## WELCOME TO THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR!

Our teachers, ed. techs, admin assistants, related services providers, and leadership team are happy to see students and families again! Whether you are part of our preschool program, our Portland or Brewer site-based programs, or our outreach programs, we hope your school year is off to a great start!

## **SUMMER MEMORIES**

We had a fun and educational summer here at MECDHH/GBSD. Between our extended school year (ESY) program, family playgroup meetups, our annual Family Learning Day in July, and a Back to School BBQ & Island Campus Cleanup, we were busy! It's always nice to stay connected with students and families throughout the summer.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

- We currently serve over 700 students across the state of Maine.
- Our campus on Mackworth Island houses a preschool and most of our staff offices.
- We have an office in Bangor where 5 of our northern staff work.
- We have 3 dedicated classrooms in Portland Public Schools: East End Community School, Lyman Moore Middle School, and Portland High School.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Deaf Culture Festival: 9/28, 9am-4pm @ MECDHH/GBSD.
- School Board meeting: 10/3, 5:30pm @ MECDHH/GBSD Cafeteria
- <u>Community Unity Commemoration</u> of last year's tragedy in Lewiston: 10/26, 12pm, @ Brick South in Portland
- The return of <u>Kids Like Me</u> for middle/high school students this fall!
   For more info: <u>www.mecdhh.org/events/</u>

