Dear School District & Community--

Please find our green **Tip of the Week,** and **PFEWGTM News** below. PFEWGTM(Products-Food-Energy-Waste-Greenspace) is the model for sustainability that we use to implement the Cambridge Green Schools Initiative/CGSI.

The Green Hero Award is a program of the Cambridge Green Schools Initiative/CGSI. For January/February the honor goes to Meryl Brott, Recycling Program Manager, Department of Public Works. Meryl collaborates with the schools on recycling and composting initiatives. Click here to read more: http://www3.cpsd.us/Sustainability/Green_Hero.

- <u>Tip of the Week:</u> Ask...How can I help? *Why?* Making an eco-friendly choice in your life helps the greater whole.
- <u>Products:</u> "*Re-used Furniture.*" Are you looking for furniture for your classroom?: http://extrasforcreativelearning.blogspot.com/2012/01/furniture.html.
- <u>Food:</u> "Winter Farmer's Market." Click here for the Cambridge Winter Farmer's Market: http://cambridgewinterfarmersmarket.weebly.com/.
- <u>Energy:</u> "Pull the Plug." Unplug copiers & computers in your classroom when not in use: http://www.thedailygreen.com/living-green/definitions/Phantom-Load.
- <u>Waste:</u> "Single-stream Recycling." Remind yourself of all the items we can recycle. See attached.
- <u>Greenspace: "Junior Forester Program."</u> The City of Cambridge offers a fantastic Junior Forester program open to local youth 5-13 who want to adopt a city tree and help care for it. Click here: http://www.cambridgema.gov/theworks/ourservices/urbanforestry/programsandvolunteering/juniorforesterprogram.aspx

Thanks for reading & have a great week.

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