



Providence Public Schools
**Summer
Learning
Programs**

2026



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Extended School Year

Extended School Year, or ESY, is provided per special education regulations for preschool, elementary, middle and high school students with disabilities, in accordance with their Individualized Education Programs, or IEPs. Students qualify to participate in the ESY program when specific criteria set by the RI Department of Education has been met.

High School Credit Recovery

The High School Credit Recovery initiative is designed to provide students in grades 9–12 with the opportunity to earn credit for courses they previously did not pass. Through this program, Providence Public Schools offers students access to rigorous, engaging coursework aimed at helping them stay on track for graduation. The initiative supports academic progress by delivering targeted, motivational instruction that promotes student success.

Graduation will be held on Thursday July 30th at 5:30 at the PCTA Auditorium for all 12th graders that complete their graduation requirements.

Dates:	July 6, 2026 – July 31, 2026
Program Time:	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Program Days:	Monday - Thursday
Site:	To Be Determined
Grades:	Current 9th–12th grade students who have failed a course will be automatically enrolled in the appropriate Edgenuity Credit Recovery course(s).



Inspiring Minds

The KidsBridge Summer Learning Program provides rising kindergartners who have not yet had a high-quality early learning experience with a six-week, full-day program to help them learn the norms and routines of school.



KidsBridge students are taught by certified, experienced teachers with support from Providence's high school workforce and trained community volunteers. The program is fun and engaging and children learn through play! Parents/family members are also supported through ongoing parent engagement events and workshops.

To be eligible, your student must be age 5 on September 1 and attending Kindergarten in a Providence public school in Fall 2026. Priority is given to students who have not attended a full year of preschool or pre-K. KidsBridge is offered free of charge. More information is available at <https://inspiringmindsri.org/our-programs/kidsbridge/>

Register your child on our website at <https://inspiringmindsri.org/our-programs/kids-bridge/>. Click on "Register Now for KidsBridge 2026"

- Dates:** July 6, 2026 - August 14, 2026
- Program Time:** 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- Program Days:** Monday - Friday
- Site:** Providence Public Schools
- Grades:** Incoming Kindergarten





Boys and Girls Club of Providence

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence (BGCP) will operate a free, six-week Summer Learning Program for students in grades K–5, running Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 P.M., designed to prevent summer learning loss and ensure students return to school confident, prepared, and academically ready.

Sign-ups take place at each location, M-F, 1PM-5:45PM daily.



- Dates:** July 6, 2026 - August 14, 2026
- Program Time:** 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Program Days:** Monday - Friday
- Site:** South Side Clubhouse, 1 Louisa Street, Providence & Chad Brown Clubhouse, 263 Chad Brown Street, Providence
- Grades:** K-5





21st Century Community Learning Center Program

Federal Hill House's free 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) summer program provide Harry Kiziran and Asa Messer students with six weeks of exciting, hands-on learning in a fun and supportive environment! Summer should be a time of exploration and enrichment, which is why our approach combines fun, engaging experiences that spark curiosity and creativity; a focus on literacy and English language development to support strong communication skills; hands-on, experiential learning that brings lessons to life; meaningful relationships with caring adults and supportive peers. Join us for a summer filled with growth, adventure, and discovery!

Families can reach us via email sortega@federalhillhouse or call 401-422-4019

Dates:	July 6, 2026 - August 14, 2026
Program Time:	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Program Days:	Monday - Friday
Site:	Providence Public Schools
Grades:	PreK-5

GT STEAM Academy

GENERATION TEACH STEAM ACADEMY (GTSA) is a dynamic, engaging 5-week academic enrichment program for current K1-2nd grade students. Our students learn, create, build, design, and grow together in small classes with caring teachers. Students take classes in engineering, math, reading, and law, and participate in enrichment classes, field trips, and fun competitions.

Please register at gtsteam.org.

Dates:	July 6, 2026 - August 7, 2026
Program Time:	8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Program Days:	Monday - Friday
Site:	Providence Public Schools
Grades:	K1 - 2nd grade





Ace It!

Ace it!, powered by Sylvan Learning Center, has partnered with the City of Providence and Providence Public Schools to offer a FREE summer learning program for PPSD students.



This program is designed for students entering grades 1–6 and features engaging instruction in reading and math, along with enriching writing, STEM, and elective activities. These activities help reinforce essential academic skills and keep students prepared for the upcoming school year.

The full-day, five-week program runs Monday through Friday from July 6 through August 7 and will be held at a local Providence school.

Why Choose Ace it! Programming by Sylvan?

- **Research-Based Sylvan Programs** – The Ace it! program was developed by Sylvan, the nation’s #1 tutoring provider.
- **Convenient Locations** – Summer sessions take place in local Providence schools.
- **Small Class Sizes** – With just 8–10 students per class, your child receives personalized attention and support.
- **Proven Results** – 3 out of 4 Ace it! students show significant improvement in reading or math.
- **Positive, Motivating Environment** – Trained teachers create an encouraging atmosphere by recognizing students for their effort, attendance, attitude, and achievement.

