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Bristol Plymouth Superintendent Andrew Rebello and Principal Pamela Casna stand in front of the new Bristol-Plymouth school building on Aug. 31. PHOTOS BY EMMA RINDLISBACHER/TAUNTON DAILY GAZETTE

B-P has new building, dress code and more

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This school year, Bristol-Plymouth students have a new school building, a new superintendent, and a new set of standards that Superintendent of Schools Andrew Rebello says will teach them professionalism as they prepare to enter the workplace.

“We teach everything. We teach them

math, English, the shop. How come we don’t teach them professionalism?” Rebello told the Gazette. “That’s something that is starting this year.”

Starting this school year, there will be a new dress code during shop classes, Rebello said. There will also be a new professionalism and career readiness course, although he said there would be more details about that in October. Overall, Rebello said that professionalism will be “something we intentionally

teach and develop, rather than simply expect.”

Rebello was chosen by the B-P school committee to succeed retiring Superintendent Alex Magalhaes for the 2026-2027 school year. He officially began the job in August. He gave the Taunton Gazette a tour of the new B-P school building, which recently opened and will be students’ new home

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Area man convicted in shooting

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FALL RIVER — The lawyer for Keven Andrade told the jury it was a case of mistaken identity.

Veteran attorney Joseph F. Krowski argued that his client wasn’t the one who pulled the trigger and fatally shot a 26-year-old Fall River woman in the side of her head at a September 2022 apartment house party in Taunton — where cognac, wine, tequila and marijuana were being freely consumed.

He said the more plausible explanation was that it was entirely accidental and self-inflicted.

The jury saw otherwise and on Monday, Sept. 1, came back with a guilty verdict after deliberating less than three hours. Andrade, 29, was sentenced the following day to eight to 10 years in state prison.

Krowski argued that the forensic evidence showed that the victim, Colby Dowling, had a blood alcohol content nearly three times over the legal driving limit of .08 when she was shot.

More importantly, he said, witnesses testified that Dowling had briefly held the Glock .45-caliber gun in the palm of her hand shortly before the single, fatal shot was fired.

Krowski said the entire incident was a tragic case of too much booze and pot combined with the presence of a deadly weapon.

He also argued that a key prosecution witness who testified seeing Andrade extend his arm with gun in hand and shoot Colby Dowling was not credible.

The 12 jurors, however, ultimately rejected his arguments.

The panel convicted Andrade of involuntary manslaughter, carrying a firearm without a valid gun license and carrying a loaded firearm with no license.

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Bristol County Savings Bank foundation supports nonprofits

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Bristol County Savings Bank’s charitable foundation awarded \$50,000 to six nonprofit organizations serving the Taunton and Attleboro area during a recent grant ceremony at White’s of Westport in Westport.

The funding was provided by the Bristol County Savings Charitable Foundation, according to a community announcement. The grants were part of a broader round of giving that distributed

\$322,400 to 40 nonprofit organizations across the SouthCoast, Taunton/Attleboro and greater Providence, Rhode Island regions.

The six local grant recipients were Junior Achievement of Southern Massachusetts, which received \$10,000; Pave Your Path, \$7,500; Reach Out and Read, \$5,000; SAFE Coalition, \$7,500; The Arc of Bristol County, \$10,000; and Triumph, \$10,000.

Representatives from the recipient organizations joined members of the

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