



Lee Kimball Champion for Children 2019 – South West Region

Lee Kimball is a behind the scenes worker who ensures that the schools and the town departments work together to have solid emergency management plans. He coordinates trainings for those plans and makes sure that they are living and useful plans and not just filler for binders on a shelf. He staffs the emergency operations center during weather events to coordinate responses and improve communication and safety. He mentors a number of young men through his work for Bow Youth Football. He is one of those people who is the quiet and unobtrusive glue holding a community together and serving without seeking compensation or recognition Dean S. T. Cascadden, Superintendent of SAU 67 stated, “Lee is one of those quiet people who works hard behind the scenes to be a Champion for Children. His work in safety and his mentorship to the students of Bow are outstanding. He works hard and gives back to his community without much recognition or compensation. His volunteer work and beyond the job professionalism make our schools and our larger community a better and safer place to live, work and raise a family. Bow High School Head Football Coach/Safety Officer/Mathematics Professor Paul S. Cohen stated “I have known Lee Kimball for 18 years, in my capacities as Safety Officer/Head Football coach at Bow High School. During this time, I have had the pleasure of numerous interactions with Lee, concerning both football and safety. Lee is passionate about both, as evidenced by his tireless desire to make Bow Youth Football the most effective, fun, and goal-oriented youth football program in the area. His efforts have resulted in big dividends for me at the high school level. Prior to 2005, there was no youth program in Bow. This made the high school football experience for many Bow players brand new and difficult. Lee and the other coaches of BYF for the past 13 years or so have made the transition from youth to high school football significantly more rewarding and successful for the youth of Bow.”