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Peabody EDUCATION *Foundation*

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The Cara E. Murtagh Memorial Scholarship



Do You Know a Student Interested in Pursuing a Career in Education?

Do you know of a student interested in pursuing a career in the field of education, possesses a strong work ethic, demonstrates excellent organizational and preparation skills, is engaged in the community, has achieved good academic standing, and is self-motivated?

The Cara E. Murtagh Memorial Scholarship is provided by the Peabody Education Foundation as a way to honor our dear friend Cara's memory. On a yearly basis, we award a PVMHS senior with a scholarship to help with their college education. Cara was an active member of our Foundation where she spearheaded many of our programs and events.

After Cara's passing, the Murtagh family had generously asked that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Peabody Education Foundation. Donations and messages came in from across the country attesting to the love and admiration so many shared for her.

Through this Scholarship, we hope to preserve Cara's dedication and commitment to the education of the school children of Peabody for years to come.

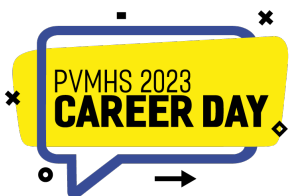
This year, we are thrilled to present a second scholarship through the generosity of the Splaine Family Trust!

Please encourage them to apply for the Scholarship at:

<https://www.peabodyedfoundation.org/scholarship/>

The deadline is Friday, April 14, 2022.

Career Day



Career Day is BACK at PVMHS! | Thursday April 13th, 2023 – 9am – 11am

The Peabody Education Foundation is currently looking for local businesses and nonprofit organizations to participate in their 2023 Career Day! Annually, the Peabody Education

Foundation hosts a Career Day at Peabody Veterans Memorial High School (PVMHS) to give students exposure to professions or fields that they may know little about.

This year, we have scheduled Career Day to be held at PVMHS on Thursday morning, April 13th, 2023 from 9am-11am. The event will be conducted in a trade show format, with over 500 students expected to participate.

If you know of any businesses or organizations that would like to participate in Career Day, please have them register on the PEF website at:

<https://peabodyedfoundation.org/programs/career-day/>

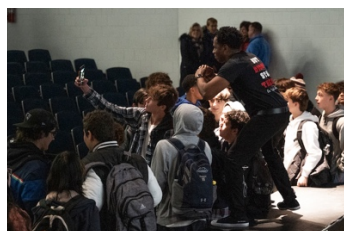
Mental Wellness Initiative



Dr. Adolph Brown a hit with PVMHS students!

On February 3, 2023, the Peabody Education Foundation and the Peabody School Department were pleased to bring Dr. Adolph Brown to PVMHS to speak to High School students.

An award-winning author, highly sought-after corporate thought leader, television personality and distinguished master teacher, Dr. Brown's unconventional approach has been enormously empowering, and it transcends differences of every kind – political, philosophical, religious, socio-economic, generational, gender, lifestyle, etc. Dr. Brown is admired around the world for his simple, yet powerful, universal, timeless teachings.



TIGER at all Peabody elementary schools!

The Peabody Education Foundation is excited to be sponsoring TIGER performances at all eight elementary schools in February and March for a total of 12 shows!

TIGER is a powerful and exciting collaboration between the Integrated Arts and School Counseling graduate programs at Plymouth State University in New Hampshire. Now in their 20th season, TIGER is a professional theater company designed to help children, schools, parents, and communities deal positively and proactively with social issues and concerns facing children in schools today.



Ice Cream Social to Thank Teachers and Staff!

On March 17, at the conclusion of Professional Development Day, the PEF will be scooping ice cream as a thank you to Peabody teachers and staff for all of the work they do throughout the year for our students!

*Special thanks to **Treadwell's Ice Cream** for donating the ice cream and to all of our PEF volunteers!*

Special thanks to North Shore Bank, JB Thomas-Lahey Foundation, GraVoc Charitable Foundation and the Lyon-Waugh Auto Group for their continuous support of the Mental Wellness Initiative!

**Thank you
teachers & staff
for ALL that
you do!**
Enjoy a scoop on us!

March 17th, 2023
Conclusion of Professional Development Day

Sponsored by:

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Community Update



Save the Date for PEF'S "Run for the Roses!"

On Saturday, May 13, the PEF will be sponsoring a Kentucky Derby Party at the Black Box Theater in downtown Peabody. It will be a great night of fun and food and friends, and all proceeds benefit the programs for the Peabody Education Foundation!

