A large contingent of parents, staff and invited guests were present for ceremony and enthusiastically toured the new rooms.

School Director Amy Bottomley noted, "With the new addition we gained two new needed classrooms, a science lab, a new administrative office, a library and also made some other cosmetic changes to the facility that we've occupied since 2015."

Construction was completed by LaPorte Construction of Merrimack, NH costing approximately \$200,000 and paid for by a combination of funding support from the NH Health and Education Facilities Authority, grants, and school fundraising.

Director Bottomley noted further, “This addition will greatly enhance our overall instructional space and MicroSociety curriculum offerings, especially in the STEM area, while also allowing us to accommodate a second kindergarten class, expand to grade 7 this year and provide classroom space for grade 8 in 2018-19.”

MACS enrollment has continued to grow steadily since the school opened in 2015 and has become a popular choice for Greater-Nashua families.

Board chair Malone indicated, “Families have responded very positively to our school's mission of actively engaging students in a learning environment that enables them to create their own MicroSociety while also preparing them for full citizenship in a 21st Century global society. As a result, this school year we will open with 190 Grades K-7 students while still having a waiting list for most classes.”

More information about MicroSociety Academy is available on the school website. www.macsnh.org. Interested parents and prospective community partners interested in mentoring MicroSociety agencies and ventures or sponsoring a room may contact Susannah Williams, Curriculum & Program Coordinator at swilliams@macsnh.org or call the school (603) 595-7877.