



Full-service Schools Roundtable

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Roundtable Report

Please mark your calendars for our next Roundtable meeting:

A Conversation about Outcomes

Tuesday, May 27, 2008 from 8:45 to 11 a.m. at

The Boston Foundation
75 Arlington Street, 10th Floor
Boston, MA

Stay tuned for speakers and more details!

Upcoming Funding Opportunities

Captain Planet Foundation

The mission of the Captain Planet Foundation is to fund and support hands-on, environmental projects for children and youths. Their objective is to encourage innovative programs that empower children and youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Through environmental education, they believe that children can achieve a better understanding and appreciation for the world in which they live.

All applicant organizations or sponsoring agencies must be exempt from federal taxation under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501 in order to be eligible for funding.

In order to be considered for funding, proposals must:

- Promote understanding of environmental issues
- Focus on hands-on involvement
- Involve children and young adults 6-18 (elementary through high school)
- Promote interaction and cooperation within the group
- Help young people develop planning and problem solving skills
- Include adult supervision
- Commit to follow-up communication with the Foundation

The mission of the Full-service Schools Roundtable is to advance the healthy development and academic success of students in Boston through integrated school/community partnerships.

The Captain Planet Foundation reserves the right to earmark funding for specific budgetary items and decline funding for budgetary items that are not consistent with Grant Guidelines. The range of grants awarded by the Foundation is \$250 - \$2,500. For more information, visit: <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/default.aspx?pid=3&tab=apply>.

DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2008

Boston Capacity Tank Cluster Capacity Grant 2008 (Year 1)

The Tank expects to make 5 cluster grants up to \$40,000 in 2008. The purpose of the cluster grants is to build the capacity of existing clusters or partnerships of youth-serving agencies in Boston, to help them strengthen or expand their services to youth, with a preference for programs that support youth at high risk. Grants should help an experienced cluster of agencies reach at least two goals from among the following capacity categories: leadership development; organizational development; programs/services; fund raising capacity; and community engagement. This is a capacity-building grant; funds may not be used to support direct program services.

Please note the following grant timeline:

Application released	March 10, 2008
Intent to apply due (optional)	Wednesday, March 26, 2008
Grant Period	Between May 2 and December 31, 2008
Application Deadline	Tuesday, April 8 at noon
Notification of Awardees	Friday, May 2, 2008

Training and review of application drafts will be provided upon request to interested CBOs/FBOs between March 10 and April 1. This technical assistance may be accessed by contacting Ellen Bass before April 1, 2008, at 617-445-2737 x13 or ebass@bmaboston.org.

DEADLINE: APRIL 8, 2008

Allstate Foundation

The Allstate Foundation supports national and local programs that fit within three focus areas. Proposals for program support must address needs within one of the three focus areas to be considered for funding:

- Safe and vital communities.
- Economic empowerment.
- Tolerance, inclusion and diversity.

The Allstate Foundation makes grants to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Foundation has no deadlines for submission. Proposals may be submitted throughout the calendar year. Site visits or interviews will be scheduled only if the foundation staff requires additional information once a proposal has been received for consideration. For more information, visit: www.allstate.com/citizenship/foundation/funding-guidelines-content.aspx.

DEADLINE: ONGOING

Brinker International's Charitable Requests

Giving back to the communities where we live and work is one of Brinker International's core values. With a diverse variety of local fundraising activities and corporate giving programs, Brinker and its restaurants contribute more than \$3 million annually to a number of worthwhile charities. The objective of the Brinker International Foundation is to support programs and projects that are affiliated with Children/Family, Arts, Civic, and University related educational programs.

Brinker International's Charitable Committee requests the following information, submitted on the organization's official letterhead:

- The exact amount requested and the specific purpose for the donation briefly summarized on 1-2 typewritten pages. The request should detail how the donations will be used.
- Information about your organization, including proof of 501(c)(3) status and sources of funding.
- Information, if any, concerning past or current involvement of Brinker International employees with the organization.
- They may also request the organization's current Board of Directors, including their business and civic affiliations, as well as the organization's recent financial statements.

To submit your request for a charitable donation, please send your written proposal to: Brinker International Charitable Committee, 6820 LBJ Freeway, Dallas, TX 75240 or, FAX the request to: (972) 770-5977. All requests for cash or in-kind donations are reviewed on an ongoing basis. For more information, visit:

www.brinker.com/contact/charitable_requests.asp.

DEADLINE: ONGOING

For Your Information

City Hall Galleries



In honor of Women's History Month, Mayor Thomas M. Menino and the Mayor's Office of Arts and Tourism & Special Events present:

4 Figurative Women Artists from Jamaica Plain

The exhibition will be displayed in the Scollay Square Gallery and the Mayor's Art Gallery at the Boston City Hall from March 3-31.

For more information, visit

www.cityofboston.gov/arts/visual/galleries.asp.

America's Promise Alliance Launches New Web Site
with Resources, Tools and Information



At the forefront of the America's Promise Alliance goals are improving the lives of 15 million at-risk American children in the next five years and improving high school completion rates. To help achieve their goals,

the 15 in 5 Campaign Network web site was created. The Network is the best way for individuals, organizations and partners in the America's Promise Alliance to find, learn from, and inspire each other.

