

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2023

# THE PULSE OF RINI

RINI Community News

## At-a-Glance

### SPECIAL REMINDERS

**Chromebooks ONLY, Please:** Students are only allowed to use their Chromebooks in school when they are online – NO EXCEPTIONS. The RINI network has specific safety measures in place to protect your students from online intrusions. This important safety net does not extend to other laptops that students may bring to school. As a result, students MAY NOT use their personal laptops and tablets in school to access online work. Students can take notes on tablets but will still need their school issued computer. Please remind your students to pack their school-approved Chromebooks and chargers each morning.

**IEPs & 504s:** If your student has an IEP, please contact Ms. Marin Murphy ([mmurphy@rinimc.org](mailto:mmurphy@rinimc.org)) for any IEP related questions. If your student has a 504, please contact Ms. Jenny Santana ([jsantana2@rinimc.org](mailto:jsantana2@rinimc.org)) for any 504 related questions.

### SAT Bootcamp for RI Students

Do you have students getting ready for the November and December SAT? Schoolhouse is excited to share that we are launching recruitment for our November SAT Bootcamps (in preparation for the November 4th SAT) next Monday, September 25th. Students and their parents can sign up at [this link](#) ahead of the October 4th registration deadline. Please share this information with your students and families. If you have additional questions, please contact [brittany.brown@ride.ri.gov](mailto:brittany.brown@ride.ri.gov).



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## Dates to Remember

- SEPTEMBER 30TH: WATERFIRE TEACHER OF THE YEAR
- OCTOBER 1ST: BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH BEGINS
- OCTOBER 9TH: INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY
- OCTOBER 11TH: PSATS/SATS

## Upcoming Events

PLEASE SEE THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR MORE INFORMATION

- FREE DENTAL CLINIC: SEPTEMBER 30TH - OCTOBER 1ST @ 335R PRAIRIE AVE, PROVIDENCE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS
- TOBACCO SEARCH & RESCUE: OCTOBER 1ST, 3PM - 5PM
- BACK TO SCHOOL PARENT HEALTH NIGHT: OCTOBER 5TH, 5:30PM - 7PM @ RINI MIDDLE COLLEGE
- FREE FLU CLINIC: NOVEMBER 16TH, 9AM - 11AM @ RINI MIDDLE COLLEGE; REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT [SCHOOLFLU.COM](http://SCHOOLFLU.COM)

## After School Clubs

RINI TUTORING CENTER: OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY, 3-4 PM IN THE CAFETERIA

DEIB CLUB (DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND BELONGING): EVERY TUESDAY, 3-4 PM

STUDENT COUNSEL: MONDAYS, 3-3:30 PM. THE FIRST MEETING OF THE YEAR IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH.



## Excellentia!

I want to start off by thanking everyone for a successful start to the school year. Classes are well underway, and students and families will soon have access to PowerSchool, where they will be able to check on grades, attendance, and course progress. Likewise, we anticipate rolling out SchoolPass in early October. As a reminder, visitors to the school must have a photo ID in order to be allowed to enter the building. Visitors without photo IDs will not be allowed to enter the school.

This year, our school community would like to have more involvement with our students' families. We need families to be involved as we work towards student success, and as we consider what our students need in order to succeed, we know our families need to be a part of those conversations about student achievement. With that, we'd like to invite parents and families to our upcoming Back to School Health Night, which will be held at RINI on October 5th from 5:30-7PM.

Additionally, I'd like to ask families for your feedback: what are the things that you think we're doing well here at RINI? What are the things that you wish we did more of, and how do you think we could ensure we're best supporting your children? It takes an entire community to raise a child, and we want to be able to make decisions with families' needs in mind—but we need your voices to help us in making those decisions.

Underclassmen will be taking the PSATs in early October, while seniors will be taking the SATs on the same day, October 11th. I am asking that all students arrive to school early that day, and that families help students get a good night's sleep the night before. Additional information regarding testing will be sent via email to families soon.

I'd like to end with a reminder that we are here to help support students and families. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out so that we can work together towards your student's success.



In partnership,  
Principal Ferland

"It takes time to create excellence. If it could be done quickly, more people would do it."

JOHN WOODEN

# School Shoutouts

## Student Spotlight

This week, RINI would like to recognize 10th grader **Mia Estrella-Gomez** for our Student Spotlight. Mia was nominated for the Student Spotlight by her teacher, Ms. Chelette, who says that Mia's "quiet kindness, caring nature, and huge heart were among the first things [she] noticed about her...her hard work is not only evident, but she is more than ready for feedback and does not shy away when challenged...she exhibits the qualities of our four pillars every single day." Thank you for your excellence, Mia!

