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Dear

With the start of a new school year I usually feel a shiver of excitement. Perhaps it's a new room, or some new furniture; it's always seeing the new faces and the effects of summer on the old familiar faces. If you are like me, this year you are a bit concerned about the prospects for our leadership roles in some schools. It's times like these that we all need to know we are not alone - in our school, our state, or the nation.

By joining your local professional organization, the Maine Association of School Libraries (MASL), you are immediately in the loop of school library advocacy. You are important in Maine, and your opportunity to grow in our profession is nurtured. Whatever your training, you need us and we need you.

Please join or re-join MASL now - while you think of it.

**Cool news:** MASL and the Maine Reading Association (MRA) are co-hosting a one-day conference **October 15th in Augusta**. The speaker will be **Donalyn Miller** author of ***The Book Whisperer***, (Jossey-Bass, 2009). MASL will be holding our, very short, annual meeting\* during this conference.

**More Cool News:** InVESTment - MASL is there for you! Need a local coach, some advice, or a support group? We are making the InVESTment in you. Stay tuned.

We are on Facebook in two locations:

For education -- <https://www.facebook.com/pages/MASL-Maine-Association-of-School-Libraries/135798249792097>,

And as a group -- <https://www.facebook.com/pages/MASL-Maine-Association-of-School-Libraries/135798249792097>. Please join us and let your voice be heard.

\*The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to keep our members informed, to elect new officers, and to listen to your concerns. Since this is a brief meeting we need to have all our nominations before we meet, although there is always a time for nominations from the floor. If you are interested in working on the MASL Board and in promoting the work of our profession, then step forward at this time! Before you forget! Email me, [pbecksvoort@falmouthschools.org](mailto:pbecksvoort@falmouthschools.org), or Edna Comstock, [MASL@gwi.net](mailto:MASL@gwi.net). Do this NOW, while you are thinking about it. Make it easy on yourself.

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