A CITYWIDE APPROACH TO BUILDING SUSTAINABLE, HIGH-QUALITY, OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL-AGED YOUTH.

THE HUB IS THE HIGH SCHOOL INITIATIVE OF THE

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Institute for the Study & Practice of Nonviolence
New Urban Arts
Everett Dance Theater/Carriage House
PrYSM
Steel Yard
Young Voices
Youth in Action
Youth Pride, Inc.
3 Strategies

Space
Web Tool
Policy
Online Benefit
Strengthens Youth-Youth, Youth-Providers relationships by delivering information via multiple channels and providing them with a platform to extend their messaging and reach.

What They Like
- myspace
- YouTube
- AIM
- Text Alerts
- How-to instructional videos
- Friend reminders and alerts
- Links to discussion forums
- View gallery of people you know pics
- Program Vid Samplers
- Publish videos, self-portfolios
- Create/review blogs specific to OST activities
- Facility Capacity Manager
- Career simulator
- Games with job leads
- View live events
get involved

Activities Mapper
Search for activities based on any of the following options:
- Programs, Events & Organizations
- Events
- Programs
- Organizations

find an activity

About The Hub
“A new landscape of opportunity.”

The goal of The Hub, and HubProvidence.org, is to serve as a marketplace where high school-aged youth can connect with all opportunities and support services where program providers can connect to youth.

Included in the goal are four main objectives:
- Foster 21st century skills and knowledge
- Improve ability of youth to become prepared, self-actualized adults
- Ensure access via multiple touch points
- Help build the quality, diversity, and capacity of opportunities—existing and new
Policy

Graduation Credit for Expanded Learning Opportunities

Transportation
Expanding and enhancing school learning beyond school walls and hours for graduation credit.

Providing a model pairing afterschool, community educators with school.
What happens when a youth-driven initiative needs a logo?
National Models

New Hampshire

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- Can’t limit number of courses or credits earned
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  - Academic and career-tech
  - More than one area content
  - Secondary and post-secondary
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Ohio

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PASA/PPSD Results

• Joint Planning Process. With PPSD/Hub leadership, principals, teachers, union reps, students and community providers, the ELO team crafted an implementation plan to provide graduation credit for learning outside of school.

• Providing policies and a model. The Hub is partnering with the Providence Academy of International Affairs to provide a Web Design project for credit. Plan USA is another community partner.

• Building tools for implementation.

• Received additional Nellie Mae funding.
Gaps/Challenges

• School credit policies that are narrow in scope.
• Bridging school and community philosophies and objectives.
• Community-based rigor aligned with school standards.
• Buy-in.
Next Steps

• Assessing and learning from the model.

• Codifying the policy.

• Realistic expansion plan:
  – Inclusion of more OST partners;
  – Professional development.
New Hub Partners and Growth

- Campus Compact
- Youth 4 Change
- Reagent
- LISC
- RIPTA
- SchwaDesign
- Youth In Action
- Cutler and Company
- Brown University College Guides
- Brown University Engineers Without Borders
- PPSD
- Generation Citizen

- Providence College
- BearPaw Tutors
- Bryant University
- Johnson and Wales
- Rhode Island College
- RISD
- MAKE Magazine
- LeftBrain
- Rhode Island Environmental Justice League
- Ashoka’s Youth Venture
- Juanita Sanchez Educational Complex
- And many individual mentors including music producers, graphic designers, film-makers, entrepreneurs and more!
The Hub Advisory Council

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  - RI Department of Health
- Maryellen Butke
  - RI-CAN
- Joseph Cammarano
  - Providence College
- Beth Cunha
  - Travelling Theater
- Andy Cutler
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More to come...