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Supt. Oteri at Malden HS graduation



Superintendent John Oteri

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all,
The end of the school year brings a virtual whirlwind of activity, most of it related to both sides of a particular spectrum: Finishing and beginning. On one side, all members of our Malden Public Schools community worked to put the finishing touches on another terrific school year for our students and themselves as educators and professionals. On the other side, we had a prestigious list of graduation and "moving on" ceremonies, as we congratulated our students, from high school to preschool as they advance to their next level of learning. Thanks to all for a fantastic year. Have a great summer! *Follow us on Twitter: @maldenpublic*



'TIS THE SEASON for GRADUATIONS and 'MOVING ON' CEREMONIES

Across the Malden Public Schools district, the final weeks of June have been ones of celebration. Achievements and recognition have been highlights at every one of our schools. *Photos from several of the events are inside today's edition*

Malden Public Schools Mission Statement

Malden Public Schools is a place where students are encouraged to follow their dreams and become well rounded members of our community. The Malden Public Schools prepare students to be independent thinkers and enthusiastic learners who: Work hard; Respect others; Cherish our diversity; Seek challenges; Discover and Develop their individual talents; Strive for academic excellence; and look to Demonstrate personal and social responsibility. Malden Public Schools graduates are prepared to be active participants in our economy and democracy.



Community Conversation: The Future of Work in the Commonwealth

State Sen. Jason Lewis, D-5th Middlesex, at right, hosted a panel on the future of work in Massachusetts which included Superintendent John Oteri, second from right and Mass. Secretary of Labor Acosta, third from right as panelists. Also on hand, Mayor Gary Christenson, center, state Rep. Paul Brodeur, D-Malden, Melrose, Ward One City Councilor and Malden YWCA Director Peg Crowe, third from left and Ward One School Committee member Michael Drummey, second from left.

Malden state Senator Jason Lewis, D-5th Middlesex hosted his districtwide Community Conversation segment at Malden Senior Center last week. Serving as panelists for the event were Supt. John Oteri and Mass. Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development Rosalin Acosta. A common theme expressed by the three panelists and also by Mayor Gary

“The future of work in the Commonwealth is integrally connected with the future of education. We as educators must make sure our future workforce, our students, are prepared with the skills they will need to ensure their success.”

—Superintendent John Oteri

Gary Christenson was that the future of jobs and the workforce in Massachusetts is directly fueled by the education

of our students, who are the workers of tomorrow. Supt. Oteri stressed our schools are now working toward this goal.



Superintendent Oteri, at right, participated in an inspirational ceremony where the Pride Flag was raised outside Malden High School for the first time in city history to show support for Pride Month and the LGBTQ community. Also participating were over 100 students as well as Malden High Principal Chris Mastrangelo, left, Ward Three City Councilor Ryan O'Malley, second from right, and GSA Club Advisor and Malden High faculty member Christine Grillon, who organized the event, second from right.

Malden Public Schools take the lead in raising Pride Flag for first time in history

Pride Flag now flying outside Malden High School

In recognition of Pride Month, Malden High School raised the Pride flag on June 1 in front of the the school to advocate support for the LGBTQ community. This is the first time in Malden High School history that the school has done this. Over 100 students and others were at this event to support the flag raising including MHS Principal Mr. Mastrangelo, Superintendent John Oteri, Malden Ward Four City Councilor Ryan O'Malley, Karen Hayes from the Mayor's Office. Malden High faculty member Christine Grillon, the advisor for the GSA club at MHS, organized the event and thanked all who attended and noted the historic aspect of this event, the first ever at Malden High. Superintendent Oteri said, "This is a first in Malden and everyone in every car driving down Malden's busiest street can look and see the acceptance and support demonstrated by the Pride Flag flying at Malden High School."

