



Dates to Remember!!

4/11—Spring Pictures  
4/12 — Gr6 MCAS  
4/13 — Gr 6 MCAS  
4/14 — Gr3 & 4 MCAS  
4/15 — 1/2 Day of School

4/27 — Gr 8 MCAS  
4/28 — Gr 8 MCAS

5/3 — Gr 6 MCAS  
5/4 — Gr6 MCAS  
5/6 — Gr 7 MCAS

5/10 — Gr 7 MCAS  
5/11— Gr 8 MCAS  
5/12 — Gr 3 & 4 MCAS  
5/13 — Gr 8 MCAS

5/17 — Gr 5 & 8 MCAS  
5/18 — Gr 5 MCAS  
5/19 — Gr 3, 4 MCAS  
5/20 — Gr 8 MCAS

6/14/22—8th Grade Graduation  
\*\*\*CHANGE OF DATE\*\*\*

## Important Reminders

- Kiss & Ride — Pre-K & K—Be in line ready at 2:45 Grades 1-8—Be in line no earlier than 2:55
- Celebration Day- April 29

# RICHMOND SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DAN WESTON, PRINCIPAL

## FROM PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:

Dear RCS Community

We had a great week at RCS! It seems like spring is finally gaining a foothold. Our Jazz Band held a concert for the first time in 2 years. The students performed 4 songs to an audience of family and 5th through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Click [HERE](#) to watch video from concert. Tonight, we have the Annual Richmond Recreation Committee Ping Pong Tournament. Registration begins at 5 p.m. in the gym. All are welcome to participate.

The Massachusetts Audubon worked with our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders on the concept of animal adaptations. They looked at the skulls of local mammals to see how the skulls have adapted to help the animals survive. They will continue working with our third grade for the next few weeks.

We have three more days of MCAS testing this coming week. All of our 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes will have completed the English Language Arts assessment before vacation. Students who have missed a testing session will make up those session the weeks of April 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

Dan Weston

### MCAS Schedule Week of April 11<sup>h</sup>

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Make Ups	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade ELA 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA	½ Day of School

Monday, April 11	Tuesday, April 12	Wednesday, April 13	Thursday, April 14	Friday, April 15
Chicken Mexican Lasagna	Farmhouse Burrito (ground beef, house fries, eggs, cheese)	Crispy Buffalo Chicken sandwich on a roll	Spaghetti w/meat sauce	1/2 Day Spanish Rice Salad
Corn Rice	Caesar Salad	Seasoned Potatoes	Green Beans	Corn Bread
Fruit	Fruit	Veggie Sticks	Garlic Bread	Fruit
Sandwich: PBJ	Sandwich: PBJ	Fruit Sandwich: PBF	Fruit Sandwich: PBJ	<b>Only Option</b>

*This institution is an equal opportunity provider*

**LUNCHES ARE FREE** per The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) who announced the extension of flexibilities to allow universal free lunch meals including beverage to be available to all children and teens **throughout the entire School Year 2021-2022.**

**We encourage you to have your student try our delicious home cooked lunches.**



**Richmond Consolidated School**

1831 State Road  
 Richmond, MA 01254  
 413-698-2207  
 413-698-3199(fax)

Dan Weston,  
 PRINCIPAL

Richmondconsolidated.org

Click [here](#) to find the 2021-2022 Free and Reduced Lunch Application.

Sign up for "myschoolbucks" to track student snack purchases in real time.

**Town of Richmond** If you suspect your child may have special needs and is three years old or older, please call the Special Education Director, Mary Shook, at 413-698-4001 to schedule an evaluation.



