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Walk the **WALK** to **STOP Bullying** in Rhode Island!

WALK to
STOP
Bullying
May 5th
2012

Join us for the 2nd Annual WALK to STOP Bullying in Rhode Island, to be held on May 5th, 2012 at Roger Williams Park in Providence. The entire Rhode Island community is invited to join together to put an end to bullying in the Ocean State by Walking the WALK to STOP Bullying.

Everyone can participate either as an individual or as

a group including families, friends, schools, PTAs, students, office groups, and faith-based organizations. It will be a 3.1 mile fun walk / roll (Participants can walk, stroller, wagon, or scooter).

"Bullying is wide spread across all grade levels and school districts, and even continues in adulthood," says Matthew Cox, Executive Director at RIPIN. "We believe Rhode Islanders should come together and say this will not be tolerated in our schools and communities. Together, we can be the catalyst for change. We are hopeful that by investing 100% of proceeds from the Walk in community projects will help provide empowering experiences for children, youth, educators, and parents."

The Rhode Island Parent Information Network (RIPIN) is pleased

to announce that 15 Rhode Island schools and community organizations have been awarded mini-grants of up to \$500 each to support innovative projects aimed at stopping or preventing bullying behavior in their schools and communities. Proceeds from RIPIN's 1st Annual Walk to Stop Bullying in RI last year will support effective programs that help prevent bullying in Rhode Island.

Below are the grantees from the 1st Annual Walk to Stop Bullying in RI:

- *Mary E. Fogarty Elementary School/Family Service of RI – Providence \$500*
- *Birchwood Middle School - North Providence - \$500*
- *Rogers High School - Newport - \$500*
- *Thompson Middle School - Newport - \$500*
- *Cranston High School West - Cranston - \$500*
- *VOWS, Inc.(Volunteers of Warwick Schools) – Warwick- \$500*
- *ReThinkIt Movement – South Providence, Providence - \$500*
- *radKIDS Personal Empowerment Program – Bristol -\$500*
- *Lincoln High School – Lincoln -\$500*
- *Nicholas A. Ferri Middle School – Johnston - \$500*
- *William M. Davies, Jr Career and Technical High School – Lincoln -\$500*
- *PAVE-(Partnership to Address Violence through Education) – Kent County- \$500*
- *Hugh B. Bain Middle School – Cranston -\$250*
- *North Providence High School – North Providence -\$250*
- *Ponagansett Middle School – Ponagansett - \$100*



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Senior Project Focused on Bully Prevention Raises \$600.00 for the WALK to STOP Bullying!

Portsmouth High School senior Amanda McCabe a teen black belt at East Bay Martial Arts chose to run a performance tournament to raise awareness and money for the bully problem. The tournament was held this past January at East Bay Martial Arts for students from affiliated schools ages seven through sixteen. Amanda also delivered a heartfelt welcoming speech about the problems with bullying and how martial arts have given her confidence to avoid bullies and to help others through raising awareness.



Walk the WALK to STOP Bullying Grant Recipient Spreads Awareness!



As a junior at Lincoln High School in Lincoln, RI, I decided to focus my Capstone Project on spreading awareness of bullying to help eliminate it in my school. Bullying has become a major issue in today's society; as a teenager, I am aware of the pressures students must deal with relating to school, family, and friends. For my project, I decided to implement Ms. Marianne Douglas's program, *Strategies for Success*, into my school's physical education and health curriculum. Ms. Douglas's highly acclaimed program teaches students how to respect and honor their differences. Instead of focusing on the specific problem of bullying, the program helps to encourage a friendlier environment within the school, which will ultimately lead to the prevention of bullying. The grant given to me by Rhode Island Parent Information Network has helped to pay for the cost of the program, which will be integrated into the health/phys. Ed. curriculum beginning in April 2012. It will include team building exercises and strategies to help improve one's quality of life, which will hopefully increase happiness and decrease frustration amongst students. Though there is no simple solution to bullying, I have taken it upon myself to do my part in the prevention through my Capstone project.

Isra Hussain, Junior at Lincoln High School

Rocky Hill School Students to Walk the WALK!

Alicia Cook, Bully Walk Planning Committee Member and Rocky Hill School alum, stopped by her Alma Mater to speak with Middle School students about the Rhode Island Parent Information Network's 2nd Annual Walk to STOP Bullying in RI on Saturday, May 5, 2012 at Roger Williams Park Carousel in Providence. The Middle School is forming a team to participate in the Walk to Stop Bullying on May 5th, 2012.



Raffle to Support Walk the WALK to STOP Bullying in Rhode Island!

Prizes include:

- Alex and Ani Energy Bracelet
- \$100 Card's Gift Card
- (2) Beginner 30 Day Membership at Mastery Martial Arts (each a \$190 value)



Purchase 1 Ticket for \$5 or Purchase 3 Tickets for \$10

Drawing will be held on May 5th. Raffle tickets can be purchased during registration or at the event.

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May 5, 2012

Roger Williams Park,
Providence

Walk begins at 9:00 am



Join the RI Parent Information Network
for the [2nd Annual Walk to Stop Bullying](#) on Satur-
day, May 5, 2012.

*We'll walk, roll, stroller, and wagon 3.1 miles to put an
end to bullying in RI. Funds raised will support programs
that work to stop bullying!*

Everyone can participate!

- Families • Friends • Schools • PTAs
- Organizations • Youth groups
- Faith-based groups

*Registration:
\$15 – Students under 13
\$20 – Adults

You can also join us as a
Team and help raise money
to support programs that
educate and inform.

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Caminata para **Detener el Abuso** en Rhode Island!

5 de Mayo 2012

en el Parque Roger
Williams en
Providence, RI

Caminata comienza a
las 9:00 a.m.



Únete a la Red de Información de Padres de Rhode Island (RIPIN) para Detener el Abuso entre los jóvenes. *La segunda caminata anual* será **el 5 de Mayo del 2012** en el parque Roger Williams en Providence.

Caminaremos juntos 3.1 millas para ponerle fin al abuso en Rhode Island. Los fondos recaudados servirán para programas que ayudan a detener el abuso entre los jóvenes.

Todos Podemos Participar!

- Familias • Amigos • Escuelas • Organizaciones
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