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**Music Department  
Winter Recital Night**

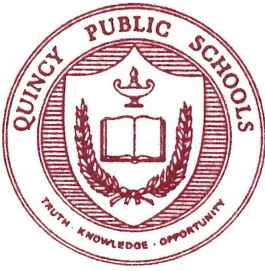


**Wednesday, January 24th 2024**

**6:00 PM**

**North Quincy High School Auditorium**





# QUINCY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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January 2, 2024

Welcome to Quincy Public Schools! Children who will be **5 years of age on or before August 31, 2024** are eligible to attend Kindergarten beginning in September 2024.

Kindergarten registration is a two-step process:

- **Beginning January 3**, families fill out the online Pre-Registration form: <https://fs30.formsite.com/lauraowens/iafajagloo/index>
- **Beginning February 5**, families will be contacted to schedule an appointment to complete the registration process. This appointment may be at the school site or the Central Registration office for families needing interpretation services.
- Appointments will be scheduled during school hours through the end of the school year in June. Kindergarten Registration forms are available on the Quincy Public Schools website ([quincypublicschools.com](http://quincypublicschools.com)) under the Family & Community tab/ Student Registration.

If you are not sure of your neighborhood district school, the Quincy Public Schools Street Directory is available on the QPS website Student Registration page.

If your child attends a Quincy Public Schools Pre-Kindergarten program at the Amelio Della Chiesa Early Childhood Center, Point Webster, or Snug Harbor **it is *not* necessary to register your child for Kindergarten.**

If you have questions about Kindergarten registration, please call the Superintendent's Office at 617-984-8701. We look forward to having your child enter our Kindergarten program in the fall!

Sincerely,

Kevin W. Mulvey, J.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



# QUINCY PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRADE 8 STUDENTS and PARENTS/GUARDIANS

are invited to a

## **FREE** American Heart Association CPR/AED Certification Class

Saturday, February 3, 2024

8:30 am -12:00 pm

Central Middle School Gymnasium

**Register here:** <https://forms.gle/5hr2QDD7k3fcBs8C9>



American  
Heart  
Association.



Dear Families,

We are writing to invite you to join your school, your district, and the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in a campaign to improve student attendance.

The COVID-19 pandemic disrupted a lot of routines, including the habit of going to school every day. We know that there are often valid reasons for students to be absent, but, to a troubling extent, students are missing more school now than they did previously. Before the pandemic, 13 percent of students were chronically absent, meaning they had missed 10 percent or more of the school year. **Last year, 22 percent of students – close to 1 in 4 statewide – were chronically absent.**

Missing that much school – 18 days or more from a typical school year – can cause a child to fall behind in their learning and miss opportunities to build positive relationships with other students and with school staff. These losses may result in increased anxiety and interrupted social and emotional development.

Chronic absenteeism appears in every type of district – urban, suburban, rural, regional, traditional public schools, career technical schools, charter schools, elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools.

Many research studies have concluded that regardless of family income or background, students whose parents are involved in their schooling are more likely to have higher grades and test scores, attend school regularly, have better social skills, show improved behavior, and adapt well to school. We want all our students to have the opportunity to achieve all of these things.

The state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is committed to supporting your district as it works to ensure that every school is safe, welcoming, and supportive, with engaging and creative instruction and joyful classrooms. Your district and schools are committed to partnering with you to find ways to remove any barriers that may be hindering any child from coming to school every day. We are asking you to commit to making daily school attendance part of your family's routine again. As a leader of your family, you are the best and most important influencer of your child. When you make a point of getting them to school every day, they will understand that it is important for their success.

None of us can change chronic absenteeism by ourselves, but we believe that by working together to bring students to school and offering engaging, supportive environments, our students will learn, grow, and thrive.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Riley, Commissioner  
Massachusetts Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education

Kevin W. Mulvey, Superintendent  
Quincy Public Schools

# Quincy Citywide Parents' Council (Quincy Citywide PTO)

**Virtual Meeting via Zoom:**  
**Monday, January 22nd, 7:00 p.m.**

Join us to hear about ***Early Literacy Screening; New Regulations and Supports for K-3 Students***. Assistant Superintendent Erin Perkins, and the Director of Special Education, Julie Graham will be joining us to answer your question and discuss the process.

