REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Regular Meeting of the
Malden School Committee

Monday, August 31, 2026

Timothy Sippel, Ed.L.D.
Superintendent

Core Values

INCLUDE AND COLLABORATE



EMBRACE GROWTH



DO RIGHT BY ALL KIDS



District Strategic Plan
2026-2031

Year One: 2026-2027



Include & Collaborate • **Embrace Growth** • **Do Right by ALL Kids**

Strategic Priorities

1. High expectations with support to meet diverse needs
2. Fair access to opportunity
3. Deep partnerships
4. Strong, well-supported workforce
5. Financial and operational sustainability



Agenda

- Back-to-School Highlights
- District-wide Updates
  - *Leadership Updates*:
    - *Principals*
    - *Program Managers*
    - *Directors*
  - *Staffing*
  - *Enrollment*
  - *Technology*

New Educator Orientation

August 18-19, 2026



What was effective about the sessions...

"The collaboration with other educators and the emphasis of multilingual students and students with disabilities."

"I got to learn about how students can be involved actively in the learning process. How they can leverage their experiences to boost the learning experience."

Opening Day Celebration

August 24, 2026













Districtwide Professional Development

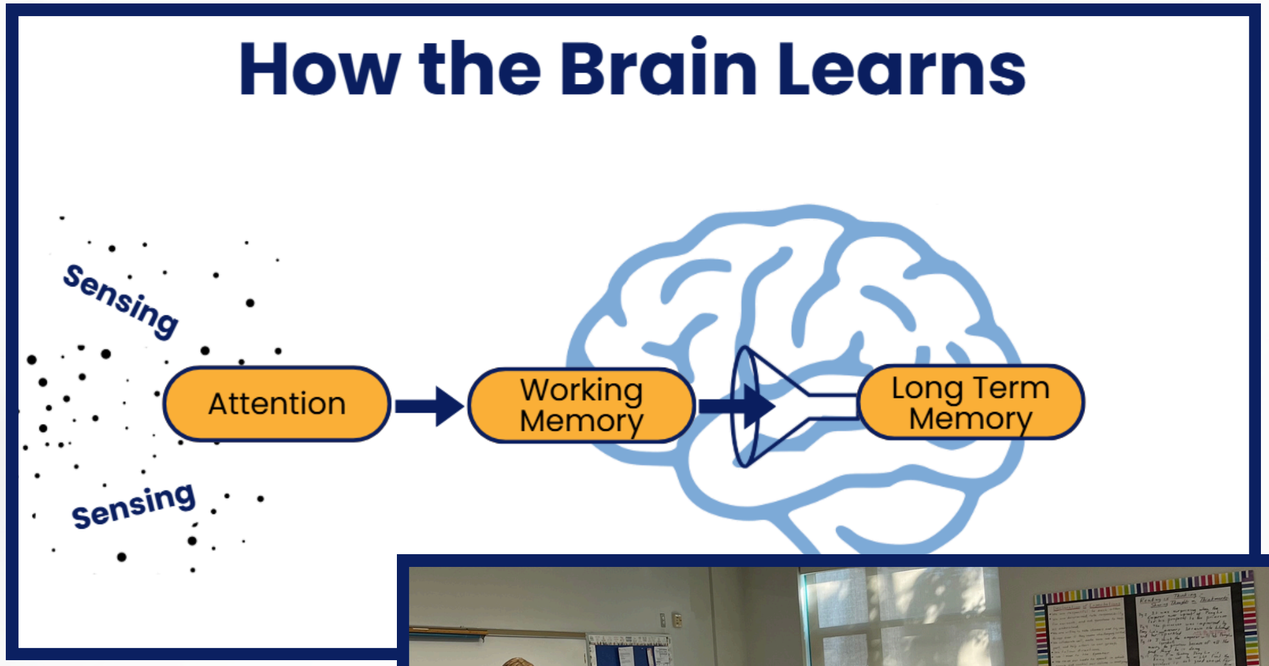
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What was effective about the sessions...

"Great examples, can be easily used in our classroom from day 1."

"Collaborating with other Math teachers to identify skill areas needed for students to be successful on MCAS."

"Having the time to plan with my co-teacher was so helpful."















