



***I'm running the 120th Boston Marathon on Monday, April 18, 2016, to help provide Lawrence students at Bellesini Academy with a brighter future!***

*Dear Family and Friends,*

*It's with great excitement that I'll be running the Boston Marathon again on Monday, April 18, 2016. If you remember last year the weather was raining and miserable but no one seemed to mind. Everyone was so incredibly pumped up, the energy was fantastic. All my training in the snow, so much snow!, and cold paid off and kept me going all the way to Boylston Street. So many of you followed my travels that day, I hope you'll do it again come Marathon Monday.*

*As many of you know, I often raise money for well deserving charities that make a difference in our lives. This year, I'll be running the marathon in support of Bellesini Academy in Lawrence, Massachusetts, an inner city academy for middle school aged boys and girls. Bellesini Academy's mission is to provide an academically challenging and highly structured environment that develops the potential for each student to succeed in competitive secondary schools and colleges. The Academy believes that education is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty and I wholeheartedly agree. What a wonderful school I get to support. I consider myself fortunate to assist such a worthy cause.*

*Thank you in advance for your support!*

*Sincerely,*

**Rita**



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