

NEW LONDON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Our Vision

The New London Public Regional School System, in collaboration with our families and community partners, will provide a dynamic, rigorous, culturally rich and diverse learning environment for all of our students throughout the region. We will ensure our students' success beyond high school and prepare them to be contributing members of our regional community and economy.

**August 24, 2015
8 - 10 a.m.**



2015
Convocation

Program

Congratulations!

8 - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 - 8:40 a.m. Welcome & Recognition of New Staff
Dr. Manuel J. Rivera

Greetings from the City of New London
8:40 - 8:45 a.m. **Mayor Daryl J. Finizio**

Greetings from the Board of Education
8:45 - 8:50 a.m. **Margaret Mary Curtin, BOE President**

Greetings and Comments
8:50 - 8:55 a.m. **Rich Baez, NLEA President**

Teacher & Instructional Assistant of the Year
8:55 - 9:20 a.m.

- Recognition of Instructional Assistant, Ana Santiago, by Margaret Bucaram, ECC Coordinator
- Introduction of Teacher of the Year by Dr. Alison Burdick, Principal BDJMS
- Remarks by Michelle Combs

9:20 a.m. Our VISION for New London Public Schools
Dr. Manuel J. Rivera

INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT OF THE YEAR

Ana Santiago

Instructional Assistant at
The Early Childhood Center at Harbor School

*"The greatest compliment an educator can receive is for a colleague to entrust their child to them. Ana was my son's IA in Kindergarten, and I know that other district staff have also entrusted her with their children. This speaks to how tremendous Ana is with our children."
- Margaret Bucaram, ECC Coordinator*

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Michelle Combs

Math Teacher at
Bennie Dover Jackson Middle School

*"Michelle's story is one of growth, compassion, dedication, and an unrelenting focus on providing the best quality education for our students and for all students."
- Dr. Alison Burdick, Principal*