

# TRIUMPH “TALK”

## October 2019

### Family Calendar and Newsletter



Riverway ~ Fay's Place ~ Barnum ~ 508.822.5388  
Quinn Center ~ 508.823.4710



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 <b>EHS HB Socialization</b> 9:30 a.m. Barnum	4	5
6	7	8 <b>Cooking Matters</b> 9:00 a.m. RW	9	10 <b>EHS HB Socialization</b> 9:30 a.m. Barnum	11	12
13	14 <b>COLUMBUS HOLIDAY-SCHOOL CLOSED</b> 	15 <b>Cooking Matters</b> 9:00 a.m. RW  <b>Parent Comm. Fay's Place</b> 9:00 a.m.  <b>PC Meeting</b> 5:30 p.m. Riverway	16 <b>Parent Committee Quinn Center</b> 9:00 a.m.  	17 <b>Parent Comm. Riverway</b> 9:00 a.m.  <b>EHS HB Socialization</b> 9:30 a.m. Barnum  <b>Board of Director's</b> 4:15 p.m. RW	18	19
20	21 <b>Nurturing Father's Group</b> Barnum 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (call Nancy x208 for reg. information and availability)	22 <b>Cooking Matters</b> 9:00 a.m. RW	23 <b>Triumph Brews &amp; Bites Fundraiser</b> 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Crue Brew Brewery Raynham, MA	24	25 <b>Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Group</b> Barnum 9:30 a.m.	26 <b>Coyle Cassidy Food Pantry</b> 9:00 a.m. Hamilton St.  <b>2019 Scream on the Green 5K Road Race!</b> 4:30 p.m. Taunton Green 
27	28	29 <b>Cooking Matters</b> 9:00 a.m. RW	30	31 <b>Trading Post Open!</b> Barnum Building 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.		

**Remember to TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR - Sunday November 3rd!**

## October is #headstartawareness Month!



HEAD START

October was first proclaimed **Head Start Awareness Month** by President Ronald Reagan on October 22, 1982. Ever since, October has been a month for Head Starts across the country to celebrate the life changing impact of Head Start. Head Start began in 1965 by President Lyndon B. Johnson to provide comprehensive health, nutrition and education services to children living in poverty. Over the last 53 years (and 33+ million children later) the Head Start Model has been built on evidence-based practices and is constantly adapting - using the best available science and teaching techniques to meet the needs of local communities. Each year, more than 1 million children, families and pregnant women are served by Head Start. Make sure you 'like' our Triumph, Inc. page on Facebook - we will be posting Head Start facts and photos using the hashtag #headstartawareness all month long.

# News . . .

## Getting Involved!

Recruitment for the 2019-2020 Policy Council is in full swing! Being a part of Policy Council is one of the most important ways you as parents, grandparents and caregivers can contribute and be part of the decision making process to ensure best practices for Triumph, Inc.

Policy Council is made up of current and past Head Start/Early Head Start parents and community members who meet monthly (generally on the 2nd Tuesday) to review and make decisions about programming, funding and staffing.

Dinner is provided and child care and transportation are available. If you're interested in being a member, contact your Family Engagement Specialist or Home Visitor for a copy of the Statement of Intent form. Once this is filled out, return it to your child's teacher. We will have ballots going out for those seeking to be part of the Policy Council over the next few of weeks. For additional information, please call Rita Celia 508.822.5388 x137



HEAD START

### Upcoming School Closings for October and November

Monday, October 14	School Closed, Columbus Day
Monday, November 11	School Closed, Veteran's Day
Thursday, November 28	School Closed, Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 29	School Closed, Day After Thanksgiving

## Health & Nutrition

Preschool hearing and vision screenings are wrapping up. If you received a results letter and have questions about your child's screening, please reach out to your center nurse. The Quinn Center nurse is Lynda Earley 508.823.4710 x1325 and the Riverway/Fay's Place nurse is Tayla Roberts 508.822.5388 x120

## Transportation

### Safety Tips to Remember!!



## Holidays and Celebrations

All foods offered to children while at school must be prepared and/or approved by our Pediatric Health and Safety Manager. Foods not part of the programs food service are prohibited from classrooms. Please do not send your child to school with outside food or food from home, this includes candy and cake. We understand holidays, religious activities and birthdays are an important part of family life, however, we serve a very diverse population with many different backgrounds and traditions. In order no child or family feels their background or tradition is less important than anyone else's, our classrooms cannot observe religious or cultural holidays during classroom or group socialization times. Triumph does not conduct holiday or child celebrations including, but not limited to: holiday parties, Valentine exchanges, Halloween costume parties or birthday parties. Instead, we do celebrate seasonal changes that take place during the year. When children initiate discussions or when children direct activities, teachers and staff will follow the child's lead.



Leave at the same time every day to meet the bus. It's best to be early. Always have your picture i.d. ready in hand

1. Keep your child safe by keeping him/her on the sidewalk away from traffic while waiting for the bus
2. When you see the bus pulling up, stand back away from the curb and say your good-byes. Keep all food, drinks and toys with you. Children CANNOT bring these items onto the bus
3. Explain to your child to:
  - ⇒ Always wait for a bus to come to a complete stop before approaching it
  - ⇒ Watch for yellow lights on the top of the bus and see them change over to red
  - ⇒ Wait for the bus driver to signal it's safe to board the bus
5. If you need to cross the street, always cross 10 giant steps in FRONT of the bus (about 10 feet). NEVER CROSS THE STREET BEHIND A BUS. Make sure all traffic has stopped. Look at the bus driver for a 'thumbs-up' signal. Look both ways; it will then be safe for you to cross

## Parent Committee

This month's Parent Committee meeting will feature a presentation by our Child and Family Development Specialist who will be talking to parents about children's screenings, school readiness skills and their social/emotional wellness. All Parents are welcome.

Fay's Place - Tues. 10/15 9 a.m.  
Quinn Center - Wed. 10/16 9 a.m.  
Riverway - Thurs. 10/17 9 a.m.

Light refreshments and community resources available!

## We're Social!

Triumph, Inc. and Triumph, Inc. CFCE (state program) are on social media. Make sure to 'like' and 'follow' us for current happenings at our centers and in the community.

Facebook = @triumphinc and @triumphcfcetaunton

Instagram = @triumphtaunton

Twitter = @TriumphHeadstart (only 1 HI!)