Please take a few moments to take the site tour <http://15in5.americaspromise.org/Pages/SiteTour.aspx> and learn how logging into the site can help you find the people, the tools and the information you need to improve the lives of children in your community. Think of the site as your tool kit and your reference book - your daily first stop in achieving the goals you've set out to accomplish.

Highlights include:

- The Partners Showcase includes information about Alliance Partners doing work related to the 15 in 5 Campaign.
- A User Directory, searchable by name, organization, location, and interest, lets you find other 15 in 5 Campaign Network members.
- The Resources section is a one-stop shop for finding what you need to make a difference in children's lives.
- The Delivering Promises Blog is a free-wheeling discussion about the 15 in 5 Campaign Network, its members and the work they are doing.



DON'T FORGET!

**National Forum for the Coalition for Community Schools
April 30 - May 2, 2008
Portland, Oregon**

[Click here](#) to go to the National Forum website.

Key Note Speakers:

- Pedro Noguera, author, professor and nationally known expert on education and diversity.
- Ira Harkavy, Coalition Chair and Director of the Center for Community Partnerships at the University of Pennsylvania
- Vicki Phillips, Director of Education, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Learn from the experience of the SUN Community Schools Initiative that is making schools the hub of their neighborhoods.

Co-hosted by SUN Schools Initiative, Multnomah County and the Oregon Commission on Children and Families

Questions? Contact Maame Ameyaw at 202-822-8405 x156 or ameyawm@iel.org.

Conference/Workshop Announcements



BPS's Office of Family and Community Engagement

April 2008 Parent Workshops

BPS' Office of Family and Community Engagement offers a number of

parent workshops each month. April features the following:

Saturday, April 5

Time: 10am - 1pm

Topic: "The Rules of the Game" Male Engagement Conference

Description: This event promotes male engagement in children's education. Come meet other males and learn concrete strategies to support your child's academic pursuits. There will be a "keynote panel" with representatives from BPS, ACCESS, Project Reconnect, the Boston Public Health Commission and the Boston Campaign for Proficiency addressing home/school communication, college planning, how to address challenges and character development.

Audience: Fathers, grandfathers, uncles and other adult male role models

Location: [Lilla G. Frederick Pilot Middle School](#) - 270 Columbia Road, Dorchester, MA

Directions: By MBTA take bus # 16 from Forest Hills or Andrew Station get off in front of the school

Thursday, April 17

Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Topic: The Dollars & Cents About College - A Financial Aid Workshop

Description: This workshop will give students and families insight on how to pay for college. Participants will learn how to prepare and live on a budget and how to research scholarships and grants. In addition, there will be financial aid advisors on hand for financial counseling.

Audience: Families and FCE Professionals

Location: [Dudley Branch Library](#) - 65 Warren Street, Roxbury, MA

Presenter: Laura Denison, ACCESS Early Awareness representative
Directions: By MBTA from Ruggles Station, take bus #19, #23, #28, #45 and get off at Dudley Square Station walk through the station to Dudley St. - cross the street, the library is next door to the police station.

Tuesday, April 29

Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Topic: Homework & Study Habits

Description: This workshop covers a variety of topics to help parents support at home what their children are learning in the classroom. Parents will discuss why homework is important, how to make homework time a productive learning time and how to help their children develop good study habits.

Audience: Families and FCE Professionals

Location: [Chittick Elementary School](#) - 154 Ruskindale Road, Mattapan, MA

Presenter: Carmen Vega, Training Specialist

Directions: By MBTA from Forest Hills Station, take bus #30 to Cummins Highway and Rugby Road - about a ten minute walk to the school.

**** Childcare and interpretation will be available upon request ****

For more information and to register please call Denita Washington at 617-635-7750 or e-mail Cyntoria Grant at cgrant@boston.k12.ma.us



Thursday, March 28, 2008

Reception begins at 5:30 PM, Screening begins at 6:30 PM
The John F. Kennedy Library, Columbia Point, Boston

Join Mayor Thomas M. Menino, film producers from Vital Pictures Inc., local officials and community leaders for the Boston premiere of the film and a panel discussion about creating a unified healthy equity agenda and how we can all take action!

To RSVP, register at www.unnaturalcausesbostonpremiere.eventbrite.com or call 617.534.2622 by March 20, 2008. The event is free. Seating is limited.



Leadership Roundtable:

Calling All Artists! Using the Arts to Create More Inclusive Programs

April 3, 2008, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Citizen Schools Headquarters, 308 Congress Street, Boston.

Please RSVP for all workshops at info@bostnet.org or (617) 720-1290 x 232.



Race, Culture, Identity & Achievement Seminar Series
Topic: Preparing African American and Latino Students for
Success in Science and Engineering

April 3, 2008, 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Simmons College, Linda K. Paresky Conference Center

Listen to Freeman Hrabowski, President of University of Maryland, discuss this important subject. Dr. Hrabowski's research and publications focus on science and math education, with special emphasis on minority participation and performance.