**The link to join the meeting is:**

**<https://quincypublicschools.zoom.us/j/87554742111?pwd=VIR5R01veFI1ajlMYjRQTIJnQ1BBQT09>**

Email [pto.citywide@gmail.com](mailto:pto.citywide@gmail.com) if you have trouble signing in.

We invite and encourage all QPS parents, guardians, teachers and interested community members to join us for this Zoom meeting.

NORTH QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

# 65th STEM FAIR

Tuesday, February 6th, 2024

5.30pm-8.30pm



North Quincy  
High School  
Cafeteria

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN  
UP TO JUDGE THE FAIR!

NORTH QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL  
316 HANCOCK STREET  
QUINCY, MA 02171

Contact us at [ClaireBoudreau@quincypublicschools.com](mailto:ClaireBoudreau@quincypublicschools.com) with questions



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Work Together

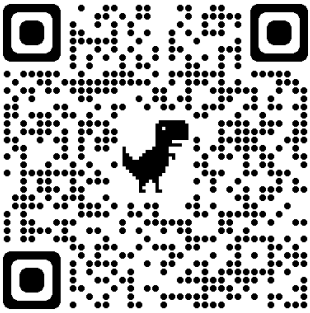
Share With The World

# QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL **15<sup>th</sup> STEM Fair**

SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS

## Thursday February 8, 2024

## 5:30-8:30pm



### Quincy High School A Wing

### 3rd & 4th Floor

**Quincy High School**

100 Coddington St

Quincy, MA 02169

Tel: (617) 376-3366

Scan the QR code to access the Judge Sign-Up form.

No science background necessary!

Or contact us at: [meghannmurray@quincypublicschools.com](mailto:meghannmurray@quincypublicschools.com)



# JOIN BERNAZZANI PTO FOR Family Night



TUESDAY | **23** | 4 - 9 PM  
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AT THE COMMON MARKET FOOD COURT  
97 WILLARD ST, QUINCY

STOP BY ANYTIME BETWEEN 4 - 9 PM AND MENTION  
YOU'RE WITH BERNAZZANI TO GET 20% OF PROFITS DONATED

Fish N' Chicken • The Healthy Kitchen • The Yogurt Bar • Creation • Pasta Cafe

IN ADDITION TO GETTING A DELICIOUS MEAL SUPPORTING YOUR PTO, WE'RE HELPING OUT QUINCY COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS (QCAP), A LOCAL ORGANIZATION THAT SUPPORTS UNDERSERVED INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES THROUGHOUT QUINCY AND RUNS QUINCY'S HEAD START PROGRAM.

WHEN PICKING UP YOUR DINNER AT THE COMMON MARKET ON JANUARY 23RD, PLEASE CONSIDER BRINGING ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL ITEMS TO DONATE:

- K: BAR SOAP/BODY WASH
- 1ST GRADE: TISSUES, WIPES
- 2ND GRADE: TOILET PAPER, PAPER TOWELS
- 3RD GRADE: TOOTH PASTE AND BRUSHES, RAZORS AND SHAVING CREAM
- 4TH GRADE: SHAMPOO, CONDITIONER
- 5TH GRADE: HAND/BODY LOTION, DEODORANT
- ANYONE: DIAPERS (SIZES 5&6)

We'll have boxes there to drop things off! To help our kids learn the importance of community giving, we suggest having your student make the physical donation, and try to chat with them about why we're doing this. Bonus question to ask: How does it make them feel?

Any questions? Email us at [TheBernazzaniPTO@gmail.com](mailto:TheBernazzaniPTO@gmail.com)







**Fundraiser for Grade 8  
South-West Middle School  
Cettysburg Trip**

**Friday, February 2, 2024  
Adams Heights Men's Club  
Time: 6:30-10:30**

**\$100 a table, (8 to a table),  
or \$20 a person**

**Raffle Prizes  
Bring your own snacks**

**Bar available  
Cash Only**



**Scan the QR Code to fill out the Google  
Form if you are going to attend the event!**

February 19 - 23, 2024

# February Vacation Programs

Tiered pricing available. Members receive a discount.  
Sign up for all five days and save over 10%!