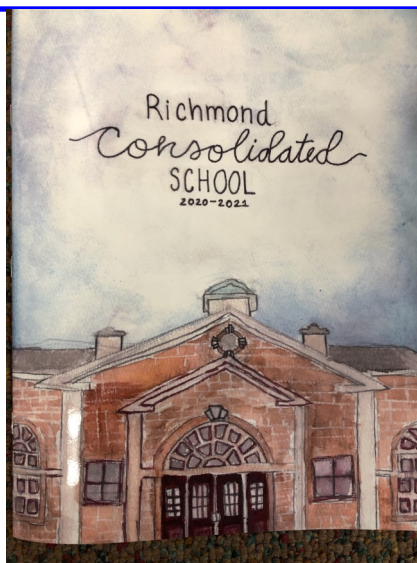
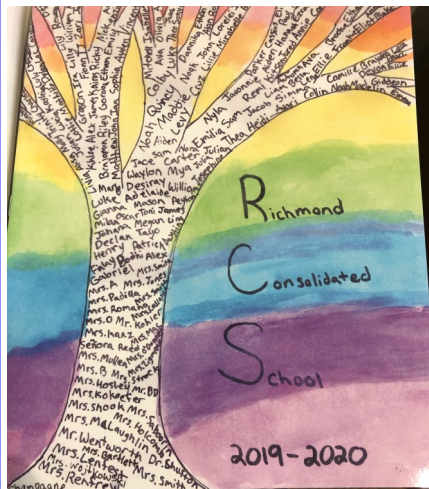
Lost and Found is located on the stage in the cafeteria.



7th graders enjoying a movement break before MCAS testing

Dear RCS Families,

The 2022 Richmond Consolidated School yearbook is happy to report that we are filling this year's book with all the memories and moments we can capture.



If by some chance, you have not purchased a yearbook yet, please reserve your copy today! [HERE](#) is the link for online purchases, which can also be found on the RCS website homepage, OR a yearbook can also be purchased by sending in a check or cash to the office- a

yearbook order form is being sent home with students this week. The cost of the yearbook is \$22 and checks can be made out to RCS PTA.

We want to make sure everyone that wants a yearbook has one. Please know that we only produce yearbooks based upon those pre-ordered. Any that we happen to get above and beyond are on a first come first served basis so don't miss out!



Thank you for your time and attention!!

Ronna E. Zigmand  
Technology Teacher  
Richmond Consolidated School

Click [HERE](#) to preview this year's yearbook promo video.

Annual Richmond Recreation Committee

# ping pong tournament

Friday, April 8th 2022  
 Registration 5pm. Games begin at 6pm  
 Richmond Consolidated School Gym  
 \$5 or \$15 for Family  
 Play for all ages  
 Pizza and Refreshments will be available

# DON'T BUG ME! I'M READING!

The display board features a green caterpillar on the left, a yellow and black striped bee in the center, and a pink butterfly on the right. The background is black with a green scalloped border at the top and bottom. The text "DON'T BUG ME! I'M READING!" is written in large blue letters at the top. Below the text, there are approximately 20 "BOOK REVIEW" cards, each with a title, a drawing, and a rating. The cards are arranged in two rows, with some overlapping. The caterpillar, bee, and butterfly are cutouts that appear to be part of the display.

**Richmond School Committee  
Meeting Agenda**

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 -  
6:00 PM

***Meeting to be held by conference call and in person due to the COVID-19.***

An Executive Order from the Governor of Massachusetts relieves public bodies from the requirement in the Open Meeting Law that meetings be conducted in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public, provided that the public body makes provision to ensure public access to the deliberations through telephone, internet, or satellite enabled audio or video conferencing or any other technology that enables the public to clearly follow the proceedings of the public body in real time.

In addition, all members of a public body may participate in a meeting remotely; the Open Meeting Law's requirement that a quorum of the body and the chair be physically present at the meeting location is suspended.

All other provisions of the Open Meeting Law, such as the requirements regarding posting notice of meetings and creating and maintaining accurate meeting minutes, as well as the limited, enumerated purposes for holding an executive session, remain in effect.

JOIN WITH GOOGLE MEET

[meet.google.com/iwq-dbye-gwf](https://meet.google.com/iwq-dbye-gwf)

Phone Numbers

[\(US\)+1 574-334-7822](tel:+15743347822)

PIN: 413 452 774#

Call to order

Public Comments

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Civics Project – Julia Sabourin

Review and approve minutes: 3/8/2022

Principal's Report

Learning Update

Superintendent's report

Budget Update

Nutrition Review (next steps)

Covid-19 Update

RSDPB (Regional School District Planning Board – 8 towns)

Revisiting shared services to consolidation

Special Education Director's report

Policy – 2nd reading section E

-1<sup>st</sup> reading AC and ACAB policy

Update on Bylaw to expand School Committee

Update on Berkshire Hills/Southern Berkshire merger

Financial Report

Other unforeseen items

Adjournment



Join us for the next PTA meeting  
Wed. April 13, 6:30

<https://meet.google.com/faj-hmnt-ovy>

#### Agenda

Finance: income and expenses

Events: Bike Race and Color Run

Clean Up day?

