



SKYLLS April 2024

South Kingstown Year-Long Learning Supports



Governor McKee Celebrates Reading PALS

On April 29th, Governor Dan McKee visited Peace Dale Elementary School (PDES) Reading PALS - a LEARN365RI grant-funded initiative - to celebrate the last day of the program this spring. The Governor commended the eighteen students for their hard work practicing reading and shared a special citation with twenty URI students serving as mentors and tutors. Everyone enjoyed a Brickley's ice cream party, received handmade lap quilts, made bookmarks, and received new books for their home libraries. We thank everyone who contributed to the success of Reading PALS this spring!



SK Students Tour URI

Nineteen students, along with their loved ones, visited URI on April 27th to learn about access to postsecondary education in our town! URI Admissions officers shared financial aid and college access information and the Director of URI Library Innovation Labs led a workshop in the Makerspace alongside URI students. This was a great opportunity to envision life on a college campus and consider goals to earn a college degree. The tour concluded with an all-you-care-to-eat lunch at Mainfare Dining Hall!

The Well-Adjusted Child

Dr. Ellen Flannery-Schroeder, URI Professor and Director of Training in Clinical Psychology, presented two workshops to local parents and providers about how to raise children and adolescents who can respond with courage during anxiety and hope in the face of depression and/or difficulties.

THE WELL-ADJUSTED CHILD & ADOLESCENT WORKSHOP

Join us for this free workshop to learn techniques for raising children and adolescents who can respond with courage during anxiety, and hope in the face of depression and/or difficulties.

- Presented by Dr. Ellen Flannery-Schroeder, URI Professor and Director of Training in Clinical Psychology
- 1.5-hour presentation will include practical techniques, real-life examples, and opportunities for questions and answers
- To register, scan the QR code or call (401) 515-7482
- Light refreshments will be served

REGISTER HERE

The Jonnycake Center for Hope
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MAY 7 | 6-7:30 PM
-OR-
MAY 8 | 8:30-10 AM

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Tutoring at BRMS

Twenty-eight Broad Rock Middle School (BRMS) students enrolled in an after-school tutoring program that began in April and will meet several times each week. Eight BRMS staff



members have been hired to provide tutoring. The goal of this extra academic support is to increase attendance, improve academic achievement, and help BRMS students finish the school year off strong.

3,100

 Total out-of-school time hours since September

Upcoming Activities

May

13

Tomaquag Museum Workshops

A professional development opportunity for South Kingstown School District staff to learn about historical trauma in Indigenous Communities.

May

20

Trauma-informed Teaching

A second professional development workshop for Broad Rock Middle School staff. Merry Caswell, a renowned expert on trauma and toxic stress among students, will provide strategies and tactics to diffuse situations in the classroom.



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