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Fwd: [External Email] Appreciation for Bus Driver Mardo

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Christopher Montini <cmontini@woodbridgeps.org>
To: Marsha DeGennaro <mdegennaro@woodbridgeps.org>

Mon, Jun 1, 2026 at 4:10 PM

Correspondence for June meeting

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From: **Steven Lawrence** <slawrence@woodbridgeps.org>
Date: Tue, May 26, 2026 at 4:38 PM
Subject: Re: [External Email] Appreciation for Bus Driver Mardo
To: ben_carmeli@icloud.com <ben_carmeli@icloud.com>
Cc: Christopher Montini <cmontini@woodbridgeps.org>

Hi Ben,

Thank you so much for taking the time to share your experience with Mardo and letting us know the care and foresight he demonstrated.

I have copied our Superintendent, Christopher Montini, so that he is also aware.

Best,

Steven

Steven Lawrence, Chair
Woodbridge Board of Education

On Mon, May 25, 2026 at 3:27 PM ben_carmeli@icloud.com <ben_carmeli@icloud.com> wrote:
Dear Members of the Woodbridge School District Board of Education,

My name is Ben Carmeli, I'm a 6th grader at Beecher currently, and my family has been part of the Woodbridge School District community for the last 16 years. I had hoped to speak during public comment at the meeting on May 19th but was unable to attend.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend our bus driver, Mardo, for his quick thinking and attentiveness. Earlier this month, while traveling down Rimmon Road near the Naugatuck State Forest area—around where Rimmon and Clinton Road meet—Mardo suddenly stopped the bus. We soon realized a car was speeding dangerously, passing other vehicles in the opposite lane, and was on course to collide with our bus. Thanks to Mardo's vigilance and swift action, a serious accident was averted, ensuring the safety of many children during their daily commute.

Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the June 15th meeting, but I sincerely hope that Mardo's dedication and care are recognized and rewarded in some way.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Ben Carmeli