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DESE reviewing English Learner Education Program at Mohawk Trail, Hawlemont schools

BUCKLAND — The state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Office of Language Acquisition is reviewing the Mohawk Trail and Hawlemont Regional school districts' English Learner Education Program.

The Office of Language Acquisition reviews each district's and charter school's English Learner Education Program every six years to monitor compliance with federal and state regulations. Areas of review include English learners' student assessments; identification of English learners; what programs English learners are placed in; parent and community involvement; curriculum and instruction; student support services; licensure requirements for faculty, staff and administrators; program plans; and evaluation and recordkeeping.

Parents and other individuals may email Office of Language Acquisition Review Chair Elenita Irizarry-Ramos at elenita.irizarry-ramos@mass.gov to request a telephone interview as part of the report. If an individual requires an accommodation, such as translation, to participate in an interview, DESE will make the necessary arrangements.

The report will be available to the public in approximately 60 days at doe.mass.edu/ele/cpr.

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Winter concert planned at Mohawk Trail Regional School

BUCKLAND — Mohawk Trail Regional School will host its annual winter concert on Thursday, Dec. 18, at 6 p.m.

Attendees can enjoy jazz, classical, pop, movie themes and traditional folk songs performed by students. The Mohawk Trail Music Association will also host a 50/50 raffle.

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