## For ALL REGISTRATIONS and/or questions, please contact Julie Shine at: <a href="mailto:jshine@easton.k12.ma.us">jshine@easton.k12.ma.us</a> or 508-205-5900 ext.12122

- · A minimum of 10 people will be required in most classes in order for the session(s) to run. (So please register EARLY if you are interested!)
- · Most offerings have an enrollment cap. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. If you must cancel, please do so ASAP by contacting Julie Shine in Central Office.
- · Participants will be notified via email should an offering be canceled due to low enrollment at least one week prior when possible.
- · All workshops are provided to EPS parents and community FREE of charge unless otherwise noted.
- Payment information is included when there is a nominal charge., and participants must pay fees prior to first class.
- · Any materials needed will be provided UNLESS otherwise indicated.
- · Transportation and child care are NOT provided for participants (UNLESS otherwise noted).
- · Sessions will NOT be held on dates when EPS has canceled school due to inclement weather.

EASTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS 48 Spooner Street, Easton, MA 02356 508-205-5900 ext. 12122

Christine Pruitt, Assistant Superintendent

cpruitt@easton.k12.ma.us

Julie Shine, Administrative Assistant
jshine@easton.k12.ma.us

# EASTON COMMUNITY UNIVERSITY

Fall 2023
Easton Public Schools

#### What's Inside:

DEA National Drug Take Back Local events at the Ames Free Library, Natural Resources Trust of Easton, Old Colony YMCA, Easton SEPAC, and more...



Here in the Easton Public Schools, we believe that educating parents about their child's experience(s) in school as well as helping the community to understand what is happening in the district are important components in working collaboratively for the good of all students. We have provided hundreds of opportunities for staff to be continuous and lifelong learners and stay current in educational issues and trends. Easton Community University (ECU) does the same for the Easton community.

ECU has been able to bring more seminars, workshops, and classes to assist families and residents of Easton to better understand the EPS mission as well as provide guidance and skills helpful in navigating through education and childhood. We will also include sessions that create collaborative experiences between teachers and parents and/or provide a service to residents.

As we all know, education is moving, evolving, and morphing each and every day. We are all working hard to navigate all of the changes and expectations! We know that you, as parents and community neighbors, are encountering the same changes. Helping you to understand where we are headed and why, will only assist us all in communicating more effectively and clearly.

If there are topics that would be of interest or assistance to you, please contact us with your suggestions. If you have an interest in offering a workshop, please send us your proposal as well! Help us to support you as we work together to provide the very best for all of Easton's children which, of course, benefits the entire community.



## TURN IN YOUR UNNEEDED MEDICATION FOR SAFE DISPOSAL.

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**Easton Police Department, 46 Lothrop Street** 

Easton Police and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Bring your prescription medications for disposal to the Easton Police Station. Over-the-counter and pet medications will also be accepted.

Sharps (needles, syringes) are no longer accepted as part of the drug take back day. However, Easton residents are able to bring household sharps to the Easton Fire Department - Station 3 at 413 Bay Road Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 4:00pm and Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm. Sharps must be secured in capped, puncture resistant plastic containers, such as laundry detergent bottles or red sharps containers.











Trunk-or-Treat in the YMCA parking lot!

**Date and time:** Friday, October 27 · 5 - 7pm **Location:** Old Colony YMCA - Easton Branch

25 Elm Street Easton, MA 02356

#### What is Trunk or Treat?

To promote a safe and fun environment for the community, we will be hosting a trick or treat alternative. Kids can trick or treat from trunk to trunk in a line-up of vehicles parked in the parking lot with trunks or tailgates full of goodies.

#### How will it work this year?

Trick or treaters will be able to walk through the trunk displays to receive their treats from our volunteers. Staff will monitor the event to prevent overcrowding.

#### Want to enter your trunk?

We are looking for volunteers to decorate their trunk (not required) and pass out goodies! Pick a theme or create your own and bring LOTS of treats for the kids in our community to help keep them off the streets. Contact Melinda Ryan at mryan@oldcolonyymca.org or 508-238-9758 x1618 for more info.

#### Ticket info:

\$5 for non-members, Free for Old Colony Y Members <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trunk-or-treat-tickets-727029483757">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trunk-or-treat-tickets-727029483757</a>

Family friendly costumes and trunk decorations please. Rain or shine!



## Natural Resources Trust



### **Sheep Pasture Calendar**

#### **FAMILY STEM NIGHTS**

5:30 - 6:30 PM

Join NRT Educator Hannah as you put your science, technology, math, and engineering skills to the test. This one-hour program will provide you with all the materials needed to develop your own science experiments. These programs are best suited for children in grades 3-5 but all ages are welcomed. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Pre-Register Online \$1.5/ Up to 5 People
Walk-in (Cash Only) Member - \$15 Non-Member \$20/ Up to 5 People

#### SHEEP PASTURE AFTER DARK

6:00 - 7:30 PM

Night Hikes are back at Sheep Pasture! Join our educators after hours as we discover nature in a whole new way. Each program will feature a unique topic with hands-on activities, wildlife exploration and hikes on Sheep Pasture trails. Programs are suitable for families and individuals of all ages.