Bring your friends and join us for a memorable evening and help support the Foundation! More information to come!

PEF Grants Program



Thank you to all the teachers who applied for PEF Grants!

The deadline for applications for the PEF Grants Program has passed and more than 50 applications were received this year! The Grants Committee funded more than 40 applications for a total of almost \$50,000!

Below is a sample of the grants funded this school year. We encourage you to start thinking about possible projects for next school year! Talk to other teachers in your school who have been funded and learn about the easy process of applying!

| 2022-2023 PEF GRANTS FUNDED ... | |
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| Grant Program: | Description: |
| STEAM Night / Burke School | A portable hands-on Steam Museum comes to the school |
| Classroom Magazines / Center School & Higgins | Jr. Scholastic and New York Times Upfront subscriptions for 8th Graders |
| Let's Find Out / Welch School | Scholastic Classroom magazines for kindergartners |
| Young Audiences Arts for Learning / Peabody Learning Academy | Performing and visual arts programs |
| Partnering with the Peabody Police / District-wide: 2 nd & 3 rd Grades | Peabody Police officers reading specific books to 2nd and 3rd graders across the district |
| Sensory Walls / Brown School | A space on a school wall that provides touch sensory input to children's fingers and hands, allowing children to explore their senses. |

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| Welch School Chess Club | Developing learning and chess skills for students |
| Mindfulness in the Classrooms / Welch School | A visit and books from Dr. Christopher Willard who spoke to and read to the students/teachers about how "Breathing makes it better" |
| Legacy Pins & Tiles / PVMHS | An interactive ceramic mural about connections through identity |
| Exploring Literature / Center School | Scholastic Storybook Magazines exposing grades 3-5 students to a variety of genres in literature |
| Field Trips / PVMHS, Welch, Higgins, & South School | "A Christmas Carol" "House of Seven Gables" "Romeo & Juliet" "Maple Sugaring" "Curious George Musical" "Museum of Science" "Paul Revere House" |
| Classroom Calm Spots / Welch School | Social/emotional support materials for classrooms |
| Spectrum Yoga / Higgins & PVMHS | Yoga program designed for special needs students |
| The Observer / PVMHS | Printing costs for the High School literary magazine |
| First Families of Plimoth Colony / Brown School | A live performance of a resident of 1627 Plimoth Colony brought to 3rd grade students |
| Paper Pulp Painting / PVMHS | A paper making project |
| Integrating the Integument / PVMHS | Program brings science to cosmetology students |
| Learning with Brainpop / McCarthy School | Children's educational website |
| Bringing Social Studies to the 4th Graders / McCarthy School | Atlases for 4 th Graders |
| STEM Vehicle Building Kits / Higgins | Kits for 7 th Graders learning about energy, electricity and magnetism |
| STAR Positive Praise Materials / Center School | Materials to educate students on critical social-emotional topics |
| Constructing 3DP's for rapid-prototyping / PVMHS | Materials to construct functional 3D printers for Junior Electronic Engineering Students |
| Ecosystem Health / Higgins | Materials for hands-on experience collecting and analyzing wetland ecosystem health data |

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| Cultivating Curls / PVMHS | Purchase mannequins for cosmetology students |
| Everyday Speech / Center School | Curriculum to cover students' social-emotional learning and social communication needs |
| Food Truck and Clay Food Design Project / Center School | Materials to design 3D food trucks, menus and food to assist students with innovation and problem solving |
| Making Chemistry Visual / PVMHS | Online platform designed to engage students with interactive videos |
| Tyto Online / Higgins | Online platform providing video for students to explore science phenomena and solve problems |
| PVMHS Model United Nations | Registration fees for Model UN Program |
| Tribe: On Homecoming and Belonging / PLA and PREP | Books exploring tribal societies |
| Printing Support in the Preschool Classroom / McCarthy School | Materials assisting preschool students how to print |
| Introduction to Robotics Engineering / PVMHS | Materials for constructing, troubleshooting and operating functional robots for engineering students |
| Creating Calm in the Classroom and Beyond / Higgins | Tools to help students focus on academics and overcome anxiety |

Guest Reader Program



Update on our Guest Reader Program

Thank you to all of the teachers and guest readers who have signed up for this wonderful program! The program began in January and wraps up in late May. If you have any questions, please contact Marj Macarelli at macarellim@peabody.k12.ma.us or Barbara Kelly at b.kelly27@verizon.net.

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