Call 401-334-9309 for more information.

Register here: <https://forms.gle/ZjBPxjQEXXucPLlr9>

Dates:	July 6, 2026 – August 7, 2026
Program Time:	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Program Days:	Monday – Friday
Site:	Providence Public Schools
Grades:	Grades 1 – 6

Rising 6-8



SeaPerch

Middle school summer STEM programs joined forces to engage students in the summer SeaPerch program, which included professional development for teachers provided by Electric Boat, along with robot-building kits for students at no cost. Electric Boat and RoboNation have organized competitive events for Providence Public Schools District middle school students. These events feature obstacle courses where student teams maneuver their underwater robots, showcasing their technical prowess and collaborative spirit. This initiative fosters excitement and innovation among students, while also enhancing teamwork skills.

Daily transportation and meals will be provided.

Dates:	July 6, 2026 – July 17, 2026 (Seaperch) July 20, 2026– July 31, 2026 (STEM)
Program Time:	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Program Days:	Monday – Friday
Site:	Providence Public Schools
Grades:	Rising 7th, 8th and 9th graders



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Dates:	July 6, 2026 – August 7, 2026
Program Time:	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Program Days:	Monday – Friday
Site:	Providence Public Schools
Grades:	Rising grades 6–8



Special 2 Day Workshop



Best Buy Geek Squad Academy

Channeling Creativity through Technology

GEEK SQUAD
ACADEMY

Geek Squad Summer Academy, a program of Best Buy and offered this summer to students in Providence Public Schools, is designed to expose young people to technology tools and careers by engaging them in a variety of interest-driven workshops that result in tangible products. Over the course of the 2-day camp, youth are engaged in workshops organized around 3-D design and printing, robotics, film-making, music production, and digital citizenship. In each workshop, youth have the opportunity to apply technical skills to a tangible project that involves design and collaboration.

These workshops will be held at a PPSD school and facilitated by Best Buy employees from all corners of the company. During this workshop, young people discover new skills using cutting-edge technology and learn how they can be applied to their educational pursuits and future careers.

Last year, Geek Squad Academy saw more than 3,000 students become Junior Agents. From coast to coast and even to Puerto Rico, over 500 Best Buy employee volunteers set up camp in 35 cities across the country to channel creativity through tech for young people everywhere.

With free access to many of the workshop materials, these Junior Agents have the ability to continue their learning from home, even if this camp season is all packed up for the year.

Dates: Wednesday July 1, 2026 and Thursday, July 2, 2026

Program Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Grades: Rising grades 7-10

Program Provides Transportation



College Visions

CV Summer Prep is a 5-week college and career exploration program for rising 9th–12th graders who live in Providence.

Through hands-on activities, projects, field trips, and special events, students explore college and career options, prepare for the college application process, set academic and personal goals, and develop skills in a fun and supportive environment. Interested students should apply using our Google Form bit.ly/cvsummer26



Dates:	July 6, 2026 - August 6, 2026
Program Time:	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Program Days:	4 days/week
Site:	Rhode Island School of Design (RISD)
Grades:	Rising grades 9–12



DownCity Design

Our 6-week Summer Design Studios will engage 40 Providence youth in grades 9-12 (2026-27) in intensive design learning as they build new skills, explore careers, and create service projects for community groups.



There are two program strands for Summer 2026: Design/Build Studio and Creative Change Studio. In both programs, participants work with real-world clients, such as non-profit organizations or municipal agencies, who present our young designers with authentic challenges that can be addressed through design. Participants work collaboratively to investigate and better understand their client's challenge, propose and test potential solutions to share with the client for feedback, and finally fabricate new structures for public spaces and new processes, graphics or experiences.

Contact the DownCity Design team with any questions at: summerdesignstudios@downcitydesign.org or at (401) 272-8070.

Dates:	July 6, 2026 - August 14, 2026
Program Time:	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Program Days:	M, T, Th, F
Site:	Providence Public Schools
Grades:	Rising grades 9-12



PASA Hub Financial Literacy

PASA Financial Literacy Camp is a high school summer program for students attending the following schools: Hope High School and Juanita Sanchez Educational Complex. PASA Financial Literacy Camp is operated by the Providence After School Alliance (PASA).



Details:

- Programs will run for a total of 4 weeks (July 6th - July 31st): Monday - Friday, 9:00AM-1:30PM. Students arrive at 9AM and will receive breakfast, snack and lunch during program. Students have their first block of programs from 10:00AM -11:30AM, Lunch will be from 11:30 - 12:00PM. Students will then have their second block of programs from 12:00-1:30 PM. Both A and B block will be facilitated by The FLY Initiative.
- Students are dismissed from programs at 1:30 PM. PASA will provide RIPTIX to support student transportation between home and the summer camp site.
- Friday's will be Field Trip/Career Development Days, students will be bussed to offsite location.

All students that attend the program for a minimum of 15 days of programming will be receive a \$599.00 stipend for their participation in the program!

Programs are free, and students are enrolled on a first come-first served basis. Families will receive either written confirmation or a phone call letting them know if their student has been accepted for the camp.

