



# Prepared to Succeed

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c/o Nashua River Watershed Association  
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Dear Mr. Fosburgh and Ms. Wallace:

As 5th grade science teacher at Memorial Middle school in Fitchburg, MA, I am aware of the ongoing effort needed to be sure that our youth are taught conservation, and, importantly, have opportunities to explore the outdoors. I have taken my class on River Classroom® with the Nashua River Watershed Association for over ten years, and I have witnessed the strong, positive impact that on-water education has on my students.

It is fitting that teaching youth conservation is among the goals in the “Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers Stewardship Plan”, and I see many ways that teachers can interface with the future Stewardship Council when the rivers are designated Partnership Wild and Scenic Rivers. I am excited about what this designation will mean for the youth in all our towns, and for the coming generations.

Thank you,

*Carrie Boyden*

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