

Brookhaven Councilman Dan Panico Selected as 2016 Distinguished Alumni of William Floyd School District

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Farmingville, NY – Brookhaven Town Councilman Dan Panico will be inducted into the 2016 William Floyd School District's Distinguished Alumni Class for his outstanding work in government and public service. A special ceremony is planned for Friday, April 15th, at Lombardi's on the Bay in Patchogue where Councilman Panico and fellow alumni will be officially inducted.

Councilman Panico, a 1996 graduate of William Floyd High School, said ""I am very thankful to the Alumni Association Board for this honor. No matter where life may lead me, I will always remember my time at William Floyd - from my earliest days at Tangier Smith Elementary School through graduation in High School. I wish to congratulate my fellow honorees and look forward to going back to school for the day and the ceremony which will follow that evening."

The Distinguished Alumni Award – presented in conjunction with the William Floyd Alumni Association – is given to former students who have made a positive difference in society through their careers and life choices. The 2016 inductees hail from the fields of government, public service, education, entertainment and culinary arts. Alumni will receive a plaque which will be prominently displayed in the hallway of the main entrance at William Floyd High School that joins 34 other alumni who have been inducted since the award was first established eight years ago.

Councilman Panico, a graduate of Stony Brook University and Touro School of Law, has served as a Councilman since 2010, and was appointed Deputy Supervisor in 2012. Career highlights include authoring landmark legislation for the tax cap, an anti-nepotism law as well as sweeping ethics reform. A pioneer in the areas of land use, zoning and planning, Councilman Panico has preserved hundreds of acres of farmland and open space, worked to prevent over-development, and has emphasized redevelopment of existing developed lands. He is credited with spearheading the most aggressive crackdown on illegal housing and blighted structures in the history of Brookhaven Town. Raising the quality of life for all has been the hallmark of his tenure.

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