



The Greene School  
A public charter high school  
An Expeditionary Learning School

## PROSPECTUS

### Why Rhode Island needs The Greene School

- Our students deserve rigorous public schools and experiential learning models to prepare for 21<sup>st</sup> century workplaces and social challenges.
- Our state and nation need innovative and ethical leaders and environmental stewards.
- While our state is gifted in abundant natural resources, few public schools embrace the environment as a laboratory for learning.
- Studies show that much of our environmental awareness forms during adolescence.
- RI ranks 26<sup>th</sup> in the nation by only graduating 72% of high school students on time.
- There are already over 2,000 students in RI on the waiting lists for public charter schools.

### The Greene School at a Glance

- It is a tuition-free public charter high school.
- Will start with 84 students in grades 9 and 10, and then grow to serve 210 students in grades 9-12.
- Students will be selected statewide by lottery.
- The school will be located on a temporary site near the W. Alton Jones Campus of URI.
- Design and build a green building on land to be leased on the W. Alton Jones Campus.

### Timeline

June 2009	Received preliminary approval from Board of Regents
Oct 2009	Received planning funding from US Dept. of Education and RI Foundation

2009-2010	Secure funding for enrichment of our school programs, transportation, and planning our permanent site.
June 2010	Secured final charter approval from Board of Regents
Jun –Aug 2010	Recruit faculty. Enroll grades 9 & 10
Sept 1, 2010	OPEN SCHOOL
2011 -12	Add grade 11
2012-13	Add grade 12

### Our high achievement school design

- The school will use the proven student achievement practices of nationally acclaimed Expeditionary Learning Schools Outward Bound (ELS).
- Students learn through direct experiences with environmental science and technology.
- Students will experience intensive interdisciplinary classroom study and extensive fieldwork.
- Students will attain high academic achievement through long-term, real world investigations using authentic projects, fieldwork and service to the community.
- Students will master core subjects including literacy and English language arts, math, science, social studies, world languages and the arts.
- Our goal is to meet the ELS standard of 100% of graduates bound for college.



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## CAMPAIGN TO LAUNCH THE GREENE SCHOOL

In October 2009, The Greene School was awarded a highly competitive \$615,355 planning grant from the US Department of Education, payable over three years. We also received \$30,000 from the Rhode Island Foundation for school design. In May of 2010 we received a \$50,000 grant from the Forrest and Frances Lattner Foundation to purchase a biodiesel school bus.

While we are extremely excited to receive these grants, we still need to raise \$250,000 to assist in providing transportation of our urban students, to provide enrichment programs, and to start planning our future green building:

Gifts needed:		
Annual Pledge	Two Year Total	# of Givers
\$10,000	\$20,000	1-2
\$5,000	\$10,000	5
\$2,500	\$5,000	10
\$1,250	\$2,500	17
\$500	\$1,000	26
\$375	\$750	27
\$250	\$500	30
\$125	\$250	75
\$50	\$100	75
<b>Total givers</b>		<b>266</b>

### Ways of giving

- Checks payable to "The Greene School"
- Appreciated securities
- Any items on our wish list
- Online [www.thegreeneschool.org](http://www.thegreeneschool.org)

*The Greene School is a 501(c)3 public charity. Your gifts to The Greene School are tax-deductible*

### Other ways you can help us launch The Greene School

#### • Committee Volunteers

We are looking for individuals willing to put in significant work to launch the school. We need talented and dedicated volunteers to work on self-managing teams in the following areas:

- School design
- Finance and administration
- Fundraising

#### • Fundraising

There are many ways you can help us reach our campaign goals.

- Introduce us to potential donors who you think would be excited at the idea of The Greene School and might like to support our efforts.
- Host an information session to introduce the school to your family, friends or neighbors.
- Make a one or two year commitment yourself.
- Help us get donations of supplies, vehicles, equipment and other items.

#### • Prospective Students

If you know a student who might be interested in enrolling in The Greene School, we'd love to hear from you.

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