

## **A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS INTERESTED IN THE WAYLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS' USE OF TECHNOLOGY...**

The school district has just recently completed a comprehensive external audit of our entire technology program, including computer usage by students and staff alike. As a result of this audit, I am calling upon Wayland residents and school employees to serve on an *ad hoc* Technology Task Force. The Task Force will be charged with making recommendations for updating the technology in the Wayland Public Schools, including developing spending priorities and staffing recommendations. The complete audit is found at:

[http://www.wayland.k12.ma.us/district/district\\_info/departments/technology\\_office/tech\\_audit\\_report.pdf](http://www.wayland.k12.ma.us/district/district_info/departments/technology_office/tech_audit_report.pdf)). The audit will be both a springboard for this committee, as well as a document that the committee will analyze in developing its recommendations. In addition, the committee will review the district's annual Technology Reports, our current Three Year Technology Plan, current technology inventory, infrastructure, staffing configuration, professional development plans, and will assist in the selection of the district's next Director of Technology. Ideally, task force membership will be made up of teachers, students, elected officials, community members, and building administrators.

I encourage all interested persons whose background and skills meet the needs of this Task Force to come forward to serve. Of particular assistance would be individuals with backgrounds in some area of technology or education or both.

The Task Force will begin meeting in May and will continue at least through the fall of 2008. It is my hope that recommendations for budgeting and spending priorities will be made by the time the budgeting process begins in the late fall. Residents who are interested in applying for appointment to the *ad hoc* Technology Task Force should contact either Jean Tower, Director of Technology (508-358-3714 or [Jean\\_Tower@wayland.k12.ma.us](mailto:Jean_Tower@wayland.k12.ma.us)), or Dr. Gary Burton, Superintendent of Schools, at (508) 358-3763 or at [Gary\\_Burton@wayland.k12.ma.us](mailto:Gary_Burton@wayland.k12.ma.us).

Applications are available at <http://www.wayland.k12.ma.us/district/news.htm>.