June School Events

Registration is  
open for the PTA  
bicycle race and  
bike decorating  
contest.

Saturday, April  
30<sup>th</sup> 10AM

Colonial Acres neighborhood, Grist Mill Rd.  
Richmond



\*Registration is for planning purposes. Based on participation numbers, we will run grade level heats or heats of similarly aged kids.

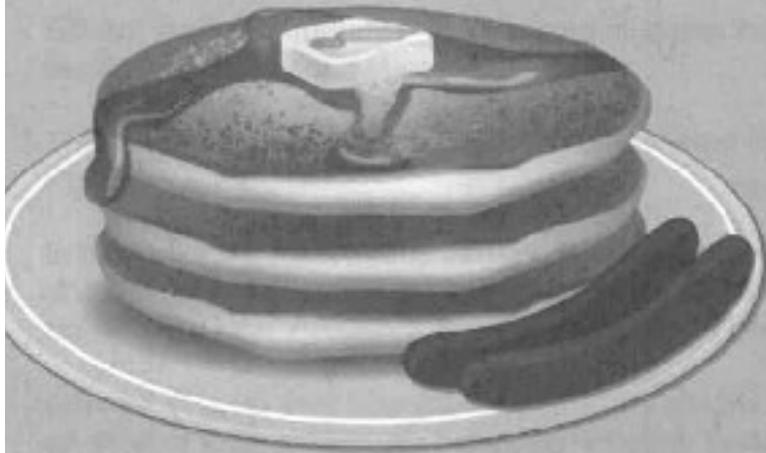
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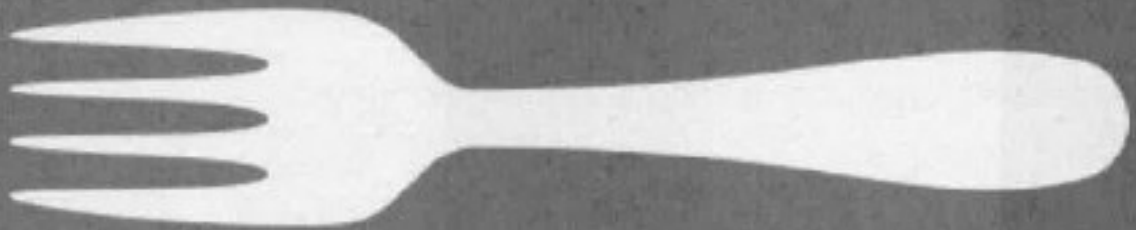
APRIL

30th

SATURDAY



*\$5.00 - Proceeds to  
benefit the  
Richmond Fuel Fund*



*Please Join Us For Our*

# **PANCAKE**

**Breakfast and Town Cleanup**

**Grab-n Go**

- Volunteers Needed

**7:30 -9:30**

**Richmond Consolidated School**

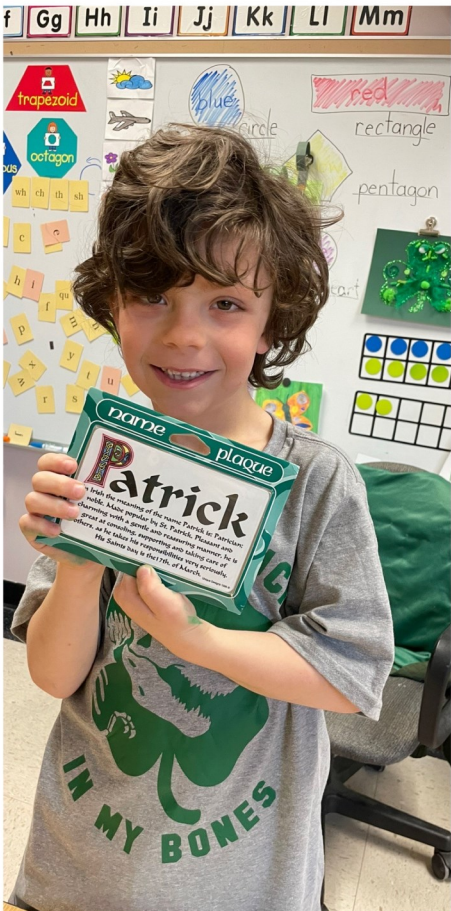
**Kindergarten Bulletin Boards show student art inspired by Eric Carle.**



Kindergarten is learning about composting.



