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Dear Parents,

July 20, 2010

Welcome to Melrose Public Schools' after school enrichment programming for elementary students, Education Stations. We are glad to your child will be joining peers and familiar school staff members to learn, socialize and play at the end of the academic day! Thanks to those of you who helped make our first year so successful, and we look forward to another exciting year of programming. Education Stations will continue to support the social, physical, and intellectual development of students through providing a balanced schedule of activities during the 2010-2011 school year.

Education Stations' after school program consists of three blocks of time: the red, blue and green lines. Upon the release of school at 2:20, students have free play (outdoors weather permitting) and a snack each day, a time period known as the **red line**. Beginning at 3:15, students then participate in the **blue line** and choose two of three daily rotating stations: 1) The Daily Sampler; 2) Move and Groove; or 3) Homework Zone. The *Daily Sampler* station provides a variety of activities throughout the week such as art, cooking, building/construction, music, science, drama, language, computer lab/technology and literacy/library time. The *Move and Groove* station provides a fun way for students to get daily physical exercise through teambuilding, gym games, cooperative challenges, and traditional sports. In the *Homework Zone*, students may complete reading or assignments in a quiet work environment with access to academic support. When rotating stations conclude at 4:30, students staying for the **green line** then participate in extended day programming. Students may choose among several leisurely activities and still have access to homework support during the extended day. Programming concludes at 6:00. Parents may register for different train lines daily, or on a drop in basis, but **pre-registration is required**.

Tuition is due by the first day of each respective month. Please make checks payable to "Melrose Public Schools" and reference your "child's name" on the memo line. During the summer vacation, please mail registration and payments to Education Stations c/o Melrose Public Schools 360 Lynn Fells Parkway Melrose, MA 02176. ***After school begins, please send payment and direct all correspondence to the site your child attends.*** Information and registration forms are available by clicking the "Education Stations" link at www.MelroseSchools.com.

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The first day of Education Stations for children entering grades 1 through 5 is TUESDAY, August 31, 2010. The first day for kindergarten students will be Tuesday, September 7th. The program will not operate on Friday, September 3rd and Monday, September 6th as schools are closed in observance of Labor Day.

Thanks for being a part of your neighborhood elementary school's after school enrichment program!

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Casey
Superintendent

Dr. Heather Josephson
Director

Arianna Miliotis
Head Site Lead