



August 2024 Newsletter

"All of us in the academy and in the culture as a whole are called to renew our minds if we are to transform educational institutions--and society -- so that the way we live, teach, and work can reflect our joy in cultural diversity, our passion for justice, and our love of freedom." - Bell Hooks



Volunteers Needed!

EBPS - Curriculum Nights or Open House

Volunteers needed for our Information table to share our Mission/Vision, highlight co-sponsor of Brazilian Beats and Darius Coombs, Wampanoag Education Coordinator Lecture, Auschwitz Exhibit as well as 2024-2025 meeting dates with families

- August 27 (5-7pm) - Central School
- September 4 (5-6pm) - Gordon Mitchell School
- September 5 (5-7pm) - EBJSHS

Join EBCCC: EBCCC is looking for more board members and volunteers. If you are interested in finding out more information, please send us an email! Our next meeting is





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via Zoom TBD. Please email us at ebcc4change@gmail.com if you are interested in attending and we will provide you with an agenda and a link!

Partnership with East Bridgewater Public School System: We have partnered with EB Public Schools to build antiracist ideas, stop homophobia, and promote inclusion for all. There is currently a Unity Club at the JSHS that was student started and has approximately 50 members. We are looking forward to working with this club on our shared vision and future events! Current [Open Positions](#) at EBPS

Grants: We recently received the Grassroots Grow Award of \$3400! If you know of any grants that would help grow EBCCC's mission, please let us know!

Share your ideas: Have an idea for EBCCC? We are looking for ideas for future fundraisers, events, and educational opportunities! Please email us with any ideas to help move our mission forward

Our website: <https://communitycoalitionforchange.com/>

Contact us: ebcc4change@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EBCommunityCoalitionforChange>

Instagram Handle: [ebcc4change](#)

Upcoming Local Events!

Bees and Wasps: 7pm on August 6th join Blake Dinius from Plymouth County Extension will present on bees and wasps at the EBPL.

Oncology Yoga: Join us at 10am on August 17th at the EBPL for a free specialized yoga practice open to everyone who has been touched by cancer. A special invitation is extended to caregivers and health care professionals. This program is for people 12+. Space is limited and registration is required.

Creating Pollinator Habitats Anywhere: On Monday, August 19th at 2pm at the East Bridgewater Public Library find out about Creating Pollinator Habitats Anywhere. Join Master Gardener Denise Guérin for an engaging lecture in the Community Room geared towards Adults. We talk about the importance of habitat, what it is, and how to create and maintain some inviting habitat for pollinators just about anywhere at all!



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Specifically, the presentation illustrates successful pollinator habitats created in places as different as suburban gardens to apartment decks, and small urban yards and patios to parking lot “hell strips.” This is a drop-in program. Registration is not required.

[Beyond Boundaries: Uniting Families in the Understanding of Autism](#): Dive into the vibrant world of autism with our upcoming workshop on Tuesday, August 20 at 6pm at the East Bridgewater Public Library focused on Autism Color Club Books. Discover invaluable insights, strategies, and resources to better understand and support individuals on the spectrum. Join us as we explore the power of colors and storytelling in enhancing communication and fostering connection. Don't miss out on this opportunity to gain knowledge and tools that can make a meaningful difference in your journey.

Registration is required and will open on 7/23

[Spanish Summer Intensive for Kids \(ages 5 through 9\)](#): There will be a Spanish Summer Intensive drop-off class for children ages 5 through 9 from Monday, August 26 through Thursday, August 29 from 9:30am to noon each day at 421 High Street in Bridgewater, the home of Tess Cruz. The cost is \$150 and a drink and lunch needs to be brought with each child. Students learn and practice Spanish through songs, games, and play. All levels welcome. Venmo @Brave-Space to reserve your spot. Questions - please contact Tess Cruz at mybravespace@gmail.com

[Town Event Calendar Link](#)

[EBPL Event Calendar Link](#)



August is National Black Business Month

“The history of Black Business Month can be traced back to the year 2004, when engineering entrepreneur Frederick E. Jordan partnered with the president and executive editor of the scholarly publishing company eAccess Corp,’ John William Templeton, to start this annual event. The intention of the pair was to “drive the policy agenda affecting the 2.6 million African-American businesses,” in order to highlight and empower Black business owners all over, especially given the unique challenges faced by minority business owners. This stemmed from Jordan’s own personal experience of the struggle to gain financial backing and funding when he began his own firm in San Francisco in 1969.” - <https://nationaltoday.com/black-business-month/>

This month consider supporting local black owned businesses:

- <https://bondijclothing.com/> - Online clothing boutique
- <https://brownandcoconut.com/> - Boston based skin care
- <https://www.destinyafricanmarket.com/> - African foods and goods



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- <https://www.cremedeliqueur.com/> - Liquor infused ice cream
- <https://www.facebook.com/OasisVeganVeggieParlor/> - Vegan cafe
- <https://www.dudleycafe.com/> - Cafe

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