

Attention Grade 8 Parents

*Quincy Public Schools is hosting an
Open House to share with you the
educational opportunities available at our high schools:*

Where: Quincy High School

100 Coddington Street

Quincy, MA 02169

When: Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: North Quincy High School

316 Hancock Street

No. Quincy, MA 02171

When: Thursday, December 15, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m.



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 for more info.





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

Or call the QPS Human Resources Department at
617.984.8767



Holiday Shopping Expo

November 12th, 2022

10am to 4pm

North Quincy High School

Price : \$5 admission fee
Free for children 12 and younger

Over 120 small business vendors, high value raffles, Ginger Betty's cookie decorating, personalized hand lettered ornaments by Dainty Scripts and ... SANTA!

Santa will be joining us from 10am to 1pm and Ella Farrell Photography will be offering ONE FREE digital download photo!



See you there!



Created by Dainty Scripts



South Shore Healthy Homes Program

Did you know that over half of the homes in Quincy and Weymouth have lead paint?

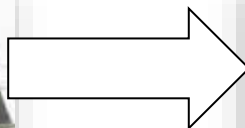
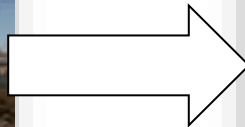
This invisible, and often ignored, hazard is dangerous to everyone, especially for children under the age of 6 and women who are pregnant, and can cause severe neurological damages.

To tackle this problem, the City of Quincy's Office of Healthy Homes offers a FREE Lead Abatement Program to low/moderate income residents in Quincy and Weymouth who have homes built before 1978. This income range qualifies a good number of residents in both areas.

Eligible applicants will receive assistance from the grant program, which includes a full home assessment that often results in new windows, doors, interior and exterior painting, and updated safety appliances and adds significant value to the property. They will also receive a \$1,500 tax credit and, if necessary, provisions for relocation. The program is open to tenants, landlords, and homeowners, as well as individuals with vacant units!

Help us keep the community in which we live a little safer by ensuring that all are lead-safe and healthy homes. Please visit our website at <https://www.officeofhealthyhomes.org/> to apply for the program or call us at (617) 376-1054 if there are any questions!

Here are a few before & after photos of previously completed projects:



YOUR ENERGY BILLS ARE GOING UP THIS WINTER. HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO.



Due to the pandemic and high natural gas prices worldwide, electricity and gas supply prices are set to be very high this winter. New and expanded assistance programs are available to help customers pay bills or manage the increase.

YOUR UTILITY COMPANY CAN HELP

If you are behind on your utility bills, you should call your utility company immediately and ask about their payment plans. Utilities are offering several customer assistance programs, including flexible payment plans (regardless of income) and balance forgiveness plans for those eligible. You will be protected from shutoff if you make payments as scheduled under the plan.

BERKSHIRE GAS
(800) 292-5012

EVERSOURCE
(866) 861-6225 (East)
(877) 963-2632 (West)

LIBERTY
(800) 544-4944

NATIONAL GRID
(800) 322-3223

UNITIL
(888) 301-7700

INCOME-ELIGIBLE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Don't wait to apply for income-eligible assistance programs. First, contact your utility to apply for an income-eligible rate which provides a discount on your whole bill. Second, you may qualify for the federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). LIHEAP eligibility is evaluated based on your gross household income for the past 4 weeks. Use the contact info below to find your local community action agency where you can apply for LIHEAP.

→ masscap.org/heatinghelpma • Cold Relief Heatline: (800) 632-8175 • mass.gov/hed/fuel

HELP FOR RENTERS

Renters struggling to afford rent and utility costs may qualify for Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). Renters experiencing financial hardship because of COVID-19 should ask if they are eligible through one of six regional housing agencies.

→ mass.gov/CovidHousingHelp

OTHER ASSISTANCE

If you don't qualify for income-based assistance, there may also be funds available to assist you. If your household income is between 60 to 80 percent of the state median income, you may be able to receive help from the Good Neighbor Energy Fund.

