



# Malden Reads Mini Writers' Den

## Third Session, Winter 2019

<b>What is the Mini Writers' Den?</b>	An opportunity for middle school students to work on their own creative writing in a fun, collaborative environment, with students from other schools in Malden
<b>Who can participate?</b>	Students in grades 5–8 in the Malden Public Schools are welcome to participate on a first come, first served basis. (Space is limited!)
<b>Where will this take place?</b>	Malden High School Writers' Den
<b>Who will the instructors be?</b>	A graduate student from Tufts University, with support from Malden High School mentors
<b>Will transportation be provided?</b>	Students will be picked up after school and will be driven home afterwards by Malden Transportation, at no charge to families.
<b>What's the schedule?</b>	Four sessions on Thursdays (See schedule below.) Students will be picked up after school, and the program will end at 4:30 p.m.
<b>Will there be a final book project that the students will produce?</b>	Students from different schools in Malden will be participating at different times. There will be a reception for all students participating in the program on May 30. We hope to have a book to share with the community, along with student readings of their work!
<b>Is there other information we should know about this program?</b>	Malden Reads is a community reading program, with the goals of encouraging reading and literacy, promoting city resources, and connecting community. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Malden Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

### Permission Slip

Please clearly fill out the information requested below and **return this section to your school's Literacy Coach as soon as possible**, in order for your child to participate. Thank you!

My child \_\_\_\_\_ has permission to participate in the Mini Writers' Den from after school on the following dates:

- May 2
- May 9
- May 16
- May 23
- May 30 (Reception for parents & community)

Malden Transportation has permission to pick up my child at the \_\_\_\_\_ School. My address is \_\_\_\_\_, and I grant permission for Malden Transportation to drive my child home after each Mini Writers' Den session on the dates listed above. I understand that the Mini Writers' Den program will end at 4:30 p.m., and the bus driver will pick the students up at Malden High at that time. Due to traffic and the number of students being driven home, I understand that it may take some time for my child to arrive home. I understand that I will need to make arrangements for my child to arrive home safely after 4:30 p.m. (and sometimes close to 5:00 p.m., depending on traffic).

I give permission for my child to be recorded on camera (video or photos) that may be used for publicity purposes.

My email address is \_\_\_\_\_, and my phone number is \_\_\_\_\_.

I understand that Malden Reads will email me a confirmation for my child to participate.

If I have questions, I am aware that I may contact [maldenreads@gmail.com](mailto:maldenreads@gmail.com).

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Parent's Name (Printed) and Signature

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Date