# Kindergarten St. Patty's Day Shenanigans !!





Grade 4 had their first all class music session with instruments!



Jazz band practicing on Thursday morning for their concert on Thursday afternoon

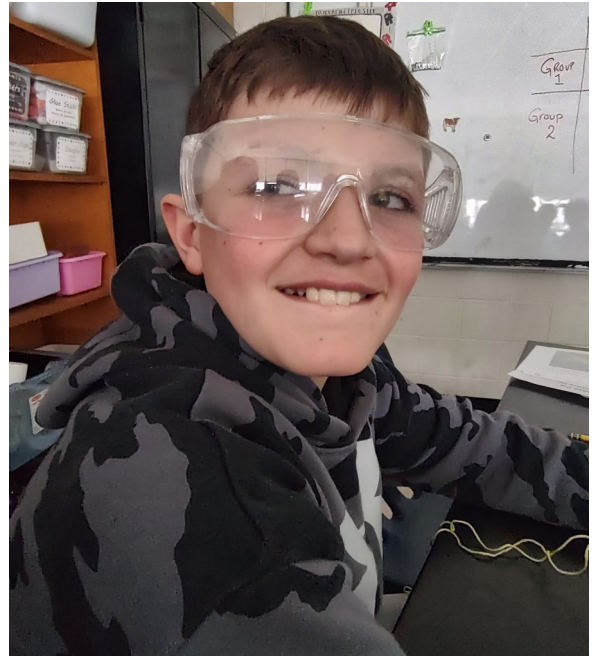


We are almost finished with the *Grade 2* passion projects, today we did another green screen video with Josephine McMahon talking about what she learning about Harry Potter





**Wanted: Gently used toys and games (especially stuffed animals)!**  
Mrs. Smith is looking for items for the third grade class store. If you find yourself looking for a place to donate these items, please let her know at [bsmith@richmondconsolidated.org](mailto:bsmith@richmondconsolidated.org). Thank you!



5th Grade  
Learning Fun  
with  
MA Audubon and  
HVA





### **Berkshire Girls Lacrosse (Grades 1-8)**

Online registration for Berkshire Girls Lacrosse is now open at [www.berkshirlacrosse.com](http://www.berkshirlacrosse.com). The program is open to girls in grades 1-8 in Pittsfield and the surrounding towns.

Instructional Lacrosse – grades 1 & 2

Bantams – grades 3 & 4

Juniors – grades 5 & 6

Seniors – grades 7 & 8

The program runs from early April to early June. The fee is \$50 for the instructional program and \$75 for bantams, juniors, and seniors. Equipment required includes a lacrosse stick, protective goggles, a mouth guard and cleats. (Cleats are not required for the instructional program).

For more information contact Jeff Murray at [jmurray11@yahoo.com](mailto:jmurray11@yahoo.com)

What a wonderful surprise! The TOP 4 winners for this year's March Mammal Madness were from 4 different classes!

1st place went to Theo Curletti in 6th grade with 101 points.

2nd place went to Mary Long in 5th grade with 97 points.

3rd place went to Eva Allen-Vargas in 8th grade with 96 points.

4th place went to Noah Stover in 7th grade with 95 points.



Congratulations!

Thank you PTA for supporting us and providing our winners with prizes.



## March Madness 2022: Poetry Edition Winning Poem "Hair" by Elizabeth Acevedo

The following middle schoolers correctly predicted this win. See Mrs. Kanz for your prize!

- |            |          |             |          |
|------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| ~ Bella D. | ~ Eva    | ~ Maddie H. | ~ Sam T. |
| ~ Khloe    | ~ Quinn  | ~ Jack G.   | ~ Mia    |
| ~ Ethan    | ~ Noelle |             |          |

\* A big *Thank You* to the RCS PTA for sponsoring this annual event!