→ magoodneighbor.org/assistance

COMPETITIVE ELECTRIC SUPPLIERS

A study by the AG's Office found that most electric supplier customers lose money in the long run. Beware of deceptive marketing promising savings as compared to the utility's high winter electric prices. If you have a supplier, check if your rate is still competitive with your utility's. Contact the AG's Office with questions.

SHUTOFF MORATORIUM

From November 15 to March 15, there is a moratorium in place that prevents shutting off your gas or electric if you use that to heat your home. But know that you will still owe payment for your bills. To avoid falling into debt, take advantage of fuel assistance programs or enroll in a budget-installment plan.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE

{ Attorney General's Office • (617) 727-8400 • mass.gov/ago/fuelassistance
Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities • (617) 737-2836 • mass.gov/dpu



Manet Community Health Center
manetchc.org



FREE COMMUNITY VACCINE CLINICS

COVID-19 Vaccines & Boosters

Every Thursday, 5-7 p.m.

COVID-19 and Flu

Saturday, November 12, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Manet Community Health Center
110 West Squantum Street, North Quincy

Appointments recommended. Walk-ins welcome if capacity allows.

Pfizer and Moderna vaccines and boosters for all eligible ages.

Parental consent required for anyone under 18.

Scan the QR code to make an appointment, or book online at www.manetchc.org/covid-19-vaccine.

If you need assistance or have questions, call 617-376-3000.



Quincy School ~ Community Partnership and
Mayor Thomas P. Koch
present



*'Tis the Season...
Symphony & Song!*

Celebrate the sounds of the holiday season with the

*Quincy Symphony Orchestra
Quincy Public Schools Combined High School Choral Group
and
John Adams Orchestra*

*Thursday, December 1, 2022
Quincy High School
Lloyd Hill Performing Arts Center
7:00 P.M.*

General Admission: \$20.00

Tickets may be purchased at both North Quincy High and Quincy High School

Dinner, Performance and VIP Seating: \$40.00

A 3 course dinner will be served at Presidents Cafe (located in Quincy High School) prior to the evening performance. Dinner seating begins at 5:00 p.m. Dinner/Performance tickets must be purchased at Quincy Public Schools, 34 Coddington Street, Quincy, MA 02169 by November 29, 2022. Seating is limited. For additional information please call (617) 984-8731.

THE CITY OF QUINCY

Celebrates Christmas and the Holiday Season 2022

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year!



HANCOCK-ADAMS COMMON TREE LIGHTING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

5:00-7:00 p.m.
Hancock-Adams Common
1305 Hancock Street

Strolling Carolers, Fire Shows, Costumed Characters, Letter writing to Santa, free hot chocolate and popcorn, a holiday sing-a-long and performance by Lori Regan, Mark Carey and Shayna Micol from Dick n Jane and more...Join Mayor Thomas Koch and a special guest from the North Pole as they flip the ceremonial switch to bring the holiday spirit to the Hancock Adams Common.



SANTA'S ARRIVAL BY HELICOPTER

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

12 noon
Pageant Field
(One Merrymount Pkwy)

Santa and his elves arrive in Quincy by helicopter, landing at Pageant Field, at this fun family event. While waiting for the touchdown of the Jolly Old Elf and friends, say hello to one of the friendly costumed characters!



THE 69TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

12:00-3:30 p.m.
Hancock Street

The 69th Christmas Parade has been a tradition for Quincy families for many years. Floats, marching bands, and costumed characters fill Quincy streets, spreading holiday joy to all. The parade route begins at the intersection of Hancock Street and Walter J. Hannon Parkway, continuing up Hancock Street to North Quincy High School.



GENERALS BRIDGE & PARK TREE LIGHTING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

5:00 p.m.
Generals Bridge & Park
Corner of Dunford Drive & McConville Way

The City of Quincy honors our active and retired military in a tree lighting ceremony. Family & friends can sign the name of those who have served and are currently serving on a yellow ribbon that will adorn the tree in the Generals Park.



