

Monday, 2/14/11

Dear Principals, Custodians, Teachers, Staff, Students, and Administration--

Hello, I hope you had a nice weekend.

Below you will find our green Tip of the Week, an Energy Efficiency Update, and an application link for the 2011 Massachusetts Awards for Excellence in Energy & Environmental Education (deadline March 28th) that honor teachers and students.

Thanks for taking the time to read.

- Tip of the Week: *Recycle everything in one place.* SingleStream recycling means you can "put it all in one container." A few items that can be singlestream recycled include: aluminum cans and foil, glass bottles and jars, milk cartons and juice boxes, cardboard boxes, empty pizza boxes, newspapers, paper, magazines...and more. See attached flier for the complete list.
- Energy Efficiency Update: *Thank you for your continued efforts to reduce energy use across the district.* I am using new software and inputting data to record and analyze energy use for each of our schools and school administrative buildings. As we draw closer to the completion of a sustainability website, and to launching our green schools initiative with specific energy recommendations for each school, I will be sharing this data with you and posting it online to help us track our progress.
- Awards for Excellence in E&EE: This spring, Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) Richard K. Sullivan Jr. will honor Massachusetts teachers and students who are involved in school-based programs, projects, and clubs that promote environment and energy education. Deadline March 28th. Click this link for a summary and application.  
[http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eoeepressrelease&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Grants+%26+Technical+Assistance&L2=Guidance+%26+Technical+Assistance&L3=Agencies+and+Divisions&L4=Department+of+Energy+Resources+\(DOER\)&sid=Eoeea&b=pressrelease&f=110113\\_pr\\_awards\\_deadline&csid=Eoeea](http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=eoeepressrelease&L=5&L0=Home&L1=Grants+%26+Technical+Assistance&L2=Guidance+%26+Technical+Assistance&L3=Agencies+and+Divisions&L4=Department+of+Energy+Resources+(DOER)&sid=Eoeea&b=pressrelease&f=110113_pr_awards_deadline&csid=Eoeea)

Have a great week. -Kristen