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**DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH CELEBRATED
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Former MassBay student and new author to present his book

Wellesley Hills, Mass. –Join Massachusetts Bay Community College’s (MassBay) Department of Learning Accommodations/Services for Students with Disabilities and the entire MassBay Learning Community in recognizing the importance of celebrating October as National Disability Awareness Month.

On October 29 in the Library Atrium at 11:00 a.m., MassBay alum Michael Murphy will talk about nonverbal learning disorders and his new book “NLD From the Inside Out.”

NLD, which is still not officially recognized by the American Psychiatric Association in its "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Psychiatric Disorders," has a spectrum of manifestations but does not have an authoritative diagnosis. Murphy’s book hopes to bring relief to those affected by the disorder, including victims, families, and friends.

Murphy earned an associate of arts degree and graduated summa cum laude from MassBay. He went on to earn a bachelor’s degree cum laude in psychology from Clark University, where his thesis on nonverbal learning disabilities was the beginning of his current book. Currently, Murphy is in his third and final year of studying for a master’s degree in Jewish Studies at Hebrew College.

About MassBay Community College

Massachusetts Bay Community College (MassBay) is an open-access, accredited two-year public educational institution. The College grants associate degrees and certificates in a range of disciplines through its five divisions of academics: the Division of Health Sciences; the Division of Humanities; the Division of Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (S.T.E.M.); the Division of Social Sciences & Professional Studies; and the Division of Transportation & Energy. Offering over 60 academic programs, MassBay serves Boston and the MetroWest communities with locations in Wellesley Hills, Framingham and Ashland (Automotive Technology Center).

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