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**** SABIS® International Charter School Graduates 1000th Student ****

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On Saturday, June 7, 2014, the SABIS® International Charter School (SICS) in Springfield, Massachusetts, will hold its graduation ceremony at Symphony Hall. As a school that has hit many milestones in its close to 20-year history, SICS is set to hit another – the achievement of graduating its 1000th student.

“This is a very special occasion for us,” said Ms. Karen Reuter, SICS School Director. *“However, we will not be approaching this occasion as though one student has won a random lottery ticket as the 1,000th graduate. We feel that this is a celebration of the school’s commitment to the community and the success of all of our students, past and present. It is through the hard work, commitment, and dedication of each and every person at SICS that has allowed us to achieve this milestone.”*

A member of the global SABIS® School Network, SICS has received numerous awards and has been recognized on a number of occasions for the outstanding academic performance of its students. This year’s graduating class includes 80 recipients of the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship, which is awarded to students who excel on the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests. Other recognition for SICS this year has included the “Outstanding Delegation Award” and “Honorable Mention Award” at the American International College’s Model Congress. This year SICS was also recognized in the *Washington Post* “Challenge Index” for its “commitment to preparing average students for college.” SICS was also awarded a silver medal from the *U.S. News and World Report* and placed on a list of “America’s Best High Schools.”

Speaking on behalf of SABIS® Educational Systems, Inc., the organization responsible for managing SICS, Mr. George Saad, VP of Operations, expressed the company’s pride being associated with such overwhelming success. *“When SABIS® was awarded the management of SICS – then the Alfred Glickman School – it was the second lowest performing school in the entire district. Today, 19 years later, the school is a beacon of hope for the community.”* He continued, *“We are extremely proud of the school’s thick portfolio of accomplishments. But most importantly, we are thrilled to have played a role in giving students in Springfield access to a high-quality education that opens the door to success in college and beyond.”*

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