

### **Nicolas Sheridan-CABE Student Leadership Award**

Nick Sheridan is a current 8th Grade student at Derby Middle School. Nick is a valued member of the Derby School's community, and he is highly involved in activities inside and outside of our school. Nick is part of the "On Board" crew, which is a collective group of students that helps transitioning 6th graders feel more comfortable and secure as they enter into our middle school. Additionally, Nick is an active member of the Peer Tutoring Club. His dedication to academic excellence is reflected in his personal achievement of being a high honors student, and this excellence is also reflected in using his knowledge to help others. Not only does he tutor students who are struggling, but he also keeps attendance records and schedules all of the club's meetings. In addition to this work, Nick is also a member of "LEAP," a gifted and talented program, providing extension activities above and beyond the core curriculum, for a small selection of Derby students. He is an active member of Student Council, which entails making decisions on school based initiatives and completing various charitable projects and fundraisers. Not only does Nick excel in these academic endeavors, but he also excels as a valued member of the Running Club, a team that competes in both track and cross country. In addition to his work at Derby Middle School, Nick is an active member of the valley community. He is an active volunteer for the Shelton Land Trust, taking care of two trails in Shelton including the Little Pond Trail and Nicholdale Farm Trail. Dedicated to preserving nature, he works to keep the trails clean while ensuring hikers and other visitors do not get lost while using the trails.