## Farm Animals

Feb. 19, Ages 6-8  
Feb. 23, ages 3-5  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Winter in the Woods

Feb. 20, Ages 3-5  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Compost Creatures

Feb. 21, Ages 3-5  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Magical Creatures

Feb. 21, Ages 6-8  
Feb. 22, Ages 3-5  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Cooking, Syrups & Teas

Feb. 19, Ages 3-5  
Feb. 20, Ages 6-8  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm



## Art in Winter

Feb. 19, Ages 9-13  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm



## BioBlitz

Feb. 19, Ages 9-13  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Farm STEAM - Chain Reactions

Feb. 21, Ages 9-13  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm



## Adventures in Winter - Scavenger Hunt

Feb. 22, Ages 6-8  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Healthy Winter Cooking

Feb. 22 & Feb. 23, Ages 9-13  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm



## Adventures in Winter - Shelters

Feb. 23, Ages 6-8  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Farm Education Engineering and Design

Feb. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, Ages 9-13  
12:30-3:30 pm



Visit our website or scan here  
for details & registration!

[hollyhillfarm.org/february-vacation](http://hollyhillfarm.org/february-vacation)



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**Holly Hill Farm**  
A Farm for Teaching & Learning





# SOUTH SHORE CHILDREN'S CHORUS

QUINCY | HANOVER | SHARON | BRIDGEWATER

## NEW SINGERS WELCOME IN JANUARY!!

Rehearsals begin the last week of January for new singers to join us in grades K-12 at our four convenient locations. All programs are **audition-free** and tuition assistance is available for those who apply.



LEARN MORE & SIGN UP  
[www.sscchorus.org](http://www.sscchorus.org)





## **PRESS RELEASE**

January 2024

Contact: Ellyn Moller – 617-771-2378

### **QArts Gallery and Quincy Art Association start the new year off with a bang. Two phenomenal art exhibits, and a dozen classes.**

The exhibits at the QArts Gallery are a must see. Opalescence, a solo show of oils by Dorchester artist Vincent Crotty, immerses you into his world of light and shadow, harmoniously sharing thirty-six canvases with brilliant and moody colors and textures. Vincent chooses land and seascapes of both serene and bustling locations. Vincent has been exhibiting his work for over 35 years, with gallery shows in Ireland and throughout the US. His paintings have been recognized with awards from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the John Stobart Foundation, Plein Air Magazine, and plein air competitions internationally.

Running parallel with Vincent Crotty is Deb Putnam of South Boston. Deb Putnam's work is showcased in the gallery's very first Member of the Month exhibit. Her paintings depict the ordinary of family life in an extraordinarily sensitive use of her brush and palette. Her Boston-scapes reflect the soul of a changing city. Deb's oil paintings can be found in local art exhibitions and in private collections. She is a member of the Quincy Arts Association and the Portrait Society of America.

A reception at the QArts Gallery is planned for Sunday, January 28, 3-5 p.m. Public is cordially invited. Free event, light refreshments served. Many works will be available for sale. Both exhibitions run through February 10.

At QAA studios located at 26 High School Ave., we are offering classes for children, teens, and adults taught by our talented and accomplished member faculty. You'll certainly find something that scratches your creative itch. Details and easy online registration is now open. Visit [quincyartma.org/classes](http://quincyartma.org/classes).

QAA's talented vendor members offer original works and matted prints, hand-made jewelry, stunning ceramics, note cards, and other locally made items, offered for purchase in the QArts Gallery Gift Shop.

Gallery Hours: Sat. & Sun. Noon-5PM. Pop-up hours may occur Thursday and Friday, 2-5 PM depending on volunteer availability. The QArts Gallery is managed and operated by volunteer members of the Quincy Art Association.