**Richmond Free Public Library**  
2821 State Road, Richmond, MA

# **Celebrating Mothers!**

**Saturday May 7th**  
**9:00 to 2:00**



**All Patrons receive a Flower!**

**Sponsored by the Friends of the Richmond Library.**



# Sing for Peace

**Kids Benefit for Ukraine**  
**Concert Friday, April 22 6:00PM**  
 Rehearsals for Kids Ages 5-13:  
**Tue 4/19, Thur 4/21 & Fri 4/22 From 9AM-11AM**

**Free to Participate**  
**Donations Collected at Concert for Ukrainian Aid**

Rehearsals & Concert at  
**The First Congregational Church of Stockbridge**

**Required Registration to Sing**

**songsailormusic@yahoo.com**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScDz9D3hG35Qv-PVGGY88u7Y9sq9TvCPGcds27EezGcnA4PjA/viewform>





# MARY POPE OSBORNE

Presented by

Richmond Free Public Library, Stockbridge Library and West Stockbridge Library



**FREE**

**AUTHOR  
PRESENTATION  
AND BOOK  
SIGNING**

**Where:** West Stockbridge  
Town Gym

**When:** Saturday April 16  
2022

**Time:** 11:00AM

\*Thanks to the  
Local Massachusetts Cultural Councils



Mass  
Cultural  
Council



A REFORM JEWISH SUMMER CAMP



# EISNER DAY CAMP

LOCATED IN GREAT BARRINGTON, MA



## Campers 4-8 years old

Age 4 by July 1, 2022 to rising 2nd grader

### Week-long sessions:

**June 27 - August 12, 2022**

Optional pick-up & drop-off service

Financial assistance available upon request

Attentive, caring  
and energetic staff!

Day Camp fun includes  
boating, swimming, farm,  
sports, crafts, drama, music  
and trip days!

413.528.1652 | [eisnercamp.org](http://eisnercamp.org) | [eisnerdaycamp@urj.org](mailto:eisnerdaycamp@urj.org)

This program is neither sponsored or endorsed by Richmond Consolidated School

# **GREAT BARRINGTON GIRLS SOFTBALL SPRING 2022**

Juniors: Grades 2/3/4/5

Seniors: Grades 6/7/8

Both divisions will play games against teams from Great Barrington, Lee, Sheffield and Canaan.

1 – 2 practices a week, 1 – 2 games a week, starting ~ April 25<sup>th</sup>

No Games Saturday or Sunday

Please register your softball player(s) using this online jotform link.

<https://form.jotform.com/220514401894148>

Please complete and submit the JotForm for each player separately.

**Registration Deadline: April 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Single Player: \$65.00**

**Family Max: \$100.00**

CHECKS PAYABLE/MAIL TO:

Great Barrington Girls Softball

c/o Ellyn Dupont

355 North Plain Rd

Housatonic, MA 01230

REGISTRATION QUESTIONS:

[gbyouthsoftball@gmail.com](mailto:gbyouthsoftball@gmail.com)

Ellyn Dupont

413-446-8567

Coaches, Assistants and Volunteers always needed.

Shannon Devergilio [shannonwd72@gmail.com](mailto:shannonwd72@gmail.com)

Sherie Ross [sherieross12@gmail.com](mailto:sherieross12@gmail.com)



**TO  
RICHMOND CONSOLIDATED  
FAMILIES:**

**SPECIAL EARLY  
REGISTRATION DISCOUNT:  
10% OFF TO ALL  
CAMPER REGISTERED AND PAID IN FULL  
BEFORE MAY 1, 2022.**

**[WWW.EDENHILLSUMMERDAYCAMP.COM](http://WWW.EDENHILLSUMMERDAYCAMP.COM)**

Located At Berkshire Country Day School, 55 Interlaken Rd  
On The Beautiful Brook Farm Campus Route 183  
Stockbridge, Massachusetts

## 46th YEAR IN CAMP WORK

7 WEEKS - 3 SESSIONS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 4-12

SESSIONS: 1) JUNE 27 - JULY 15 2) JULY 18 - JULY 29 3) AUG 01 - AUG 12

### EXTENDED CAMP HOURS!!

Monday - Thursday, 3PM-5PM - \$20 per day

*\*See our Extended Camp Application for more details*

### Cost

SESSION 1-\$750      SESSION 2 OR 3 OR ANY TWO WEEKS-\$650      WEEKLY-\$400      DAILY-\$100  
SEASONAL-\$1,650

*(SEASONAL RATE ONLY FOR CAMPERS THAT DESIGNATE SEASONAL STATUS PRIOR TO ENTERING)*

*\*A 10% REDUCTION FOR SEASONAL RATE FOR ADDITIONAL SIBLING ATTENDING.*

*\*\*ALL CAMP FEES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO OR UPON ENTERING CAMP.*

