



Former State Education Secretary Paul Reville & State Street Corporation Receive First Annual MBAE Awards in Recognition of Their Contributions to Education

**Awards were presented at a luncheon today by
Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll and Secretary of Education Patrick Tutwiler**

June 25, 2024 (BOSTON) – At a luncheon today celebrating the business community’s commitment to and support for excellence in public education featuring Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll and Secretary of Education Patrick Tutwiler, the Massachusetts Business Alliance for Education (MBAE) recognized Paul Reville, former Massachusetts Secretary of Education, and State Street Corporation for their impact on educational quality in Massachusetts.

MBAE announced this will be the first year of annual awards to be given in recognition of its co-founders Secretary Reville and business leader Jack Rennie.

Reville received the MBAE Leadership in Education Award for a lifetime of service in support of student success. Beginning next year, the award will be renamed the MBAE Paul Reville Leadership in Education Award. In 1988, Reville co-founded MBAE, playing a central role in MBAE's development of and advocacy for Massachusetts historic Education Reform Act of 1993. He served nearly five years as the state’s Secretary of Education. As Governor Patrick’s top education adviser, Reville established the new Executive Office of Education and had oversight of higher education, K-12, and early education in the nation’s leading student achievement state. He served in the Governor’s Cabinet and played a leading education reform role on matters ranging from the Achievement Gap Act of 2010 and Common Core State Standards to the Commonwealth’s highly successful Race to the Top proposal. Prior to joining the Patrick Administration, Reville chaired the Massachusetts State Board of Education, and founded the Rennie Center for Education Research and Policy. He currently serves as the Francis Keppel Professor of Practice of Educational Policy and Administration at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

"Here in Massachusetts, education is our calling card, and I'm thrilled to be with MBAE to celebrate two incredible leaders who have helped us build on our legacy," said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. "I'm honored to present the first ever MBAE Jack Rennie Award for Business Impact in Education to one of Massachusetts' strongest advocates -- State Street. Their work in supporting Early College programs and workforce development play an important role in our state's education system and I'm proud to be able to support them today. I also want to recognize and congratulate Paul Reville for receiving the MBAE Leadership in Education Award. He's been at the forefront of Massachusetts education policy for years, and we thank him for his leadership."

“I am honored to present the MBAE Leadership in Education Award today to Paul Reville, who was the first Massachusetts Secretary of Education. He laid the foundation for our state’s nation leading educational efforts and was an essential support for me when I stepped into this role. This award recognizes his legacy and leadership in education and impact he has had, and continues to have, on students in the Commonwealth,” said **Secretary of Education Dr. Patrick Tutwiler**. “I also want to congratulate State Street on receiving the MBAE Jack Rennie Award for Business Impact in Education. Their efforts, particularly in early college and work-based experiences, is a model for how businesses can partner in reimagining and transforming high school — empowering students with opportunities for success.”

“Paul Reville is a true leader in education not just here in Massachusetts, but also nationally,” said Ed Lambert, Executive Director of MBAE. “His work has impacted generations of students, and we are very pleased to create an award in his name to recognize leaders in education policy and practice.”

State Street was presented with the first ever MBAE Jack Rennie Award for Business Impact in Education for the substantial contribution the company has made to improving educational opportunities for Massachusetts students. The company’s leadership around expansion of Early College and longstanding commitment to creating meaningful work-based learning experiences including high-quality internships are a model and an inspiration for how businesses can engage and have an impact for students.

“We are deeply honored to be receiving the MBAE Jack Rennie Award for Business Impact in Education, as this accolade underscores our steadfast commitment to enhancing educational opportunities for Massachusetts students,” said Joan Christel, president of State Street Foundation. “At State Street, we believe in the transformative power of education and remain committed to making a lasting impact in our communities, and ensure students have the tools and support needed to succeed in the global economy.”

The Business Impact award was established in honor of MBAE’s co-founder Jack Rennie who was chairman and CEO of Pacer Systems, a Billerica-based technology company, when he joined with Paul Reville to lead a five-year push for sweeping reform in the state’s K-12 education system, resulting in the Massachusetts Education Reform Act of 1993.

“Jack Rennie was a revered corporate statesman who gave his time and energy and used his social capital to improve opportunities for students,” said Lambert. “His legacy still impacts students today and we are thrilled to establish an award in his name.”

About MBAE

The Massachusetts Business Alliance for Education is a non-profit, non-partisan organization founded in 1988 that, together with our members, promotes and supports continuous improvement in our schools and innovation that is needed to ensure that EVERY student receives a high-quality education that prepares them for success in college, career, and citizenship.

The MBAE Affiliate Network, made up of 42 chambers of commerce and business and industry associations from around the state, work together to present a unified voice of business on education policy issues. Network members share MBAE’s commitment to ensuring every student gets the education they need to be successful.

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