



## YOUTH SPEAKER BIO

Brian McCann, Joseph Case High School, Principal

Brian McCann is in his 14<sup>th</sup> year as principal of Joseph Case High School in Swansea, Mass., from which he graduated in 1980. Brian has a bachelor's degree from Boston College in English and Speech-Theatre, a master's degree in journalism from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and a CAGS from Fitchburg State College in Educational Leadership and Management. He began teaching at his alma mater in the fall of 1989, taught English and Journalism for the next 11 years, and transitioned to high school administration in 2000. His work with the Massachusetts Schools Administrator's Association (MSAA) includes the High School Committee, the Committee on Teaching and Learning, and the Summer Institute Committee. Brian chairs the state's High School Committee and represents this group on the MSAA Board of Directors. Brian currently serves on three sports committees with the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA), chairs the state's high school volleyball committee, and is a past-president of the MIAA's Board of Directors. Brian was the 2017 recipient of the MIAA's William N. Gaine, Jr. Sportsmanship Award for "distinguished leadership in the promotion of sportsmanship throughout interscholastic athletics." He also leads accreditation teams for the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Invited presentations include the MSSAA Summer Institute, MassCUE, NEASC Showcase of Model Schools, MASSADA's Annual Meeting, MIAA Annual Meeting, MSSAA's Aspiring Administrators and the 2017 SouthCoast Teacher SEL Summit. His adventures in school leadership during summer of 2017 include presenting nationally on school culture at ISTE and the National Principal's Conference, as well as moderating an August #satchat on Twitter. Brian was published in November 2017's *Principal Leadership* magazine prioritizing ed tech as a digital leader. Brian also contributed to the upcoming leadership book *The Principled Principal*. He is the father of children Fiona, Eliza, Jack, plus one Portuguese Water Dog (Coco), and just celebrated his 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with wife, Kathleen. Brian McCann was Massachusetts' 2011 High School Principal of the Year. Follow him on Twitter: @casehighprinc.