Thank you to The City of Quincy, Mass Cultural Council, The Janet Burke Mann Foundation, Granite City Electric Supply Company/WAC Lighting, Quirk Auto Dealerships, Dream Realty, Foxrock Properties, Eastern Bank, Northeast Community Bank, Colonial Federal Savings Bank, Altrusa, and Wollaston Wine & Spirits, for their support of the QAA.

The QArts Gallery, 1229 Hancock St., Quincy, MA 02169 (across from Quincy College). Email: [info@quincyartma.org](mailto:info@quincyartma.org). For more information about the gallery, classes, events, and other news, please visit [www.quincyartma.org](http://www.quincyartma.org)

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## Parents and Guardians

### You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.\*

You can participate in this free service\* just by sending a text message of “Y” or “Yes” to our school’s short code number, **67587**.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with “**Stop**”.

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the [Student Privacy Pledge™](#), so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



**Opt-In from  
your mobile  
phone now!**



**Just send  
“Y” or “Yes”  
to 67587**

**i** Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:

SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a “text message”. Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as “short code” texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you’ve ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

\*Terms and Conditions – Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See [schoolmessenger.com/txt](http://schoolmessenger.com/txt) for more info.



# Padres y Tutores

## Ustedes pueden aprovechar nuestro Servicio de Mensajes de Texto

Nuestra escuela utiliza el sistema de SchoolMessenger para entregar mensajes de texto, directamente a su teléfono móvil con información importante sobre eventos, cierres de escuelas, alertas de seguridad y mucho más.

Usted puede participar en este servicio gratis\* con sólo enviar un mensaje de texto de "Y" o "Yes" al número de código corto de nuestra escuela, **67587**.

También puede optar por no recibir estos mensajes en cualquier momento simplemente respondiendo a uno de nuestros mensajes con "Stop".

SchoolMessenger es compatible con el **Student Privacy Pledge™** (Compromiso Con La Privacidad de Los Estudiantes). Puede estar seguro que su información es segura y nunca será entregada o vendida a nadie.



**Opte por recibir mensajes de texto en su teléfono móvil ahora!**

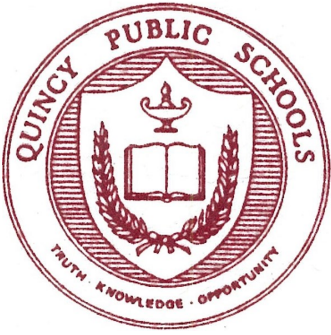


**Sólo tiene que enviar "Y" o "Yes" a 67587**

**i** Información sobre los mensajes de texto SMS y códigos cortos:

SMS significa "servicio de mensajes cortos" y comúnmente se conoce como un "mensaje de texto". La mayoría de los teléfonos celulares son compatibles con este tipo de mensajes de texto. Nuestro proveedor de notificación, SchoolMessenger, utiliza un cierto protocolo SMS desarrollado por la industria de las telecomunicaciones específicamente para enviar mensajes de texto en masa, referido como mensajes de texto "código corto." Este método es rápido, seguro y muy confiable, y está estrictamente regulado por los proveedores de servicios inalámbricos y sólo permite el acceso a los proveedores aprobados. Si alguna vez ha enviado un voto de texto para un programa de televisión a un número como 46999, usted ha usado los mensajes de texto de código corto.

\* Términos y Condiciones -las frecuencias de los mensajes pueden variar. mensajes y datos estándar pueden aplicar. Responda HELP para obtener ayuda. Texto STOP para cancelar. Los operadores móviles no son responsables por los mensajes retrasados o los que no se entregan.. Mire [schoolmessenger.com/txt](http://schoolmessenger.com/txt) para mas información.



# **Quincy Public Schools is Hiring!**

**. *Classroom Paraprofessionals***

**. *Lunch Attendants***

**. *Bus Drivers***

**. *Substitute Teachers***

**. *Substitute Secretaries***



For more information, go to:

[https://www.quincypublicschools.com/our\\_district/academic\\_support/human\\_resources\\_department/current\\_employment\\_opportunities](https://www.quincypublicschools.com/our_district/academic_support/human_resources_department/current_employment_opportunities)

Or call the QPS Human Resources Department at  
617.984.8767