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FALL CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM



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The Building Bridges Career Exploration Program is a groundbreaking initiative designed to provide aspiring educators with a unique opportunity to immerse themselves in the world of independent schools. This program caters to future teachers' curiosity and professional development needs by offering them insightful and hands-on experience within diverse independent educational institutions. Through a carefully structured curriculum, participants gain valuable insights into the distinctive locations, departments, philosophies, teaching methodologies, and student-centered approaches that are the hallmark of these schools. Participants will observe and collaborate with experienced educators, fostering a deep understanding of the innovative practices that independent schools employ. The program will provide you with in-depth insight and knowledge of these dynamic and empowering environments and help guide you in the ever-evolving field of education to determine if this path is right for you.

Dwayne Pina,
Building Bridges Program Director

WELCOME!



It is my pleasure to welcome you to St. George's for the Building Bridges Fall Career Exploration Program. Building Bridges creates opportunities for learning and exploration, the strengthening of networks, and the broadening of professional avenues. St. George's is truly excited to host this pivotal program, providing opportunities for early-career educators and students from historically Black colleges and universities to learn more about New England boarding schools. We are thrilled to work with Milton Academy and Tabor Academy as founding members of the Building Bridges Partner School Network, enabling us to broaden the reach and impact of Building Bridges. My colleagues and I are excited to meet you and collaborate with you in the days and years ahead.

With all best wishes,

Michael C. Wirtz, *Head of School*



SCHOOL OVERVIEWS

ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL, 372 Purgatory Road, Middletown, RI 02842
Founder of Building Bridges



- All gender boarding and day school: grades 9 - 12
- Number of Students: 376
- Boarding students: 85%
- Students of color: 22%

MILTON ACADEMY, 170 Centre Street, Milton MA 02186
Founding Member of the Partner School Network



- All gender boarding and day school: grades K - 12
- Number of Students: 717
- Boarding students: 44%
- Students of color: 52%

TABOR ACADEMY, 226 Front Street, Marion, MA 02738
Founding Member of the Partner School Network



- All gender boarding and day school: grades 9 - 12
- Number of Students: 541
- Boarding students: 70%
- Students of color: 15%

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TUESDAY, NOV. 7

- 12:45 p.m. **Pick up at TF Green Airport** *(SW Flight 259)*
- 2:30 p.m. **Check-in** *Atlantic Beach Hotel*
- 5:30 p.m. **Welcoming Dinner** *Great Room, Hamblet Campus Center*
- 8 p.m. **Evening Dorm Tour**
An inside look at East Dormitory, West Dormitory, and The West Village
- 9:30 p.m. **Return to Hotel**

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8

- 7:45 a.m. **Pick up from Hotel**
- 8 a.m. **Breakfast** *King Hall*
- 8:40 a.m. **Formal Welcome** *Davenport Room, Nathaniel P. Hill Library*
Remarks by Michael C. Wirtz, *St. George's School, Head of School*
"Our Collective 'Why'" by Mervan Osborne, *St. George's School, Associate Head of School for Student Life*
- 9 a.m. **Boarding School 101** *Davenport Room, Nathaniel P. Hill Library*
Residential Life
Xander Jones, *St. George's School, Dean of Students and Humanities Teacher*
Hannah O'Brien, *St. George's School, Humanities Teacher*
Academics
Dr. Gretchen Boger, *St. George's School, Director of the Merck Center and Dean of Teaching & Learning*
- 9:50-10:40 a.m. **Classroom Visits**
Humanities: Race Relations in the U.S.: Anthony Franco *Room 114, Academic Center*
Humanities: Renaissance Studies, Erin Wilson *Room 15, Memorial Schoolhouse*
Humanities I: Hannah O'Brien *Room 215, Academic Center*
Humanities II: History, Erik Patton-Sharpe *Room 12, Memorial Schoolhouse*
Physics: Devon Ducharme *Room 101, Academic Center*
- 11 a.m. **Campus Tour or Classroom Visits** *Tour departs from Sixth-Form Porch*
Humanities: Race, Class, Gender, & Sports: Dr. Daniel Taradash
Room 23, Memorial Schoolhouse
Humanities I: Hannah O'Brien *Room 215, Academic Center*

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WEDNESDAY CONT'D

- 12-1 p.m.** **Lunch - Student Conversations** *King Hall*
- 12:30-1:10 p.m.** **Music**
Chapel Choir, *Chapel*
Jazz Ensemble, *Room 201, Drury/Grosvenor Center for the Arts*
- 1 p.m.** **Life as a POC at a PWI** *Davenport Room, Nathaniel P. Hill Library*
Dr. Kim Bullock, *St. George's School, Director of Equity and Inclusion, STEM Teacher*
Emmanuel Daring, *St. George's School, Associate Director of Equity and Inclusion, STEM Teacher*
Melissa Mogollon, *St. George's School, Assistant Director of Equity and Inclusion, Interim Director of Student Activities*
- 2 p.m.** **Who Are You?**
Group A *Head of School's Office, Old School*
Michael C. Wirtz, *St. George's School, Head of School*
Elizabeth Bickford, *St. George's School, Associate Head of School for Faculty and School Affairs, Humanities Teacher*
Dr. Kim Bullock, *St. George's School, Director of Equity and Inclusion, STEM Teacher*
Group B *Room 21, Memorial Schoolhouse*
Dr. Gretchen Boger, *St. George's School, Director of the Merck Center and Dean of Teaching & Learning*
Abigail Isom, *St. George's School, Chair of the STEM Department*
Devon Ducharme, *St. George's School, Chair of Connected Learning, STEM Teacher*
Cara Hyson, *St. George's School, Chair of the Humanities Department*
Group C *Miss Diman's Room, Old School*
Mervan Osborne, *St. George's School, Associate Head of School for Student Life*
Xander Jones, *St. George's School, Dean of Students, Humanities Teacher*
The Rev. Jackie Kirby, *St. George's School, Chaplain, Humanities Teacher*
- 3:30 p.m.** **Athletic Contests**
Girls' Varsity Soccer vs. Thayer Academy *Redway Field*
Volleyball vs. Thayer Academy *Van Beuren Gymnasium*
- 4:30 p.m.** **Free Time**
- 6 p.m.** **Insight Meeting**
- 7 p.m.** **Dinner**
- 9 p.m.** **Return to Hotel**
Pack and prepare for transition to Massachusetts accommodations

