

MOUNT PLEASANT EARLY COLLEGE & CAREER TEACHER ACADEMY



Teacher Academy at R.I.C.



🍎 *Teacher Academy juniors visited Rhode Island College to get their ID cards made at the Student ID Center. Students are enrolled in the Foundations of Education course (FNED 101) and some are in the College Readiness course (COLL 125) through the Early Enrollment Program. Thank you to the Technology and Systems Administrator, Dennis Sousa, for his assistance in accommodating our large group of students and also for the wonderful “swag” he gave us! The RIC facilities are accessible to students with the use of*



their RIC ID cards. After receiving their cards, students took a brief tour of the campus, noting the available resources such as the writing center, athletic center, Adam's Library the, Student Union, Donovan Dining, Horace Mann, and Robert's Hall.



L4L Presentation: Adam's Library

🍎 *The brief campus tour ended at the Learning 4 Life Center where students were given a presentation by Director, Daniel Reyes. As a former graduate of Mount Pleasant High School, Mr. Reyes was able to make relevant connections to our students. Students learned from his educational journey that first generation college students can be successful through various pathways. He highlighted the services that Rhode Island College offers through the Learning 4 Life Center and the importance of being your own advocate. Many thanks are extended to Mr. Reyes for making our visit such a success!*



SCHOOL SPIRIT

Teacher Academy Students Celebrate Homecoming at Conley Stadium

🍎 *Teacher academy students participated in Mount Pleasant High School Homecoming through either playing in the band, singing in the chorus, or cheering on their classmates. Some students were chosen to compete in the Clash of the Classes competitions. Kiltie pride was displayed as we celebrated our students who represent Mount Pleasant High School on various sports teams. **GO KILTIES!!!!***



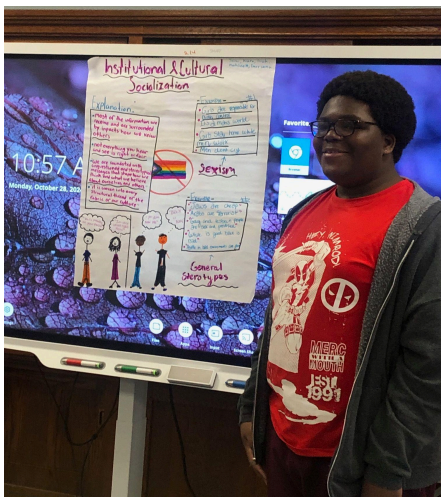
Teacher Academy Upperclass

🍎 *Teacher Academy seniors are awaiting correspondences from educational and government officials regarding their personally chosen educational issues; officials include administrators, Mayor Smiley, Governor McKee, Commissioner Infante Greene, and Superintendent Dr. Montenez. After conducting preliminary research, students wrote letters which included questions based on their research of educational changes to gather information which will help to deepen their understanding of the current education system. Topics include school safety, mental health classes, dress code, student rights, homework, attendance, and the impact of technology on student achievement. This research project will be added to their senior Teacher Academy Portfolio.*




🍎 *Teacher Academy juniors worked together to analyze various readings focusing on the topic of systemic social injustice. Bobbie Harro's "Cycle of Socialization" was the focus of a collaborative effort to synthesize the presented information and look at the process through a personalized lens. Class discussions revolved around our preconceptions of those who are different from ourselves, how and why we view others as we do, and how we believe others perceive us based on our physical appearance,*

gender, race, and religious beliefs. The results of cultural and institutional bias were examined as well as the results of these misconceptions and actions that can be taken to break this cycle. Students discussed the idea that each level of the cycle is rooted in the core which is filled with fear, insecurity, societal myths and misinformation.



Teacher Academy Freshmen

 *Teacher Academy freshmen are learning about the fundamentals of teaching. Presentation skills are an integral part of teaching; as a result, students are creating their own Community Building lessons and practicing their teaching skills by teaching these mini-lessons to their peers. As they present their lessons, students focus on voice projection, posture, language, pace, and engagement. Students give and receive critical feedback to use for reflection and growth as they continue to practice their craft.*

Upcoming Academy Events

-  *Parapro Assessment - Date TBD*
-  *School Choice Fair at PCTA - December*
-  *CPR/AED First Aid Training*
-  *Rhode Island Early Learning Developmental Standards Training - January*
-  *Senior Internship/ Action Research - February*
-  *Boston Aquarium Field Trip - April 24th, Rain date April 25th*
-  *Senior Exit Portfolio Presentation Requirement - May*
-  *Academy Certificate Award Ceremony- May*
-  *Senior Visit to Bristol Colt State Park - May*