*ALL TRANSACTIONS ARE FINAL*

**\*\*ENCLOSE \$50 DEPOSIT WITH THIS APPLICATION FORM FOR EACH CAMPER\*\***

### MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

**MAIL TO:**

Richard Lenfest  
705 Fairview Street  
Lee, MA 01238

email: [rplenfest@roadrunner.com](mailto:rplenfest@roadrunner.com)  
[www.EdenHillSummerDayCamp.com](http://www.EdenHillSummerDayCamp.com)

\*You can also fill out our application form AND pay with a major credit card all online at [www.EdenHillSummerDayCamp.com](http://www.EdenHillSummerDayCamp.com)

# Application Form - 2022

Email \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ BOY/GIRL \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Summer phone \_\_\_\_\_

check session:

Session 1 (3 weeks)

Session 2 (2 weeks)

Session 3 (2 weeks)

June 27-July 01 \_\_\_\_\_

July 18-July 22 \_\_\_\_\_

Aug 01-Aug 05 \_\_\_\_\_

July 05-July 08 \_\_\_\_\_

July 25-July 29 \_\_\_\_\_

Aug 08-Aug 12 \_\_\_\_\_

July 12-July 15 \_\_\_\_\_

**Parental Consent:** Please check this above. I understand that neither the Eden Hill Summer Day Camp nor the proprietors of the grounds will assume responsibility for medical or dental expenses as a result of participation in camp activities. The applicant is in good health and is able to participate in all camp physical activities. In the event of injury or sickness the camp has my permission to provide medical care. Each camper should bring a certificate of insurative coverage, a certificate of a recent physical examination and current immunization record with entering camp.

I am checking this box because I do NOT authorize Eden Hill Day Camp to use recordings or photographs of my son/daughter on their website or social media sites.

\_\_\_\_\_ parent or guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Staff

Our camp staff is composed of professional teachers and student counselors from college and high schools.

## Director

Richard Tenfest (BS. in Physical Education and a M.Ed. in Administration) retired athletic director at Lee High School, who taught and coached in public education for 38 years. In 1992 he was elected to the Massachusetts Baseball Catcher Hall of Fame.

## General Information

**Camp Hours** -----Monday through Thursday, 9am-3pm **\*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*** early drop off is fun

Friday 9am-12 noon—please be prompt at pick up time

**\*NO CAMP ON MONDAY, JULY 4TH (Federal Holiday)**

**\*\*EXTENDED CAMP HOURS!!**

-Monday through Thursday, 3pm-5pm

-See Extended Camp application for signup and more information

**Camp Phone** -----413-822-6837 **Home Phone**----- 413-243-2686

**Snack & Lunch Hours**—Campers will be given time for a morning snack.

-Each camper will bring his/hers snack & lunch. (Non-perishable as no refrigeration)

-Campers should bring their own water bottle.

-We are peanut free so please no peanut products!

**Apparel**-----Each camper should purchase an emblem "E" shirt on entering camp for \$25.

**Letter**-----An informative letter will be mailed to each parent after application is made.

\*Eden Hill Summer Day Camp is in compliance with regulations of the Mass Dept. Of Public Health and is licensed by the Mass' Board of Health.

## Facilities

- 1.) Outdoor swimming- Certified lifeguard on duty at all times.
- 2.) A superb gymnasium for basketball, dance, games, and etc.
- 3.) Beautiful fields for baseball, softball, soccer and various other lead up games.
- 4.) Superb outdoor play equipment.
- 5.) Locker rooms for boys and girls.
- 6.) Picnic area
- 7.) Hiking trails
- 8.) Arts & crafts room
- 9.) Indoor games
- 10.) Video recorder for enjoy day movies.
- 11.) Talent shows held each session.



## Sheffield Play

Bushnell-Sage Library  
48 Main Street, Sheffield  
Every Tuesday @ 10:30am-11:30am  
Starts March 8<sup>th</sup>!

\*Join us for this fun parent/child playgroup at the library. This program will include free play, songs, literacy and learning activities. This program is free and open to the community. No registration is required, drop in! Best for families with children ages birth to 5. Masks will be required inside the library.

