

REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

13TH ANNUAL

NATICK COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Monday, January 15, 2018, 10:00 AM

Wilson Middle School Auditorium



*Music by the Johnson Elementary School "Peacemakers";
Performance Groups from the Middle & and High Schools;*

Keynote: "15 Minutes of Awesomeness" from the Students of Natick High School

On Monday, January 15th at 10 AM, we hope you will join with a wide variety of representatives of the Natick community for a Celebration Honoring the Life and Witness of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in the auditorium at Wilson Middle School.

Our keynote presentation is exceptional. We will not be looking back at past accomplishments. Rather we will focus on the challenges we face now and the hopes that we have for the future with 15 Minutes of Awesomeness. Through a variety of voices and styles the students of Natick High will engage the vision of Dr. King and how it speaks to the world that they confront.

Celebrating the 1st anniversary of the formation of "Natick is United," a variety of local and state leaders will join us to share its vision, mission and values as we seek to create a "community where we value differences and everyone belongs." We will be joined by the Johnson School Peacemakers, as well as performance groups from the middle and high schools. Students from the middle and high schools will also share their prize-winning essays from the MLK Essay Contest, sponsored by the Natick Interfaith Clergy Association.

The offering at the celebration will support of the Friends of Natick METCO. For 50 years, our town has been committed to supporting diversity in our public schools through our participation the METCO program, which makes it possible for Boston students to attend public school in surrounding, largely suburban school districts.

Following the celebration, everyone is invited to the cafeteria where there will be service opportunities for all ages. At a time when polarization seems to be the norm, we hope you will add your voice to the celebration. We can make a difference in our little corner of the world. Now more than ever, we need people who again will "Stand up for righteousness, stand up for justice and stand up for truth."