**Opportunity to be heard by the Massachusetts Board of Elementary and Secondary Education Regarding the Future of the Southbridge Public Schools**

**Date**: Monday, January 25, 2016

**Time:** 4:30 - 7:30 PM

**Location:** Cole Avenue Auditorium, Southbridge Public Schools

25 Cole Avenue, Southbridge, MA 01550

The Southbridge community is invited to address the Board as it considers whether to designate Southbridge a “Level 5” or chronically underperforming district. Some issues participants may choose to address include:

*What is going well in the Southbridge schools?*

*What needs improvement?*

*What is your vision for the future of the Southbridge Public Schools?*

The Board’s primary goal is to hear from as many Southbridge residents and officials as possible. Participants will register to publicly comment upon arrival and will be given 3 minutes to speak within the time allotted; Southbridge community members will be given priority. If submitting written comments, please provide 15 copies if possible. Interested parties are also encouraged to submit written comments in advance to: boe@doe.mass.edu.

Supervised childcare will be provided by the district.