CHRISTMAS GATHERING AT THE CRÈCHE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

6:30-7:30 p.m.
Hancock Adams Common

Join us for Christmas Carols and Christmas prayers at the manger scene next to Old Town Hall.



MENORAH LIGHTING HANCOCK-ADAMS COMMON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

5:00 p.m.
Hancock-Adams Common
1305 Hancock Street

Join us in a ceremony to light the first candle on the menorah outside City Hall on the Hancock-Adams Common, as we observe the beginning of Chanukah.



SHOP, DINE & CELEBRATE

Kick off the holiday season by grabbing lunch or dinner at one of Quincy's many restaurants. Enjoy the holiday light display at the parks. And don't forget to shop local for gifts and gift cards.



SANTA'S MAILBOX

Letters to Santa can be placed in "Santa's Mailbox" at the events all weekend and then at Hancock-Adams Common through the holiday season.



TAG US!

Show us how you celebrate the holiday in Quincy. Tag us when taking your photos in the parks. @CityofQuincy



City of Quincy
Massachusetts

QUINCY FOUNDATION



PARKING! Kilroy Square Parking Garage will be available as well as Presidents Place Parking Garage.

PLEASE NOTE: In the interest of public safety, all bags and backpacks are subject to search.



21ST ANNUAL SQUANTUM TURKEY TROT



THANKSGIVING MORNING! Nov. 24th 9:00AM Nickerson Post, 20 Moon Island Road

Looking for a way to get some exercise and movement in before the feast of the year?
Join your friends, family, and neighbors for the 21st annual Squantum Turkey Trot.

\$25 entrance fee includes a long sleeve shirt and refreshments, both while they last.

All proceeds benefit the Squantum 4th of July Parade. Checks can be made payable to
"Squantum 4th of July" and can be sent to 38 Wedgewood St, Squantum, MA
02171 with the completed application. Or Venmo @TarynMMiller

Sign ups will also be accepted starting at 8am the morning of the race but we would
appreciate you signing up ahead of time.

Questions can be sent to Taryn and Brian Miller at
SquantumTurkeyTrot@gmail.com or 617-780-4546

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

Email _____

Shirt Size(S-XL) _____

Your signature on this application waives The July 4th Committee, its sponsors and representatives from all
claims and liabilities of any kind arising out of your participation in this event including but not limited to
falls, effects of weather, traffic and other conditions of the road.

Signature _____ Date: _____

NORFOLK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Holiday appenings

AT THE BRAINTREE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX

FRIDAY
DECEMBER 9
FROM 4:00 - 7:00PM

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 11
FROM 3:00 - 6:00PM

TONS OF WINTER ACTIVITIES TO ENJOY
MEET SANTA - CAROLERS - CRAFTS -
HOLIDAY MUSIC - SNACKS
& MUCH MORE!

2015 WASHINGTON STREET
BRAINTREE, MA

FREE FOR ALL AGES!

<https://subscribepage.io/scratch1122>

Quincy Coders

Website

Sign up here: <https://subscribepage.io/scratch1122>

Free Programming class for kids

Who: Kids grades 5-8 (older kids/adults also welcome)

What: Introductory programming workshop using the scratch programming language (no experience necessary)

When: 12/10/2022 10-11:30am (subject to change)

Where: North Quincy Public library

This is a first come first serve program. Please sign up using the link below to be notified. You should be able to bring a laptop with you. (chromebook/windows/macs)





DINO V E M B E R



FALL II STORYTIMES	AGES 3+	AGES 2-3	AGES 4-8	12-24 MONTHS	AGES 2-3	AGES 2-3	4-11 MONTHS	12-24 MONTHS
	MONDAYS 10AM	MONDAYS 10AM	MONDAYS 3PM	TUESDAYS 10AM	TUESDAYS 10AM	WEDS. 10AM	THURSDAYS 9:30AM	THURSDAYS 11AM
	MAIN LIBRARY	NORTH QUINCY	REGISTRATION REQUIRED WOLLASTON	REGISTRATION REQUIRED MAIN LIBRARY	ADAMS SHORE	MAIN LIBRARY	MAIN LIBRARY	MAIN LIBRARY REGISTRATION REQUIRED
	11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5 & 12/12	11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5 & 12/12	11/14, 11/21, 11/28, 12/5 & 12/12	11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6 & 12/13	11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6 & 12/13	11/16, 11/23, 11/30, 12/7, & 12/14	11/17, 12/1, 12/8, & 12/15	11/17, 12/1, 12/8, & 12/15

