

# PUBLIC SCHOOLS of BROOKLINE

## Superintendent's Update - February 2, 2023



# Agenda

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- Community Highlights
- Superintendent School Visits
- Important Dates
- Spotlight on Excellence

# COLD WEATHER & ICE SAFETY TIPS



## DRESS IN SEVERAL LAYERS

Wear loose-fitting, lightweight clothing instead of a single heavy layer. Outer garments should be tightly woven and water repellent.



## BE VIGILANT

Do not ignore shivering—it's an important first sign that your body is losing heat. Constant shivering is a sign that it is time to go inside.



## PET SAFETY REMINDERS

Take precautions during cold—pet should not be left outside for long periods of time during below-freezing weather. Check dogs' paws for signs of cold-weather injury like cracking or bleeding.

The weather forecast for **Friday, February 3** projects frigid temperatures during the school day.

Please be mindful of the extreme weather and ensure that you and your student(s) are appropriately bundled up as they make their way to school. Hats, scarves, mittens/gloves, and warm overcoats are all essential.

**All schools and offices will remain open tomorrow.** In addition, scheduled events and programming at PSB spaces will proceed normally.

**Heated indoor spaces will be available for use during school pick-up and drop-off.**

# Extreme Cold Temperatures Tomorrow



The Brookline Education Foundation (BEF) is excited to launch the nomination process for two prestigious awards: The **Caverly Award**, which honors excellence in teaching, and the **Sperber Award**, which honors excellence in administration.

PSB students, staff, and community members are invited to submit nominations, before this year's deadline of **Friday, March 24**. You can find more information on the BEF website ([www.brooklinefoundation.org](http://www.brooklinefoundation.org))



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# Call for BEF Caverly and Sperber Awards



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PSB will celebrate the return of the All-Town Chorus Concert. This two-night event at the Brookline High School Roberts/Dubbs Auditorium will feature performances from all of our middle school choruses and our three BHS choruses.

Each chorus will perform separately, and the performance will finish with a large combined piece at the end that all students sing together.

- **Night 1: Wednesday, February 8, 7:00 p.m.**  
Featuring Baker, Driscoll, Heath, Pierce, and BHS students
- **Night 2: Thursday, February 9, 7:00 p.m.**  
Featuring Lawrence, Lincoln, Ruffin Ridley, Runkle, and BHS students

# All-Town Chorus Concert Returns Next Week!

- The Brookline Educators for Educational Diversity (BEED) team is hosting their annual recruiting/networking on **Wednesday, February 8**, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Golden Temple Restaurant.



SCAN ME

RSVP Here



**Calling all Educators of Color!**

Please join our Brookline Public Schools Educators for Educator Diversity Team at Golden Temple for some tasty refreshments and riveting conversation at our annual networking and **RECRUITING** event.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, 2023**

**6:00 - 7:30PM**

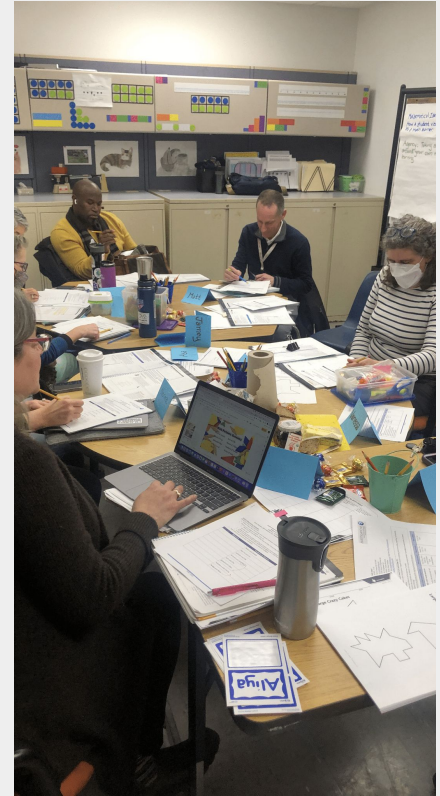
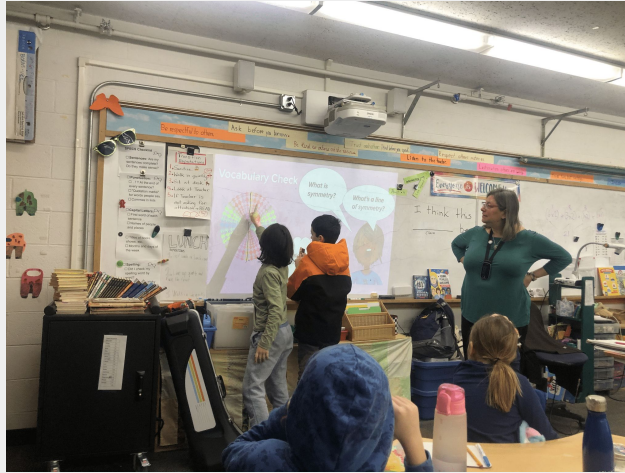
**GOLDEN TEMPLE 1651 BEACON ST. BROOKLINE.**



*Sponsored by Brookline Educators for Educator Diversity* ✓

## BEED Recruiting Event

Recently Completed	
Lawrence	Friday, 1/20
Runkle	Tuesday, 1/24
BHS	Wednesday, 2/1
Heath	Wednesday, 2/1
Driscoll	Thursday, 2/2
Upcoming	
Lawrence	Monday, 2/6
Baker	Tuesday, 2/7
Pierce	Thursday, 2/9
BEEP	Friday, 2/10



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# Superintendent School Visits



- Joined the PSB Educators of Color Reception on **Friday, January 20** at BHS (sponsored by B.E.E.D - Brookline Educators for Educational Diversity)
- Participated in the M.A.S.S. Executive Committee and Mid-Winter Meetings, **Wednesday, January 25 and Thursday, January 26.**
- Tomorrow morning (Friday) I will be joining the Heath PTO at their monthly meeting.



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## Community Events



# February 2023

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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### Progress Reports/Report Cards Published for K-8 Students

- Cycle 1 for Students K-5
- Term 2 for Students 6-8

WED  
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### Report Cards Published for BHS Students

- Quarter 2 for Students 9-12

MON  
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### Schools Closed: February Vacation

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WED  
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THU  
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FRI  
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District Offices will also be closed on *Monday, February 20*, in observance of **Presidents Day**.

[www.brookline.k12.ma.us/calendar](http://www.brookline.k12.ma.us/calendar)

### Other Upcoming Observances

- **Black History Month:** Wednesday, February 1 to Tuesday, February 28
- **30th Anniversary of the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA):** Sunday, February 5
- **Parinirvana (Nirvana) Day (Buddhism):** Wednesday, February 15
- **Mahashivaratri (Hinduism):** Saturday, February 18
- **Presidents Day:** Monday, February 20
- **International Mother Language Day:** Tuesday, February 21
- **Ash Wednesday/First Day of Lent (Christianity):** Wednesday, February 22



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- **Progress Reports for K-8 Students Published:** Friday, February 3
- **Progress Reports for 9-12 Students Published:** Wednesday, February 8
- **February Vacation:** Monday, February 20 to Friday, February 24



# Spotlight on Excellence:

## Pierce School - Girls on the Run Program