## National Honor Society Inductees

The inductees to the Rhode Island Chapter of the National Honor Society have been selected. We extend our congratulations to the following 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students who have been selected:



# NURSE'S NOOK & UPDATES FROM STUDENT SUPPORT

## Nurse's Nook

## Nurse's Nook (continued)

## Guidance and Advisory Updates

### Do You Know Who Your School Counselor Is?

#### 9th Grade

Franzoni: A-Lewis  
Advisories: Deeley, Mendonca, Minardi, Lombardo  
Coetzee: Lopes-Willie  
Advisories: Lemoi, Tiburcio, Richard, Chelette, Braxton

#### 11th Grade

Franzoni: A- Madison  
Advisories: Febles, Orton, Reynolds, Boger  
Coetzee: Marte Dotel - Yac Matzatz  
Advisories: Reynoso, Demers, Streisand

#### 10th Grade

Franzoni: A-Leslie  
Advisories: Fusaro, Coyne, Coetzee, Boyajian  
Coetzee: Liranzo - Young  
Advisories: MacDonald, Newbury, Whitaker, Dolan

#### 12th Grade

Franzoni: A-Mosquea  
Advisories: Gaspar/Pitrone  
Coetzee: Navarro - Vargas Melo  
Advisories: Angell

## Medical Insurance

Do you or members of your family need medical insurance? RINI has connections to various organizations that can help families in need of medical insurance. If you would like more information, please contact Ms. Santana, Director of Nursing at RINI at Jsantana2@rinimc.org.

## PVD Connects

Do you need the internet? Are you a Providence resident? PVD Connects that will pay 30 dollars a month for internet service. [Here is the link](#). City of Providence PVD Connects - City of Providence (providenceri.gov) This is a need based resource.

## Around Town

[Roger Williams Park Botanical Center](#) – Free admittance on the first Saturday of every month for Providence residents! Follow the link for more information.

[RISD Museum](#) – With a collection of more than 100,000 objects -- ranging from ancient times to the present -- the RISD Museum is a dynamic cultural center offering critically acclaimed exhibitions and lively public programs for all ages. Admission is free on Sundays from 10am - 5pm and Thursday evenings from 5 - 8pm.



# Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 - October 15

By:  
Mia Estrella Gomez

Why do we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month?

We celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month to recognize the achievements and contributions of Hispanic American champions who have inspired others to achieve success.

Here at RINI we celebrate every community! We value respect and honor!





# Events - Additional Information

## BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT



150 WASHINGTON ST, PROVIDENCE RI

COMMUNITY RESOURCES  
BREAST CANCER AWARENESS PRESENTATION

We are thrilled to invite you to our Back to School Event, which will be held on October 5th, 2023, from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM at our school location: 150 Washington St, Providence, RI 02903.

We have planned an engaging evening for all attendees, and we encourage both students and parents to join us for this special occasion.

Please register for our Back to School Parent Health Event here:

[Register for Back to School Parent Health Event](#)

### Event Highlights:

#### Free Community Resources:

- Discover valuable local resources and organizations that can support you throughout the school year.
- Learn about opportunities for internships, volunteering, and community engagement.
- Connect with fellow students to build a strong network.

#### Breast Cancer Awareness Presentation:

- Join us for an informative and important presentation on breast cancer awareness.
- Gain knowledge about early detection, prevention, and support resources.
- Show your support for breast cancer survivors and advocates within our community.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to us!

We look forward to seeing all of our students, parents, and faculty members at the Back to School Event on October 5th. Let's make this school year the best one yet!

See you soon,  
Jenny Santana

## FREE DENTAL CLINIC Sept. 30-Oct. 1 | RIMOM.org

335R Prairie Ave | Providence Community Health Centers



Line opens 5:30 AM  
First Come, First Served  
No Early Arrivals

### SERVICES PROVIDED AT CLINIC

- Cleanings
- X-Rays
- Fillings
- Root canal treatment on front teeth only
- Tooth extractions
- Oral Health Instructions

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- There's no childcare supervision at RIMOM.
- Children from 12 to 18 years old MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian.
- No services provided for children under 12.

### SERVICES NOT (X) PROVIDED

- X Root canals on back (molar) teeth
- X Extractions of impacted wisdom teeth
- X Full or partial dentures
- X Small denture repairs
- X Caps (crowns)
- X Tooth whitening

### PREMIER SPONSORS 2023



PATIENTS ARE SEEN UNTIL THE CLINIC REACHES CAPACITY



## Events - Additional Information



The poster features a yellow background with a central illustration of a person in a blue shirt gesturing towards two red prohibition signs: one over a hand holding a cigarette and another over a cigarette. Above the person are two circular icons: one showing a hand holding a lit cigarette and another showing a cigarette with a red prohibition sign. Below the person are two curved arrows pointing outwards. At the bottom, there are illustrations of green trees on the left and a group of people sitting on the ground in a park-like setting on the right.

# TOBACCO SEARCH & RESCUE

VOLUNTEER HOURS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED

**ORGANIZED BY RI TEEN INSTITUTE  
GRADUATES**

Roger Williams Park Temple to Music  
Youth TOBACCO SEARCH MISSION

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 1, 2023**



**3:00PM-5:00PM**

Snacks, drinks, and all supplies will be provided!!  
Rain Date: Sunday, October 15



**SIGN UP HERE^**

## Events - Additional Information



# DON'T LET THE FLU GET YOU!

**FREE CLINIC hosted at:**

**RI Nurses Institute Middle College**  
150 Washington Street  
Providence, RI 02903

**Thursday, 11/16/2023**  
**9:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

**Participants: Students and Staff/Faculty**

**Location: Cafeteria**

**Vaccines Offered:**

- Flu Injectable
- FluMist
- COVID-19 (based on availability)


• Online registration required to guarantee an appointment.

• Limited Walk Ins allowed based on available resources.

• If you have insurance, remember to bring your card.

• No out-of-pocket cost for anyone. No money will be collected.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED:**  
Register at [schoolflu.com](https://schoolflu.com) or scan the QR code  
**ENTER LOGIN ID TO REGISTER: rini**



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