Pre-Register Online \$15/ Up to 5 People

Walk-in (Cash Only) Member - \$15 Non-Member \$20/ Up to 5 People

#### **SPOOKTACULAR**

Sunday, October 28th 2:00 - 5:30 PM

NRT's Spooktacular is back! Join us for a great family-friendly event that will have special fall themed activities for visitors of all ages! Activities will include: fire pit and s'mores, guided hikes, face painting, Halloween crafts and more! More information coming soon. Be sure to check out our Facebook page and website for more.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR



#### October

- ♦ 1st Harvest Fair
- 18th Family STEM Night: Make Your Own Marble Run
- 26th Sheep Pasture After Dark:
   Haunted Happenings
- 28th Spooktacular

#### November

- 13th Sheep Pasture After Dark:
   New Moon Walk (Ages 13 & Up)
- 28th Sheep Pasture After Dark:
   Owl Prowl

Questions about programs? Contact us at education@nrtofeaston.org or visit us at www.nrtofeaston.org!



307 Main Street, Easton, MA 02356

P.O. Box 188, North Easton, MA 02356 (Mailing Address)

(508) 238-6049 / info@nrtofeaston.org

The NRT of Easton is a private non-profit 501c3 organization, MA #10979546







Music by
Alan Menken

Lyrics by
Howard Ashman
& Glenn Slater

Book by Doug Wright

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen story and the Disney film

Music Adapted & Arranged by

David Weinstein

Director
Alisa Cassola

Music Director Sandra Eddy

Choreographer

Julie Bellini

Stage Manager
Alicia Fleischer

#### **PERFORMANCE DATES**

FRIDAY NOV 17

SATURDAY NOV 18 SUNDAY NOV 19

DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID JR. is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.MTIshows.com







OOOOooooOOO! HalloWEEK is back at the Ames Free Library. We've got a whole week of spooky fun to send (gentle) shivers down your spine! There are activities for all ages through the week, from a costumed catwalk to the ticketed after-hours mind reader event. As always, Youth Services is open for trick or treating on Halloween day - we love to see the kids in their spooky disguises!

#### Hex Marks the Spot! Take & Make Craft

Friday, October 27 at 9:00 AM, while supplies last For all ages, 6 to 96!

Create your own silly or scary bookmark to hold your place in your favorite spooky reads! Pick up a kit to make 3 folded paper bookmarks.

#### Magic and Mind Reading After Hours Event

Saturday, October 28 at 6:30 PM For adults ages 18 and up. Tickets are required.

Join us, if you dare, for an evening of spine-tingling enchantment that will linger in your thoughts long after the Halloween moon sets. Prepare to have your mind read, your beliefs shattered, and your imagination pushed to its limits with magician and mind reader Greg Dwyer. Tickets are required; this is a special after hours event for the benefit of the Ames Free Library.

#### Teens Watch and Chat: The Corpse Bride

Monday, October 30 at 3:00 PM

For teens ages 12-18

In October's Watch and Chat session, teens are invited to a spooky screening of Tim Burton's *Corpse Bride*. Snack, watch, and chat about the film with other teens!

#### Lego Tournament: Haunted House

Monday, October 30 at 5:00 PM

For groups and families with children ages 4 to 12. Registration is required.

Enter a team to compete in a spooky building competition! "Beastliest in show" will be awarded a trophy.

#### **Trick or Treat**

Tuesday, October 31 from 10 AM - 7:30 PM For families with children of all ages Families are invited to stop by in their costumes anytime for a quick visit and a sweet or spooky treat.



## **Easton SEPAC**

## Special Education Parent Advisory Council

### **Information and Resources**

#### **About Easton SEPAC**

The Easton Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) is for families like yours. We are a community of volunteer parents who meet regularly to provide a forum for families to discuss concerns, share information and resources, provide support, learn more about special education, and to advocate for our children. Our meetings are open to all caregivers. Please join us at our upcoming events, as we would love to meet you and hear how we can help your family. We offer regular educational seminars and support groups.

**Full Easton SEPAC Brochure** 



#### HOW CAN PIN HELP YOU? 11/07/2023

Easton SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Council) is pleased to welcome Heather Hogan, Director of Parent Information Network (PIN) to learn how PIN can support YOU. A section of BAMSI, PIN is staffed by parents who have experience of their own with children who have emotional, behavioral, or mental health challenges. This workshop is free and open to all.

#### Please RSVP to: eastonsepac@gmail.com

This activity is organized and solely sponsored by a recognized parent or community organization in support of the Easton Public School District, and not by the school district itself. It is recognized that the intent of the activity is to ultimately support students and families served by the Easton Public School District. However, the District has not approved the personnel or the supervision provided by the parent or community group. Permission to distribute this material has been given by the district.

PLEASE JOIN EASTON SEPAC IN-PERSON

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023

6:00PM

BLANCHE AMES ELEMENTARY 50 SPOONER ST. NORTH EASTON

SECOND FLOOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ROOM

Contact:

eastonsepac@gmail.com

Facebook:

Easton MA SEPAC



We cordially invite you to join us for our Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Meeting on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm at the Blanche Ames Elementary School. This meeting will provide an open platform for us to engage in meaningful conversations about diversity, inclusion, and equality.

During the meeting, we will have the opportunity to hear from District leaders on where the district is currently and we hope to go. Additionally, we encourage active participation from all attendees, as we value the diverse perspectives and voices within our community.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me, Carols Perez, <a href="mailto:cperez@easton.k12.ma.us">cperez@easton.k12.ma.us</a>.

