



# THE BORO PROGRAM

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### Unique Learning Update



#### What We Learned in February...

This month BORO students learned about the importance of using appropriate social skills when interacting with different people in Unique Learning's "Respectful Relationships" unit. As we assist our young adults in the transition from school to work, it is necessary that they receive training in navigating a variety of relationships. This unit focused on how each relationship has different rules and social expectations and how our behaviors should reflect this. The unit also emphasized the importance of respectfully interacting with people who are different from ourselves.

Unique Learning's regularly provided monthly lessons offer the opportunity to practice respectful interactions and appropriate social skills in various daily life situations. Banking and budgeting lessons support the practical application of math concepts and introduce basic concepts related to credit cards. Daily living skills involved in cooking are part of a regular monthly lesson offering five recipes where our young adults can apply appropriate social skills to work together to make different meal items. Social and communication skills are the focus of lessons presenting daily social trivia scenarios, offering more opportunity for our young adults to troubleshoot common problems involving relationships with others.

As always, February's unit also focused on Employment. We explored different jobs, read job ads, completed job applications and practiced interview skills. Simple, realistic scenarios addressed job skills and interactions at work. The final lesson highlighted volunteering as a way to practice job skills and gain practical work experience.

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### Classes at the Hopkinton Center for the Arts



This month BORO students began weekly classes at the Hopkinton Center for the Arts along with our friends from the Hopkinton and Holliston 18-22 Programs. Thanks to a grant received by the HCA, our students will enjoy classes in visual arts and dance this year, next year, and hopefully beyond!



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### February Fun!



Fun & Games in Framingham with our WHS Friends



Visits from friends from Oxford and Algonquin



Delivering Sugar Shack Valentine goodies to other schools in the District



**BE SWEET • GIVE SWEETS**

Easter is Coming!




**PHOTOS WITH THE EASTER BUNNY**  
SUNDAY, 4/10/22 NOON-4:00



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## *February Awareness...*

Turner Syndrome Awareness

Rare Disease Day- February 28th

## *BORO Families...*

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**3/8/22**

**No School- Staff Professional Day**

**4/10/22**

**Easter Bunny Photos @ the Sugar Shack**

### **BORO PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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