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THURSDAY, NOV. 9 TABOR ACADEMY (MARION, MA)

Transition from Newport Hotel to Braintree Hotel

- 8:30 a.m.** **Depart St. George's School for Tabor Academy**
- 9:30 a.m.** **Arrival and Greetings at Tabor Academy** *Lillard Hall*
Lillard Living Room will serve as home base for the day
- 9:45-10:30 a.m.** **All School Meeting** *Hoyt Auditorium*
Derek Krein, *Tabor Academy, Dean of the Faculty*
RoseMarie Wallace, *Tabor Academy, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Belonging*
Tyron Black, *Tabor Academy, Associate Head of School*
- 10:30-11:15 a.m.** **Behind the Curtain** *Lillard Living Room*
Faculty Recruiting & Hiring
Professional Investment & Development
Faculty Housing
- 11:15-11:45 a.m.** **Faculty Conversations 1:1** *Lillard Living Room*
Small Group and 1:1 Conversations with Assorted Academic Department Chairs
and School Area Leaders
- 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.** **Lunch and Student Panel** *Lillard Living Room*
- 1-1:30 p.m.** **What School Could Be**
Tony Jaccaci, *Tabor Academy, Head of School*
- 1:30-3 p.m.** **Real Talk with Tabor POC**
- 3:30-5 p.m.** **Choice of Activity**
Campus Tour, Local Tour of Marion and New Bedford, Advising,
Co-Curricular/Athletics
- 5:45-7 p.m.** **Dinner and Discussion**
- 7:45-8:30 p.m.** **Evening and Residential Duty** *Convene in Travis Roy Campus Center*
Depart for Baxter House, Dexter House, Gr 9 Study Hall, E.A.S.T.
Applied Music Concert
- 8:45 p.m.** **Depart for Hotel**

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FRIDAY, NOV. 10 MILTON ACADEMY (MILTON, MA)

Blue Week

- 9 a.m.** **Welcome** *DEIJ Conference Room*
Dr. Alixe Callen, *Milton Academy, Head of School*
Dr. Monica Palmer, *Milton Academy, Upper School Principal*
Melissa Lawlor, *Milton Academy, Upper School Director of Equity and Inclusion*
- 9:30 a.m.** **Choice of Activity**
Lower School, Middle School, Campus Tours (groups of 3 with students)
- 10:15 a.m.** **BIPOC Faculty Coffee**
Hosted by the BIPOC Committee
- 10:50 a.m.** **K-12 Veterans Day Flagpole Ceremony**
- 11:25 a.m.** **Classroom Visits**
Contemporary World Lit
Heyburn Lecture Discussion
Class IV Physics
Drawing and Painting
- 12:30 p.m.** **Lunch** *Withington Room*
- 1:15 p.m.** **Divisional Interest Meetings**
U.S. Department Chairs
Academic Skills
Admission
College Counseling
Student Life
Middle School performance of fall play for Lower School *Thacher Room, Ware Hall*
- 2:30 p.m.** **A Day in the Life at Milton: Day Faculty vs. Boarding Faculty** *DEIJ Conference Room*
Marvin Gutierrez *Milton Academy, Dean of the Faculty*
José Ruiz *Milton Academy, Dean of Students*
Anika Walker-Johnson *Milton Academy, Director of Residential Life*
Dr. Monica Palmer, *Milton Academy, Upper School Principal*
- 3:30 p.m.** **Break / Athletic Contests**
- 4 p.m.** **Tea, Coffee, and Snacks with Onyx, Latinx, Jaded Matrix and Brother Bonding**
- 5 p.m.** **Depart for Hotel**
- 7 p.m.** **BIPOC Faculty Social** *Park54*

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SATURDAY, NOV. 11

8:30 a.m.

Pick up from Hotel *Hyatt Place Boston/Braintree*

9 a.m.

Farewell Breakfast

11 a.m.

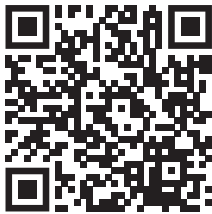
Depart to Logan Airport



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To learn more about each school's DEI strategic initiatives
use the QR codes below:



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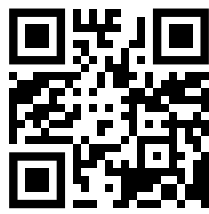
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