First Day of School — *August 26, 2026*







Leadership Updates: Principals

Alex Rock
Early Learning Center

Kari-ann Murphy
Beebe School

Matt Stahl
Ferryway School

Adam Weldai
Forestdale School

Ray Garcia
Linden School

Van Huynh
Salemwood School

Mike Sabin
Malden High School

Leadership Updates: Program Managers

Elise Comeau
Program Manager
PreK-8 Schools

Tanya McDonald
Program Manager
Malden High

Conor O’Keefe
Program Manager
Specialized Instruction

Stephanie Scalese
Program Manager
K-8 Schools

Leadership Updates: Directors

Christina Balter-Scarlatos
Director of Intervention and Instructional Support

Sheila Butler
Director of Nursing

Erin Craven
Director of School Counseling

Charlie Conefrey
Director of Athletics, Health & Wellness

Krista Fincke
Director of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics PreK-12

Amy Heuton
Director of Literacy and English Language Arts, PreK-12

Hannah Feintuch
Director of Multilingual Education

Carmen Livesay
Director of Multilingual Education

Gerard Tannetta
Director of Social Studies and Visual & Performing Arts

District-Wide Updates: Staffing

Began posting anticipated vacancies in March 2026

60+ new educators across our schools started on day one!

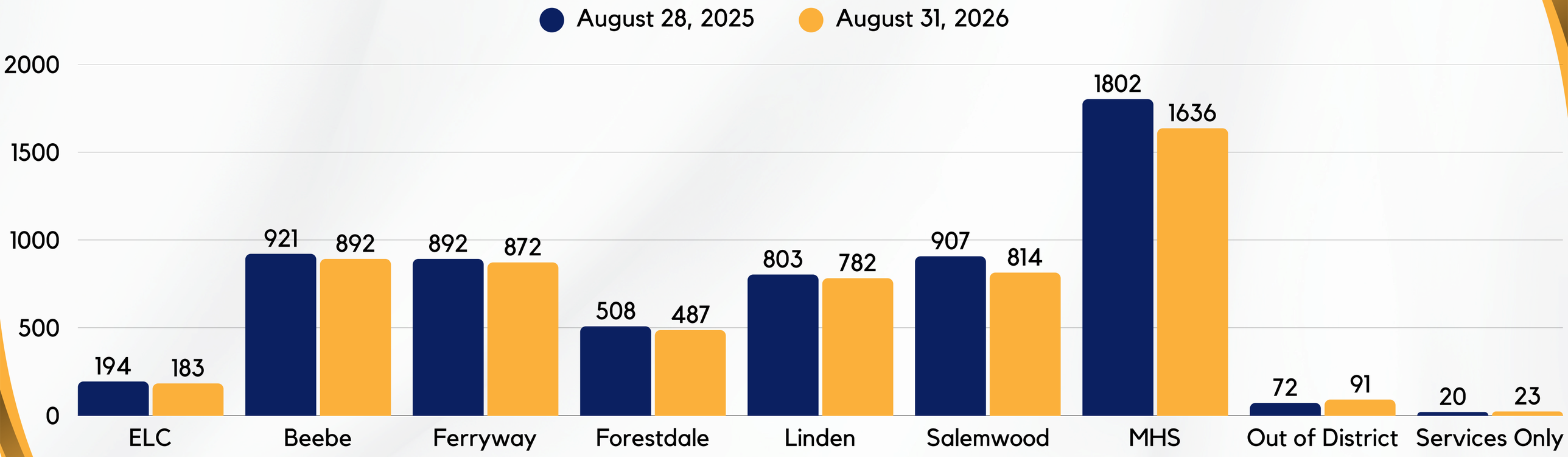




61 classroom teaching positions have been filled with only 2 positions pending!

Nearly all ESL and Special Education teaching positions are filled!

District-Wide Updates: Enrollment by School



District-wide Enrollment August 28, 2025: ***6,119***
District-wide Enrollment August 31, 2026: ***5,780***

Enrollment by Grade & School

Enrollment by Grade (August 31, 2026)*															
Location	**PK**	**K**	**1**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9**	**10**	**11**	**12**	**SP**	**Total**
Early Learning Center	183	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	**183**
Beebe	*0*	102	105	95	86	105	108	99	94	98	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	**892**
Ferryway	*0*	82	87	105	98	102	110	100	89	99	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	**872**
Forestdale	*0*	61	48	55	48	48	60	63	50	54	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	**487**
Linden	*0*	76	89	93	99	76	85	89	92	83	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	**782**
Salemwood	*0*	72	96	82	109	75	102	90	90	98	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	**814**
Malden High	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	401	397	421	412	5	**1636**
Out of District	1	0	4	7	4	7	4	6	2	8	7	15	9	16	1	**91**
Services Only	21	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	**23**
District	**205**	**393**	**429**	**437**	**444**	**413**	**470**	**447**	**417**	**440**	**408**	**412**	**430**	**428**	**7**	**5780**

**149 additional students are in the process of enrolling (pending verification of documents, health screening, etc.)*

District-Wide Updates: Technology

GoGuardian

GoGuardian* is in use on all district-issued K-12 student devices.

**GoGuardian allows educators to control web-content on student's Chromebook screens during class time*

YouTube is automatically blocked for students** on school-issued devices or when signed into their school email account.

***Educators have the ability to override the block for educational purposes*

Thank you!