AfterZone Scholars school year program



Building upon the success of the Providence After School Alliance (PASA)'s Summer Scholars Program, the Providence Public School District invited PASA to help design an expanded learning model with Roger Williams middle school, a federally mandated turnaround school.

Through this unique pilot initiative, two classes of targeted youth participate for an extra hour during the school day in the AfterZone Scholars—educational programs that combine academics with high-quality inquiry-based, hands-on learning.

As with the summer model, this 7th period class is co-taught by a generalist teacher and community educators from Save the Bay and the Audubon Society of Rhode Island, supported by pre-service teachers through a PASA AmeriCorps program, and blends intensive off-campus field learning experiences twice each week with related academic student projects, culminating in a year-end showcase of what has been learned.