

Grade 4 - The "Road" to Rhode Island

Roger Williams and Rhode Island History



This program focuses on the discovery and founding of what will become the 13th state of the union known as Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

Did you know that Roger Williams was able to speak Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Dutch and French? He became friends with the Native Americans and learned their languages, so he could talk to them, too!

The focus in this program is to learn about and discuss Roger Williams, his extraordinary biographical information, and his part in the founding of Rhode Island.

- Students will tour the Smith-Appleby House that is built on land given to the Smith Family by Roger Williams.
- Students will make a bookmark about the life of Roger Williams.
- Students will assemble a scroll documenting Rhode Island's "Firsts", Fun Facts, and the "crazy" laws still on Rhode Island books.

(Did you know The Big Blue Bug has a name???? It's Nibbles Woodaway!)

This is usually a half day program, but schools are welcome to have children bring bagged lunches to picnic outside and have an outdoor recess with 18th century outdoor games.



Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
July 8, 1683, to May, 1684