3
6:30PM
Family PJ Storytime
 AGES 1-5. at the Main Library

5
10AM
TOY TIME
 AGES 9-23 MONTHS at the Main Library

5
3PM
DINOMAN DINOSAURS!
 AGES 3+. at the Main Library

19
10:30 & 11AM
Music & Movement
 with Ms. Rubi!
 In the Main Library Meeting Room

10- W
16- AS
19- NQ
26- ML

Preschool Discovery: Dinosaurs!
 AGES 3-5. at these branches:
 WOLLASTON. NOVEMBER 10 at 3PM
 ADAMS SHORE. NOVEMBER 16 at 3PM
 NORTH QUINCY. NOVEMBER 19 at 10AM
 MAIN LIBRARY. NOVEMBER 26 at 10AM

12
10AM
Native American Heritage Month *Storytime*
 AGES 3+. at the Main Library

14
6:15PM
ARABIC STORYTIME
 AGES 3+. at the Adams Shore Branch

15
7PM
DUNGEONS & DRAGONS *Online & in-person at Main Library*
 REGISTRATION REQUIRED AGES 10-15

To register online, visit our website at thomascranellibrary.org/events-calendar and click on this program's title on NOVEMBER 15.

16
6:30-8PM
Ex.P.L.O.R.E. *(Experiment Play Learn Observe Read Examine)*
 GRADES 4-6 AT WOLLASTON LIBRARY

BOOK CLUBS FOR KIDS

NIGHT OWL BOOK CLUB
Grades 3 & 4
 NORTH QUINCY: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AT 7PM
 MAIN LIBRARY: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 AT 7PM

This month join us for *A True Home* by Kallie George. The first in the Heartwood Hotel series about a mouse discovering the true meaning of home in this charming, illustrated chapter book abounds in courage, kindness and adventure. Copies of the book are available to check out or as an e-book or audiobook.

GRAPHIC NOVELS ONLY! BOOK CLUB
Grades 3-5
 NOVEMBER 9 AT 7PM, MAIN LIBRARY

This month we'll be discussing Mac Barnett's *The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza*. Something terrible is happening in the skies! Rates are eating the moon and there's only one hero for this job... a cat! A cat who will be blasted into space. Copies of the book are available in the Children's Room or as ebook.

VISIT US ONLINE ANYTIME AT THOMASCRANELIBRARY.ORG



The registration for the Spring 2023 season has just opened. To register, please access your sportspilot account or by following this link on the Quincy Youth Soccer website (<http://www.quincyyouthsoccer.com/qys-programs.html>). Click on the registration and follow the prompts

For the U6 program

- Age Eligibility: Date of Birth between 9/1/2016 – 8/31/2017
- Registration will be open from 11/1/2022 – 04/08/2023
- Fee: \$75

For U7 – U15 programs:

- Age Eligibility (Date of birth):
 - U7: 9/1/2015 – 8/31/2016
 - U8: 9/1/2014 – 8/31/2015
 - U10: 9/1/2012 – 8/31/2014
 - U12: 9/1/2010 – 8/31/2012
 - U15: 9/1/2007 – 8/31/2010
- Registration Times and Fees
 - 11/1/2022 – 12/31/2022: \$100 / player
 - 01/01/2023 – 02/15/2023: \$130 / player
 - 2/16/2023 – 03/18/2023: \$150 / player
 - 03/19/2023 - closed

As a reminder, a number of divisions fill quickly, so don't wait until the last minute to register.

Thank you and if you have any questions please let us know.
vpinhouse@quincyyouthsoccer.com