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Dear Staff & Community,

Good morning! Hope you had a nice weekend.

*Tip of the Week: *Recycle everything in one place.*SingleStream recycling means you can "put it all in one container."

*Employee Transportation Fair:

Today! Monday, December 16th from 4-5:30pm at 344 Broadway, 2nd floor conference room.

Don't miss out on prizes, food and celebration~

*Composting @ Your School:

We are working with schools to establish more composting programs. We have 8 schools doing full-scale composting in our school district now! If your school is interested in composting, please reply to this e-mail.

*Check out our latest recycling report for the school district:

http://www.cambridgema.gov/theworks/ourservices/recyclingandtrash/aboutrecycling/Schools/recyclinginschools/recyclingreports.aspx

*Student/Teacher Resources:

Click below for a list of useful environmental/climate change websites (great tool for classes and students):

http://www3.cpsd.us/sustainability/website_resources.

*Greenest Colleges:

The Sierra Club has produced a statistical report on the greenest universities in the country: http://www.sierraclub.org/sierra/201209/coolschools/complete-rankings-cool-schools.aspx.

*Cambridge Winter Farmer's Market: Starting next month! Every Saturday 10am-2pm (January 4th-April 26th) Cambridge Community Center 5 Callender Street Cambridge 02139 (just outside of Central Square)

More info at...

www.cambridgewinterfarmersmarket.com

*Recycling Reminders:

Need a blue bin in your classroom? Contact your senior custodian.

Please take a minute to review all that can be recycled!

Need a "single stream" recycling label for your blue bin? Contact Meryl @ Public Works:

<u>mbrott@cambridgema.gov</u>. (Every bin should have a label, even if your bin says "Paper Only.")

*Opt Out of Unwanted Mail:

Do you get unwanted mail from retailers, credit card companies, or cable/phone companies? You can opt out of mailings from over 4000 companies with Catalog Choice and help reduce waste. For example, you can stop getting weekly circulars from Global Direct, they will honor opt-out requests, so add them to "your choices". Just register for FREE at https://cambridge.catalogchoice.org to create an account to start cleaning out your mailbox. "To date, over 3700 Cambridge residents have signed up and opted out of nearly 25,000 different unwanted mailings!

Thanks so much for your continued green efforts in your classrooms & offices!

Best wishes, Kristen

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