



# JUDGE ROTENBERG CENTER

*A behavioral school for children and adults....*

## Newsletter

### Summer 2013

#### From the Director's Desk

The Judge Rotenberg Center (JRC) continues to grow with our current population at 240 students! As JRC celebrates its 42nd year serving both Developmentally Delayed and Emotionally Disturbed students, we renew our commitment to helping these individuals learn and live to their fullest potential.

JRC's mission is to provide a nurturing environment where students with varied diagnoses and cognitive levels can feel safe and secure, make friends, feel loved and finally, after years of struggles, really begin to learn. JRC's

highly structured behavioral, educational and vocational program, along with JRC's unparalleled reward system, gives the students and clients what they need to succeed and expand their horizons as they never have before.

JRC students continue to enjoy many fun activities such as school parties, field trips, cooking classes, and a video production class. A new Job Coach now oversees our vocational program. This has resulted in tremendous positive feedback from the students and the community. Some students have volunteered at the Food Pantry and a local church, and others at a local day care. They have also recently

organized another Bake Sale to aid in the relief to the Boston Marathon bombing victims.

In the next several weeks, JRC will be unveiling our new web site. Our hope is that it will be informative, along with being easy to navigate. Your feedback would be greatly appreciated. If you have not visited our school, or would like to again, we invite you to stop by for a tour and see first hand what our students, parents and staff are so proud of.

Glenda P. Crookes  
Executive Director



JRC is a year-round special education school successfully serving children and adults with a wide range of disabilities for over 42 years.

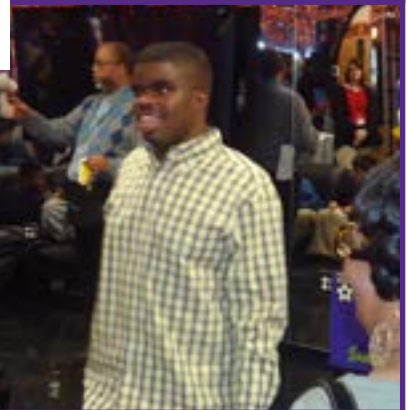
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## Special Features of the Judge Rotenberg Center:

- Near-zero rejection/expulsion policy
- Minimizes psychotropic medication
- Open door visiting policy
- Serves students with varied diagnoses & cognitive levels
- Highly consistent behavior modification program
- Unparalleled reward system
- Behavioral counseling
- Digital monitoring system
- A rich variety of after-school activities
- Beautiful residences



# Spotlight On

## JRC-Created Self-Instructional Software

One of the key elements in our education program is the use of behaviorally-designed, self-teaching software that makes use of the technologies known as Programmed Instruction and Precision Teaching. The software allows students of all levels to learn skills at his/her own pace with the use of a computer. Using such software, students can be working on different subjects at the same time or at different levels within the same subject, all within the same classroom.



## One to One Instruction

Students, who may lack certain daily living skills, receive one-to-one instruction in many different areas such as tying one's shoes, washing hands correctly, or buttoning and unbuttoning a shirt properly.



## Vocational Training

At JRC a number of independent living and job-related skills are taught, i.e. typing, resume-writing, interview skills, balancing bank accounts, writing checks, budgeting and paying bills. Some JRC students attend Vocational Training courses that are offered at Blue Hills Regional Vocational-Technical School. These include auto mechanics, culinary arts, small engine repair, and graphic arts. JRC helps students obtain competitive employment in the community when ready. Some students also attend classes at Massasoit Community College.





# What's New At JRC



Dance Parties



JRC volunteers at a local church...

...and a food pantry.



David gets a job at a local market.



Students take a video production class at Stoughton Media Access Corp.

JRC's Girls Basketball Team