Malden High School Commencement 2018



Supt. Oteri addresses the large audience on hand

Malden High's Senior Class of 2018 went out in style at the Commencement where 442 diplomas were awarded



**MALDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2018-2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

AUGUST 2018				
(2 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
27*	28*	29	30	X

8/27* First Day for Teachers
8/28* Prof Dev Day - All Grds
8/29 First Day of School for Grades PreK, 1-12
8/29-9/4 Kindergarten Orientation/Screening
8/31 No School

SEPTEMBER 2018				
(19 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
X	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

9/3 Labor Day
9/5 First Day of School for Kindergarten

OCTOBER 2018				
(22 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
X	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

10/5 Early Dismissal PreK-12
10/8 Columbus Day
10/15 Late Entry Day MHS

NOVEMBER 2018				
(18 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6*	7	8	9
X	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	X	X
26	27	28	29	30

11/5 Late Day Entry MHS
11/6* Prof Dev Day-All Grds
11/12 Veterans Day
11/21 11:00 Dismissal
11/22-23 Thanksgiving

DECEMBER 2018				
(15 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
X	X	X	X	X
X				

12/10 Late Entry MHS
12/21 11:00 Dismissal
12/24-1/1 Winter Vacation

JANUARY 2019				
(21 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
	X	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
X	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	

1/2 School Resumes
1/11 Early Dismissal PreK-12
1/7 Late Entry MHS
1/21 Martin Luther King Day

FEBRUARY 2019				
(14 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15*
X	X	X	X	X
25	26	27	28	

2/4 Late Entry MHS
2/15* Prof Dev Day-All Grds
2/18-22 February Vacation

MARCH 2019				
(21 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

3/4 Late Entry MHS
3/8 Early Dismissal PreK-12

APRIL 2019				
(17 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
X	X	X	X	X
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

4/1 Late Entry MHS
4/5 Early Dismissal PreK-12
4/15-19 Spring Vacation

MAY 2019				
(22 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
X	28	29	30	31

5/3 Early Dismissal PreK-12
5/6 Late Entry MHS
5/27 Memorial Day

JUNE 2019				
(9 Days)				
M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	

6/13 Last day w/o snow days - 11:00 Dismissal
6/20 Last day w/five snow days - 11:00 Dismissal

First Day for Teachers – Monday, August 27, 2018

Please note that five (5) additional days are built into the calendar in case of inclement weather

○ Early Release PreK-12

□ Late Entry Dates for High School

Parade of Eighth Graders 'moving on' are main attraction at Malden's K-8 schools this week



Retired 45-year Malden Public Schools educator Dr. Susan Vatalaro, the former longtime principal at the Beebe K-8 School, has words of wisdom for eighth graders at the graduation ceremony Wednesday.



Ferryway School eighth graders are guests of honor at the graduation ceremony Wednesday.

Eighth Graders moving on to High School years



Superintendent Oteri speaks at Forestdale School Eighth Grade graduation ceremony Wednesday night as Principal Donald Concannon, left, listens.



Ward Five City Councilor Barbara Murphy, an active and stalwart supporter of the Forestdale School, brought greetings from the Mayor and city of Malden.



The Class of 2018 at the Beebe School is ready to graduate and members of the Beebe Band are ready to send them off with some musical accompaniment.

The Malden Public Schools: 'Our Diversity is Our Strength'

The Malden district is near the top as one of the most diverse in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with Malden High School rated the #1 most diverse secondary education school overall. Throughout the district, we embrace our diversity and strive to progress as one.



The Beebe School eighth grade graduating Class of 2018 sings the National Anthem Wednesday.

A POSITIVE SCHOOL CULTURE

IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMON LANGUAGE
USED, EXEMPLIFYING THE BELIEFS, VALUES,
STRENGTH IN RELATIONSHIPS AND RESPECT FOR
DIVERSITY IN THE COMMUNITY.

Salemwood School graduation ceremony honors its eight graders moving on Thursday



Retiring educator Meg Wingerath presents awards at Salemwood Graduation Thursday.



Linden S.T.E.A.M. Academy bids adieu to 8th Graders

It was a big day earlier this week for the Eighth Grade graduates of Linden S.T.E.A.M Academy.



**SUPT. OTERI and MAYOR CHRISTENSON CONGRATULATE
NEW ORTON-GILLINGHAM INSTRUCTIONAL TRAINING
GRADUATES from MALDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Congratulations to our 8 Orton-Gillingham certificates recipients! Your hard work and dedication will greatly benefit of Malden students!

Have a great summer everyone! There will be new editions of 'From the Desk of the Superintendent' in late July... and to kick off school in August!