Questions? Contact Jess: [southberkshirekids@gmail.com](mailto:southberkshirekids@gmail.com)



MASSACHUSETTS  
Department of  
Early Education and Care

**\*\*South Berkshire Kids is funded by the Coordinated Family & Community Engagement (CFCE) grant provided to the Lee Public School District by the Department of Early Education and Care (EEC).**

# SHAKESPEARE & COMPANY

## 45<sup>TH</sup> SEASON

### Riotous YOUTH



SUMMER THEATER PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS 7-17  
TUESDAY, JULY 5 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

## ONE-WEEK SESSIONS

July 25–August 19 | \$425

For Students Ages 6–12

### IN THE WILD & WHISPERING WOODS

A fast-paced, one-week exploration of Shakespeare's characters as they encounter all manner of unexpected hijinks, love, and mysterious creatures in the woods, using text from *As You Like It*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *The Winter's Tale*.



## TWO-WEEK SESSIONS

July 5–August 12 | \$800

For Students Ages 7–15

These programs incorporate voice, movement, and acting to allow students to explore Shakespeare's text emotionally, physically, and intellectually, culminating in a performance-piece based on their experiences. This year, students will work with text from *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Macbeth*, and *The Tempest*.



## THREE-WEEK SESSIONS

August 1–19 | \$925

For Students Ages 13–17

This three-week, advanced program called Riotous Company is designed to provide actors heading into 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade the next step in their training. Students who have participated in Riotous Youth for at least two sessions or have equivalent experience in other Shakespeare & Company Education programs may apply. Classes include ensemble building, voice, movement, clown, fight, and acting, culminating in scene-performances chosen specifically for each participant.

*To ensure the health of our Shakespeare & Company community, all Riotous Youth and Riotous Company participants who are vaccine eligible must be vaccinated against COVID-19.*

### LEARN MORE



[shakespeare.org/riotous-youth](https://shakespeare.org/riotous-youth)

To learn more, apply, and access necessary program forms, visit [shakespeare.org/riotous-youth](https://shakespeare.org/riotous-youth).

For more information, contact Education Programs Administrator Megan Marchione at [mmarchione@shakespeare.org](mailto:mmarchione@shakespeare.org) or (413) 637 1199, ext. 172.



# Are you struggling to pay your primary heating bill?

*Fuel Assistance, also known as the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), can help low-income households with their heating bills. All heating types may be eligible for assistance: oil, propane, kerosene, coal, cord wood, wood pellets, natural gas, electric and even some households that have heat included in their rent.*

**For more information about Fuel Assistance:**

Central / South Berkshire: 413-445-4503

North Berkshire: 413-663-3014

Status line, available 24/7: 1-866-216-6200

[www.bcacinc.org](http://www.bcacinc.org)

## LIHEAP Income Guidelines

1	\$ 40,951
2	\$ 53,551
3	\$ 66,151
4	\$ 78,751
5	\$ 91,351
6	\$ 103,951
7	\$ 106,314
8	\$ 108,676

Fiscal Year 2022  
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)  
Income Eligibility and Benefit Levels

***Please help share this information:***

***Staying Warm This Winter - BCAC Can Help*** 2-1-22

We all know someone - whether a friend, neighbor, family member or co-worker - who could use a little help to stay warm this winter.

Berkshire Community Action Council (BCAC)'s Heating Fuel Assistance Program, provides income eligible households with help paying their heating bills. The program is accepting applications now through April 30th.

Homeowners and renters may both be eligible to receive help paying their winter heating bills.



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All primary heating types may be eligible for assistance, including oil, propane, kerosene, coal, cord wood, wood pellets, natural gas and electric.

Any household whose gross yearly income falls at or below the program income guidelines for the number of people in the household may be eligible.

For example, a household of one can have an income of up to \$40,951; a household of two can have an income of up to \$53,551; a household of four can have an income of up to \$78,751; and, a household of five can have an income of up to \$91,351 and be eligible.

BCAC has funding available to serve all eligible Berkshire County households.

Once a household is determined to be eligible for fuel assistance, the household may also be eligible for BCAC's Heating System Repair and Replacement and Home Weatherization Assistance Programs. Eligible households may also be eligible for BCAC's Refrigerator and Washing Machine Replacement Program, which replaces older high energy using models with new energy efficient ones.

For more information, individuals can call BCAC at 413-445-4503 (for Central/South County) or 413-663-3014 (for North County) Monday - Thursday between 9am to 3pm; or the 24-hour information line at 1-866-216-6200. The website is: [www.bcacinc.org](http://www.bcacinc.org).

Don't be left in the cold this winter. Call BCAC today.

