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**Acton Police Department Appoints New School  
Resource Officer, Detective Monica Ricci**



*Acton Police Det. Monica Ricci has been appointed as the department's newest School Resource Officer. (Photo Courtesy Acton Police Department)*

ACTON — Chief James Cogan is pleased to announce that Acton Police Det. Monica Ricci has been appointed as the department's newest School Resource Officer (SRO).

Det. Ricci will be assigned to the elementary schools along with two collaborative schools.

As SRO, Det. Ricci will maintain a safe and secure environment at the schools and during special events. She will provide counsel and guidance to school administrators regarding school safety, build positive relationships with students and staff and provide safety presentations and programs.

Det. Ricci has nine years of experience in law enforcement and has been a member of the Acton Police Department since 2023. She holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from the University of Massachusetts Boston, and a master's degree in forensic psychology from Southern New Hampshire University.

Not new to working with schools, Ricci previously worked in the Tufts University Police Department, where she participated in proactive crime prevention and community policing.

Ricci has also received certifications and extensive training in crisis intervention, psychological first aid, advanced de-escalation and documentation and CPR/AED & First Aid.

"School resource officers play an important role in building trust and fostering positive relationships within our schools," said Chief James Cogan. "We are confident that Det. Ricci will be an excellent resource for our students, and we look forward to watching her grow into this role."

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*Det. Ricci with fellow School Resource Officer Det. Anthony Rotella. (Photo  
Courtesy Acton Police Department)*

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## **A message from the Acton Police Department**

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