Week 2 Packet Update

Dear PreK-4 Malden Public School Families,

The good news is that our technology is starting to come in! We have received enough Chromebooks to distribute to the ELC and Grade 4 - and we are working on completing additional grade levels as devices arrive. The tech department is working non-stop to get devices out as fast as possible, but in the meantime, we do have a need to distribute paper packets for the week of September 28th - October 2nd.

For this round, we have created packets for PreK through Grade 4. Having all of these grades will help as we transition to devices grade by grade throughout the week.

All PreK - Grade 4 families will be able to pick up paper packets on Friday, September 25. In addition, ELC and Grade 4 students will be able to pick up devices on Friday. Using the packets as we make the transition will help teachers as they assist families who are accessing the technology for the first time. In other words, students in PreK and Grade 4 will be logging on, but they will also have the necessary hard copy materials to refer to as well. We understand that families may struggle with getting the technology running for the first time; we anticipate a busy family help desk on Monday morning. We've all been there, and your patience is even more appreciated during this transition.

For those who prefer to access materials online, we will post links to the PreK-4 packets on our website on Monday morning (<u>www.maldenps.org</u>). You can also access our Family Help Desk on our website.

New for this Round

We had a bit more lead time and we were able to incorporate your feedback into the creation of packets this week. There is one packet for each grade level. For Grades 1-4, the pages are numbered, and a cover sheet separates one section from the next so that you may be able to quickly find the material you need.

We look forward to updating you about progress on our Chromebook distribution and will be in touch as soon as we have additional information to share.