



Educate the Child, Engage the Family, Empower the Community

Dear Friend,

It has been a fantastic Summer and it will be an even better school year! With Promise Neighborhood joining the Peter Paul family of programs, we are streamlining communications through one monthly e-newsletter. We hope you enjoy this joint e-newsletter and celebrate with all of us the coming school year.

Back-to-School Block Party!

To celebrate the new addition of Promise Neighborhood and a brand new school year, we are throwing a block party for the East End and YOU and your family are invited.

On **Saturday, September 6, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm**, the street in front of Peter Paul will be filled with:

- * Grilled Food
- * Great Music and Dancing
- * Family Activities
- * Flu Vaccinations (w/ ID and proof of insurance)
- * Back to School Resources
- * East End families

Come out with us to welcome the new school year and the newest member of the Peter Paul family. Click [here](#) to see an event flyer.

Contact Michael at 757-784-8669 or mparsons@rvapromise.org to learn how you can volunteer or support this event.



Summer Promise 2014 Wraps Up

Our Summer Promise program was filled with hands-on activities, wonderful learning opportunities, and unique experiences that students will be talking about all school-year.

Participants boosted their academic skills with the *Engineering is Elementary* and *Engineering Everywhere* curricula. Classes explored the mechanics of bubbles, designed and created structures, and explored green engineering by creating insulated homes.

Children learned the benefits of healthy eating and nutrition with the Organwise Guys program through the Virginia Cooperative Extension. PPDC's annual Clare's Camp exposed children to various cultures from around the world through guest speakers, arts and crafts, and games.



Middle school students participated in career shadowing. Several host sites were gracious enough to allow students to shadow employees, including Kutak Rock LLP, Health Diagnostic Lab, and Hunton & Williams LLP. Students had an amazing time and have a better understanding of their hopeful careers.

Thank You to Our Supporters

We are sending out a big thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers, partners, and corporate groups who made Summer Promise 2014 such a success. We would not have had such a dynamic, educational and enriching program without the support of so many people and organizations. Thank you for helping us put a smile on these kids' faces!



The students are ready for the 2014-2015 academic year - our deepest thanks to all who have given them the tools and supplies they need to be successful!

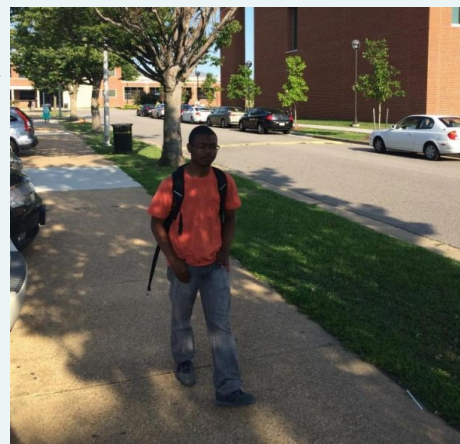
Off to College!

We are so proud of all five of this year's Peter Paul program graduates! As you read this, three students attending four-year colleges are settling into their college campuses and starting the next phase of their journey.

Taylor is attending Ferrum College in Ferrum, Virginia

Damon is attending James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia

Isaiah (pictured right, walking to the library) is attending Norfolk State University in Norfolk, Virginia



We are so excited to announce that Promise Neighborhood is joining the Peter Paul Development Center family of programs.



Peter Paul, the oldest continually operating community center in the East End, runs an academically-focused after school program with the highest expectations for our students. Promise Neighborhood is a collaborative group of East End community members - residents, schools, and providers - working side-by-side and hand-in-hand to improve the education and development of children and youth in the East End.

We all understand that for a child to be successful, the family and the entire community must succeed. The launch of Promise Neighborhood at Peter Paul enables us to better engage local families and lays the foundation for the empowerment of the East End

community.

If you can **volunteer** your time, we have a job for you; if you can **partner**, there is a position for you; if you can **invest** in our kids and our community, we can guarantee the highest return.

There is a role for everyone.

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Let's get to work.

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