

Program Speakers

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Helping Students Thrive in an Age of Anxiety

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Ellen Flannery-Schroeder, Ph.D., ABPP graduated from Franklin and Marshall College, received her M.A. from Connecticut College and Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Temple University.

Dr. Flannery-Schroeder's areas of research and clinical expertise include anxiety disorders in children; efficacy of cognitive-behavioral treatment and prevention programs for children at risk for anxiety; as well as the role of family factors in the onset and maintenance of childhood anxiety.

Dr. Flannery-Schroeder also directs the outpatient Child Anxiety Program in the Psychological Consultation Center at URI and serves as Co-Director of the New England Center for Anxiety, Westerly, RI.

Healthy Bodies & Happy Minds: Wellness Specialty School

Sharon Martin

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Sharon Martin is a 1993 graduate of the University of Rhode Island School of Education. She earned a Masters in Administration from Rhode Island College in 2004.

Sharon was a K-8 teacher and math coach for 20 years before moving into her current position as Principal of Richmond Elementary School in 2012. She also serves as an active and enthusiastic member of Chariho's Wellness Committee.

Data & Action, Risks & Protective Factors

Jacqueline Ash, Ed.D.

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Dr. Ash has been involved in the education system in Rhode Island for over 30 years. She earned her Masters in Teaching and a second Masters in Education from Manhattanville College. She went on to Johnson & Wales University where she earned her Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership, as well as her CAGS, Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies.

She has taught and served as a school administrator at all levels, from elementary to middle to high school. She has tirelessly focused on implementing her teaching philosophy that the social and emotional well-being of students drives student performance.

Adolescent Sexual Health

Philip Chan, MD

Medical Director, The Rhode Island STD Clinic at The Miriam Hospital Immunology Center Consultant Medical Director, Center for HIV, Hepatitis, STDs, and TB Epidemiology, RI Department of Health Philip.Chan@health.ri.gov

Philip A. Chan, M.D., M.S., is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine and School of Public Health at Brown University and physician in HIV and infectious diseases at The Miriam Hospital Immunology Center in Providence. Dr. Chan is medical director of the Rhode Island STD Clinic located at The Miriam Hospital Immunology Center which offers comprehensive testing for HIV and other STDs and he also runs the pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) program at the clinic.

In addition to his positions at Brown and The Miriam Hospital, Dr. Chan also serves as Consultant Medical Director for the Rhode Island Department of Health Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STDs, and TB.

Vaping, E-Cigs & JUULs - Know the Risks

Marcella Bianco

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Marcella Bianco is the Program Manager for the CATCH My Breath Youth E-Cigarette and JUUL Prevention Program and is responsible for managing and disseminating the Program in states across the Nation. With over 14 years of working in tobacco prevention and control, Marcella has a passion to keep kids healthy and nicotine free.

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