Students who do not comply with the Hub code of conduct can be removed from programs. **Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/FxufRFF39HuEjSka7>

Dates:	July 6, 2026 - July 31, 2026
Program Time:	9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Program Days:	Monday - Friday
Site:	PCTA
Grades:	Rising grades 9-12 from Hope High School and JSEC*
	* Limited spots are also available for neighborhood youth.

Young Voices

The *Young Voices Summer Workforce* program is an innovative 6-week course starting on July 7th and ending August 13th. As many as 30, Grade 9-12 youth will earn up to a \$1,900 stipend and engage with immersive workplace experiences in STEM, Banking & Finance, and Urban Development as they build their resume, cover letter, and interview skills.



Register here: <https://forms.gle/sTnrug2pzZnXTBUF9>

Dates:	July 7, 2026- August 13, 2026
Program Time:	11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Program Days:	TBD
Site:	Off-site
Grades:	Rising grades 9-12

AS220 Freedom Summer

Freedom Summer encourages young people to see creativity as a form of civic participation and cultural leadership. Participants build artistic skills, learn how movements use culture to communicate and mobilize, and gain experience working collectively toward a shared goal. The program culminates in a public presentation where youth share their work with the community, highlighting the ideas, stories, and visions they have developed together.

AS220

Freedom Summer supports young people in recognizing their creative power and their role in shaping more just and imaginative futures for their communities.

How To Apply

Youth ages 14-21 who are interested in joining Freedom Summer can apply by sending a short email expressing their interest to youthjobs@as220.org. In the email, applicants should introduce themselves and briefly share why they are interested in the program and what kinds of art or community issues they care about.

After submitting an email, selected applicants will be invited to participate in a short interview with AS220 Youth staff. The interview helps us get to know you, learn about your interests, and talk more about the program.

Dates:	July 6, 2026 - August 14, 2026
Program Time:	TBD
Program Days:	TBD
Grades:	Youth ages 14-21

Boys and Girls Club Summer Workforce Development Program

Supported by the *One Providence for Youth Grant*, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Providence offers a six-week Summer Workforce Development program for teens ages 14–18 designed to introduce young people to real-world work experiences while building practical skills for the future. The program begins with workforce readiness onboarding that prepares participants with essential knowledge around workplace expectations, communication, safety, and professional conduct. Throughout the summer, teens gain hands-on experience working alongside peers and mentors while exploring career pathways through program areas such as entrepreneurship, civil discourse, lifeguarding, and officiating and coaching organized sports. Participants follow structured weekly schedules that combine workforce education, mentorship, and experiential learning to strengthen leadership, financial literacy, and job readiness skills. Teens interested in participating can learn more here: <https://forms.gle/aRFhqdsKg8puqHNNNA>



Dates: July 6, 2026 – August 14, 2026
Program Time: TBD
Program Days: TBD
Grades: Youth ages 14–18

Center for Dynamic Learning TAP Program

Dive into a future of opportunity with a program that brings learning to life through hands-on experience and real-world application. Designed to spark curiosity and build confidence, this immersive pathway introduces students to in-demand careers in the marine trades—where innovation meets the water.



Through engaging, project-based learning, students develop essential academic and technical skills while exploring key disciplines such as plumbing, electrical systems, engineering, welding, and fabrication. Along the way, they gain a deeper understanding of how these trades shape marine and coastal infrastructure—and the broader world around us.

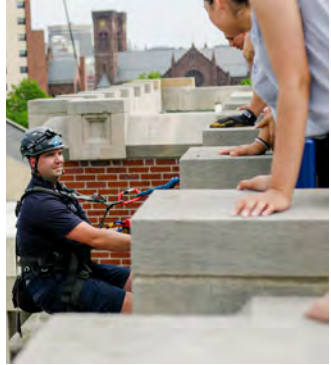
Families can register at <https://afterschoolhq.com/TheCenterforDynamic>

Dates: July 6, 2026 – August 7, 2026
Program Time: M/W/F 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 T/Th 12:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Site: Providence Career and Technical Academy
Grades: Grades 9–12



PPSD Central High School Firefighter CTE Program

The Central High School Firefighter CTE Summer Training Program is a six-week, hands-on career exploration opportunity for students ages 16–18, serving 12 participants from July 6 through August 14, Monday–Friday from 8:30 AM–12:30 PM (120 total hours). Students train using the State Firefighter Academy curriculum at approved fire training facilities, learning firefighter fundamentals, physical conditioning, fire science basics, and hands-on rescue skills such as ladder operations, vehicle extraction, and Jaws of Life training. Participants receive mentorship from certified fire instructors and complete weekly skill assessments while exploring pathways to Firefighter I/II certification, EMT careers, and other public safety professions. Interested students can apply through Central High School’s CTE office or their school counselor, with limited spots available.



For more information about this program, please contact Zachary Sylvia at Zachary.Sylvia@ppsd.org.

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Program Time:	8:30 AM–12:30 PM
Program Days:	Monday - Friday
Site:	Providence Public Schools
Grades:	Youth ages 14–18



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