## **Berkshire Athenaeum Children's Programs April 2022**

### **PRESCHOOL PLAY & LEARN W/ CFCE**

Thursdays 10–11 am

No Meeting 4/21

A variety of exploration opportunities for children 3-5 years old. Facilitated by Pittsfield CFCE.

### **PARENTCHILD+ PLAYGROUP**

Wednesdays 4–5 pm

Join ParentChild+ staff for an interactive, fun playgroup where children and their caregivers can socialize with peers. RSVP to Rhonda at [rbaczek@ccberkshire.org](mailto:rbaczek@ccberkshire.org) or (413) 443-0676, ext. 45.

### **SATURDAY PLAYGROUP**

Saturday, 4/2 10:30 am–12:00 pm

Join ParentChild+ and Pittsfield's CFCE for a children's literature themed program. Families will explore a variety of stations and children will receive a book to build their home library. Best for families with children 5 and under. Please contact Jenn Faulconer for more information, [jfaulconer@berksh.org](mailto:jfaulconer@berksh.org) or (413) 441-0974.

### **LEGO CLUB**

Tuesdays 3–4:30 pm

Come a build with the library's huge collection of LEGO Bricks! Ages 6-10.

### **FIRST CHAPTER FRIDAYS**

Friday, 4/8 3:30–4:30 pm

Stop by the library after school on the first Friday of each month to read the first chapter of a book together! A relaxing way to end your week at school! Activities will include optional craft, book recommendation form, and voting for next month's book! Best for ages 8-12.

### **MONTHLY SLIME CLUB**

Wednesday, 4/13 3:30–4:30 pm

Ages 8-12 join us for drop-in slime making fun! Explore a new type of slime each month. Be sure to wear your messy clothes!

### **CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE (CYOA) BOOK CLUB**

Thursday, 4/21 3:30–4:30pm

Join library staff for a monthly Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club! Staff and kids will read a different book together and see where the adventures leads! Activities related to the theme of the book provided. Receive a CYOA Book Club passport to fill in for prizes and free books. Best for kids ages 6-11.

### **ALL AGES DROP-IN CRAFTING**

Friday, 4/22 2 – 4 pm

Stop in during April break for an afternoon of crafting! Bring your own in progress craft to work on, or learn a new skill using the Library's supplies!

### **STOP-IN SATURDAYS**

Saturday, 4/30 10 am

Visit the Children's Library for this monthly drop-in program. Each month library staff will have rotating crafts or activities for kids of all ages, while supplies last.

## **Berkshire Athenaeum Young Adult Programs April 2022**

**PODCASTS AND PENCILS** Friday, 4/1 2:30 – 3:30pm

Relax after a long week by coloring and listening to a podcast episode together! Grades 7-12.

**POETRY CRAFTS** Monday, 4/4 2:30 – 4pm

Celebrate National Poetry Month with some poetry crafts! We will try out paint chip poetry, book spine poetry, magnetic poetry and more! Grades 7-12.

**½ DAY BOARD GAMES** Friday, 4/8 11:30am – 2pm

Stop into the Young Adult Department after school on your half day to play some board games! All games will be provided. Grades 7-12.

**YA BOOK CLUB MEETING** Tuesday, 4/12 4 – 5pm

Join us to discuss this month's pick, *The Extraordinaries* by TJ Klune - Pick up your free copy at the Children's Desk! Grades 7-12.

**BABYSITTER TRAINING COURSE** Tues – Thurs. 4/19 – 4/21 1 – 3pm

Join Library and 4H staff for a free three-session (6 hour total) Babysitter Training Course! Registration is required, and space is limited. Open to teens **ages 12-17**. Please email [anna@pittsfieldlibrary.org](mailto:anna@pittsfieldlibrary.org) to register.

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**MAGIC THE GATHERING** Monday, 4/25 2:30 – 4pm

Join us for a game of Magic The Gathering! Never played? No problem! We will teach you how to play! All supplies will be provided. Grades 7-12.

**TEEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING** Wednesday, 4/27 2:45 – 3:45pm

Teens in **grades 9-12** are invited to join our Teen Advisory Board! This club meets monthly to plan and present teen programs, create displays in YA, and more! Volunteer hours will be awarded.

**YA FIRST CHAPTER FRIDAY** Friday, 4/29 2:30 – 3:30pm

Relax after a long week with a teen storytime! Each month, we will read the first chapter of a new book! Grades 7-12.

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