



Malden Reads Mini Writers' Den

Third Session, Winter 2019

What is the Mini Writers' Den?	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
Who can participate?	Students in grades 5–8 in the Malden Public Schools are welcome to participate on a first come, first served basis. (Space is limited!)
Where will this take place?	Malden High School Writers' Den
Who will the instructors be?	A graduate student from Tufts University, with support from Malden High School mentors
Will transportation be provided?	Students will be picked up after school and will be driven home afterwards by Malden Transportation, at no charge to families.
What's the schedule?	Four sessions on Thursdays (See schedule below.) Students will be picked up after school, and the program will end at 4:30 p.m.
Will there be a final book project that the students will produce?	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!
Is there other information we should know about this program?	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.

Parent's Name (Printed) and Signature

Date