



NEWS & NOTES

PROVIDING HELP FOR THOSE WITH AUTISM
AND HOPE FOR THEIR FAMILIES

A Letter from the President

It has been an exciting Spring at Nashoba Learning Group! The students and adults we serve are benefiting from the initiatives put in place last year to provide competitive salary and benefits to our hardworking staff, allowing us to reduce attrition significantly and allow staff to access graduate study for the benefit of our students. This allows us to continue to offer high quality services that focus on each person as an individual, with unique strengths, challenges and desires. Doing so requires outstanding Clinicians and excellent, highly trained staff. We are pleased with our progress in being the best place for the best staff to work!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING FLING

May 10, 2024 - 6PM - 9PM

Crowne Plaza - Woburn

PROFOUND AUTISM 5K WALK & RUN ADVENTURE AT THE ZOO

June 2, 2024 - 8AM - 1PM

Franklin Park Zoo - Boston

BIKE-A-THON

July 21, 2024

FISHIN WITH A MISSION

August 4, 2024

Mystic Wellington Yacht Club

GIVE THEM WINGS - AUCTION

November 2, 2024

Charter Oak Country Club -

Hudson, MA

Questions?

events@nashobalearninggroup.org

Our success in staffing has allowed us to get to full census at our School and to offer services to the young adults who graduated from our school and were awaiting admission to our Adult Program. We are now primarily constrained by space. We are seeking additional space and are evaluating several options. We look forward to updating you as things develop!

We are excited by the success of our new initiatives! Our Profound Autism Summit, with an amazing lineup of speakers, attracted 561 participants and amazing sponsors! It also served as the launch pad for Profound Village, an online community providing support and information to individuals with Profound Autism and their families and treatment teams. See more inside!

We are looking forward to our Profound Autism 5k Walk and Run, Adventure at the Zoo, on June 2nd at the Franklin Park Zoo! We encourage you to share the registration information with your friends and family. We hope to see you all at this community event that the whole family can enjoy together!

Spring also brings our Annual Fund drive! Thank you for your support as we work to deliver on our mission and enable those we serve to reach their full potential. The economy remains challenging, and navigating costs that rise faster than the funding we receive is an ongoing issue. Thank you for your continued support during our Annual Fund drive and at our upcoming events.

We have been happy to host events to bring together our community. In addition to the Summit, events so far have included the 23rd Full Court Charity Challenge Basketball Tournament hosted by Bob and Karen Forlenza, and events for new families and Adult Program families. In addition to the 5k, we are excited to host our 23rd Bike-a-thon on July 21st. I hope you will join us!

Thank you for allowing us to help those who need us! On behalf of our staff and the amazing individuals that we serve, thank you for your support!

Liz Martineau

Liz Martineau, President and CEO



PROFOUND AUTISM 5K WALK & RUN ADVENTURE AT THE ZOO!

Come join us for the Profound Autism 5k Walk and Run Adventure at the Zoo!

We are excited to be at the beautiful Franklin Park Zoo, in Boston, MA! Our course is entirely within the Zoo. A quarter mile inclusive Fun Run will kick off our event, followed by the 5k run or walk. This 5k course is two laps, allowing walkers the ability to opt for a shorter or full length experience. The 5K run will include awards for top finishers by category.

REGISTER NOW!

Profound Autism
5K
Walk & Run Adventure
at the ZOO



JUNE 2ND AT FRANKLIN PARK ZOO

Join us on June 2, 2024, at Franklin Park Zoo, Boston, MA, as we come together for a day of fun and to support individuals with Profound Autism. All registrants will receive Zoo passes for the day!

Timeline:

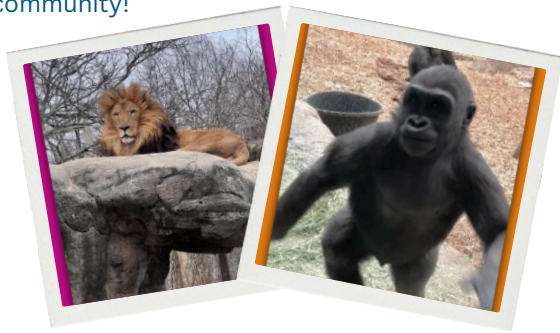
- 7:15 AM - 8:15 AM –Registration and Bib Pick-up (Nature’s Pavilion)
- 8:00 AM - Warm-up Activities
- 8:30 AM* – 0.25 mile Inclusive Fun Run for Kids
- 8:45 AM – 5K RACE STARTS - Runners
- 8:50 AM – Walkers Start
- (9:00 AM – Zoo Opens to Public)
- 10:00 AM – Awards Ceremony (Nature’s Pavilion)

*8:30 AM to 1:00 PM – Explore the Zoo and enjoy Family Fun Day with a variety of activities for all ages!

Whether you decide to join as part of a team or solo, as a volunteer, or as part of the cheer squad, we are so grateful for your support!

Our goal -- to help give those with Profound Autism the ability to achieve their full potential and to provide hope for their families -- would not be possible without you!

So come to walk or run and stay to enjoy the Zoo and time with the Profound Autism community!



To **Register, Donate** or **become a Sponsor**, please scan QR code above or visit: <https://nlg.rallybound.org/5k>

*All proceeds will benefit NLG!

BIKE-A-THON

Get in Gear and ride with us on Sunday, July 21, 2024 - Carlisle, MA.

This fun and casual ride is a great way to help support NLG!

Interested riders who would like to register to ride 25 or 50 miles with us, please email sara.robbins@nashobalearninggroup.org.



Scan to Support the Bike-a-thon!



100% of proceeds goes directly to Nashoba Learning Group to support those with Autism.

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PROFOUND AUTISM SUMMIT



The 1st Profound Autism Summit exceeded our expectations!

We had 561 participants from 35 states and 2 countries coming together to learn from our incredible lineup of speakers and each other.

We made a statement as a Profound Autism Community and together we will enhance services, funding, research, treatment and connection.



Thank you to all the organizations and individuals who sponsored the event and played a key part in its success, especially the Profound Autism Alliance.

We are already planning the next Summit!!



PROFOUND VILLAGE

Profound Village (profoundvillage.org) is our follow on to the Summit.

This online learning community will provide information, resources, and connection to members of the Profound Autism Community.

We already have several webinars scheduled, and Profound Village is where the talks from the Summit will be available.

Join us now at profoundvillage.org to be part of the conversation!

FULL COURT CHARITY CHALLENGE

The 23rd Full Court Charity Challenge was a great event and successful fundraiser with all proceeds benefiting Nashoba Learning Group and the Lurie Center.

Congratulations to the reigning champions Max's All Stars, winning the Open Division this year and to team Brickhouse, winning the Corporate Division!



What a truly inspiring day for all who attended!



[Max's All Stars - Open Division Champions]



[Brickhouse - Corporate Division Champions]

*Thank you Bob and Karen Forlenga,
and all the sponsors and players!*





10 Oak Park Drive
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SOLAR ECLIPSE



Students were thrilled to witness the awe-inspiring solar eclipse.

Equipped with safety glasses and curiosity, they observed the celestial phenomenon.

It was a moment of scientific wonder and educational excitement that will be remembered for years to come!

ANNUAL FUND

At Nashoba Learning Group, our goal is to be the best at serving those with Profound Autism or other complex needs, by being the best place to work for staff who are inspired by our mission and committed to excellence.

Donations to NLG's Annual Fund allow us to invest in staff recruiting, training, and retention – critical costs which are not fully funded by the tuition and payments we receive.

We cannot do this important work without your support. Please give as generously as you can!

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make a gift today!*

