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## Cambridge Police Present Laptops to Essay Contest Winners

**August 17, 2011** – On August 16<sup>th</sup>, members of the Cambridge Police Department and representatives from Micro Center in Cambridge awarded laptops to two Cambridge Rindge and Latin School seniors.



Stephanie Rebelo and Melinda Maxwell, both 18, received the laptops after being chosen as the winners of the High School Senior Essay Challenge sponsored by the Cambridge Police Department. The laptops were donated by Micro Center.

Arsen Askaryan, General Manager of Micro Center in Cambridge, was proud to be a part of the contest, saying, “We feel very much a part of this community and it is our pleasure to help out when we can.”

The winners were chosen from a pool of applicants who were required to be high school seniors in Cambridge and active members of a Cambridge Youth Center. Each was tasked with writing a 500-word essay on the responsibility of the community in maintaining public safety that answered the question, “*What role does the community, and specifically you as a young adult, play in making Cambridge a safe and nice place to live?*”

Rebelo, active at the Frisoli Youth Center, will be attending Regis College in the fall. Maxwell, of the Moore Youth Center, will be attending the New England Institute of Art. Both were excited to receive their laptops which will help them in the upcoming school year.

“We’re very proud of the winners,” said Officer Oswaldo Ortiz of the Cambridge Police Community Relations Unit. “We hope they put their laptops to good use next year as they continue on with their education.”

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